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PFAS Taskforce Maine

RE: PFAS Draft Report must be stronger

Dear PFAS Taskforce Maine,

The draft report by the PFAS Task Force does not go far enough. I'm writing to call on the Taskforce to make this report stronger with four key changes.

First, we need a 1 ppt maximum contaminant level (MCL) for total PFAS. This is the only standard that could be truly health protective for Mainers exposed to these toxic chemicals.

Second, we must immediately stop the spreading of sludge-sourced compost. It's recently been discovered that this compost spread across farms and gardens in Maine is contaminated with PFAS, and we need to stop this ongoing contamination immediately.

Third, we must make clear that polluters must be held responsible for this contamination so the costs of cleanup and healthcare do not fall on our state or our neighbors.

Finally, I'm calling on you to extend the public comment period in this process to allow greater participation from people who are directly impacted by this contamination. This public comment period has been too short, especially with the holidays, to allow for meaningful participation.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Sincerely,  
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