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Dear Mr. Bilott:

Thank you for your January 20, 2015 letter requesting that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency consider new health effects data to evaluate the 0.40 parts per billion (ppb) site-specific action level for perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) in EPA's 2009 consent order with DuPont's Washington Works Facility in West Virginia.

On February 28, 2014, EPA released a draft health effects document for PFOA for public comment and peer review: <https://peerreview.versar.com/epa/pfoa/>. When the document is finalized later this year a lifetime health advisory will be developed, which may replace our 2009 PFOA provisional (short-term) health advisory of 0.4 ppb. When that process is complete the action level established in the March 10, 2009 consent order between US EPA and DuPont may be re-evaluated.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have further questions, please contact Debra Klassman, Associate Regional Counsel, of my staff, at 312-886-6742, or Lori Kier, Senior Assistant Regional Counsel, of Mr. Garvin's staff in Region 3, at 215-814 2656.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "SH", written over a horizontal line.

Susan Hedman
Regional Administrator