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The Honorable David B. Borge
Village of Hoosick Falls
Municipal Building
24 Main Street
Hoosick Falls, NY 12090

Dear Mayor Borge:

On May 19, 2016 NYSDOH collected samples from the Village Public Water supply to evaluate the on-going effectiveness of the interim carbon filter to remove perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA). Samples from between and after the two carbon filters, and from three locations within the distribution system were analyzed. The results from our laboratory show that the PFOA levels in all of these samples were below the reporting limit of 2 parts per trillion (ppt). A sample of water from before the treatment system (untreated water) shows a PFOA level of 447 parts per trillion (ppt). Also, attached are copies of the Wadsworth laboratory reports for these samples.

In summary, the results show that the GAC filters are effectively and consistently removing PFOA from the water and that the PFOA levels at locations in the Village distribution system are nondetectable.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Lloyd R Wilson, Ph.D.
Bureau of Water Supply Protection

Cc: R. Swider-NYSDOH
R. Elder-Rensselaer County Health
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PFOA Results (parts per trillion) from NYSDOH's April 21, 2016 Water Sampling

SAMPLE LOCATION	SAMPLE DATE	CONCENTRATION
Pre GAC Filter (untreated water)	5-19-2016	447
GAC – Between Filters	5-19-2016	<2
GAC Effluent (after both filters)	5-19-2016	<2
11 Water Works Road - DPW/Village Garage	5-19-2016	<2
24 Main Street - Village Hall	5-19-2016	<2