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From: Commanding Officer, Naval Air Station Jacksonville
To: Building Occupants

Subj: RELOCATABLE OVER-THE-HORIZON RADAR SITE, VIEQUES ISLAND,
PUERTO RICO PERFLUOROALKYL AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES
SAMPLING

1. The safety and health of our personnel at the Relocatable Over-the-Horizon Radar site, Vieques Island, Puerto Rico is our top priority. I am writing to inform you of the results of the drinking water testing conducted in Building 1 on 6 October 2020 in response to the March 2020 Secretary of Defense Policy for Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) sampling in Department of Defense-owned water systems.
2. By this letter, I am informing you that drinking water testing results identified 6 of the 18 PFAS compounds were detected above the method reporting limit (MRL) but that evidence of Perfluorooctanoic Acid and Perfluorooctanoic Sulfate in the building was below the levels set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency health advisory
3. In an effort to ensure the safety and health of our military and civilian personnel, Department of Defense policy requires this testing, despite PFAS being considered "emerging contaminants" for which there are no Safe Drinking Water Act regulatory standards. Based on the sampling results, the Navy will conduct one year of quarterly sampling and then bi-annually thereafter until all results are below the MRL.
4. If you have any immediate concerns, please contact Jens Sapin at (904) 542-6297 or Jens.Sapin@navy.mil.


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