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From: Commanding Officer, Naval Construction Battalion Center Gulfport

Subj: DRINKING WATER TEST RESULTS

The safety and health of all military and civilians and their families at Naval Construction Battalion Center Gulfport are my top priority. I am pleased to report that the installation's drinking water was tested for Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) and the results were below the method reporting limit and Perfluoroctanoic acid and Perfluoroctanoic sulfate were not detected.

The drinking water testing was conducted on 15 October 2020 in response to the March 2020 Secretary of Defense Policy for PFAS sampling in Department of Defense owned water systems. While PFAS are considered "emerging contaminants" for which there are no Safe Drinking Water Act regulatory standards, this routine testing helps ensure the safety and health of all our military and civilian personnel. The installation will sample and test the drinking water for PFAS again in three years to ensure our drinking water continues to meet the highest standards.

If you have any immediate concerns, please contact the Public Affairs Officer, Brian Lamar, at (228) 871-2699 or brian.lamar@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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