

March 9, 2021

CITY HALL  
C/O Mayor Tim Kabat  
400 La Crosse Street  
La Crosse, WI 54601

**RE: PFAS/Campbell**

Dear Mayor Kabat:

Once again, the Town of Campbell is asking the City of La Crosse to do the right thing to protect the health and safety of Town residents from PFAS contamination caused by the use of AFFF firefighting foam by La Crosse at its municipal airport.

Comprehensive reports show children and the elderly are most vulnerable to the effects of PFAS in drinking water. These groups comprise 2/3 of the population of town residents and they need to be taken care of.

The City's PFAS contamination has been detected in more than 120 private wells on French Island. There isn't a single private well which has been tested, showing a "non-detect" level, and many wells are still not tested.

The City has refused to provide safe drinking water to all Town residents after repeated requests.

There is no safe level of PFAS in drinking water that has been determined. Standards keep dropping, showing that risks are significant at lower and lower levels.

Untested residents are forced to continue to drink water with unknown levels of PFAS contamination without being provided a safe drinking water alternative.

Until all private wells are tested, we cannot assess the full magnitude of the contamination.

Since we do not have a single well test with a non-detect, the City of La Crosse must act on the basis that all private wells in the Town are considered contaminated with some level of PFAS, and protect people's health. Each day you do not act is more exposure for our townspeople.

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We are again asking the City of La Crosse to do the right thing:

Provide safe drinking water for all residents,  
Test each private well in the Town of Campbell,  
Provide safe water to Town municipal facilities,  
Share all testing that the City has with the Town,  
Collaborate with the Town of Campbell board to develop a permanent water solution  
which is most protective of human health.

You responded to our last letter with a press release. Please respond to us directly laying out your plan to have the City of La Crosse act as a responsible neighbor to the Town of Campbell.

Sincerely,

***Town of Campbell Board of Supervisors***

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