WEST VIRGINIA CIRCUIT COURT --- WOOD COUNTY NOTICE OF MEDICAL MONITORING PROTOCOLS

September 2, 2014

THIS NOTICE CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT. READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY AND COMPLETELY. THE COURT-APPROVED SETTLEMENT GOVERNS THE LEGAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE SETTLING PARTIES AND IS NOT AMENDED BY ANYTHING SET FORTH IN THIS SUMMARY NOTICE.

Background: In February 2005, The Wood County Circuit Court in West Virginia approved a class action settlement ("the Settlement") between the Plaintiffs and E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Co. ("DuPont"), the defendant, in a civil class action lawsuit styled *Jack Leach, et al. v. E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Co., Civil Action No. 01-C-608* pending in the Circuit Court of Wood County, West Virginia ("the Litigation"). The Litigation involves claims arising from alleged contamination of human drinking water supplies with a chemical known as ammonium perfluorooctanoate (hereinafter "C-8") attributable to releases from DuPont's Washington Works Plant in Wood County, West Virginia.

You are receiving this Notice because you may be a Settlement Class Member. If so, the findings of the C-8 Medical Panel may entitle you to medical monitoring paid for by DuPont.

Science Panel and Medical Panel Findings

As part of the Settlement, Class Counsel and DuPont selected an independent panel of three epidemiologists ("the Science Panel") to conduct and evaluate studies to answer the question whether a "Probable Link" exists between exposure to C-8 among Class Members and serious human disease ("Human Disease"). After lengthy studies, in which many class members participated, the Science Panel found that there is a "Probable Link" between exposure to C-8 and the following Human Diseases: (1) pregnancy-induced hypertension (including preeclampsia), (2) kidney cancer, (3) testicular cancer, (4) thyroid disease, (5) ulcerative colitis, and (6) diagnosed high cholesterol (hypercholesterolemia). The Settlement Agreement defines a "Probable Link" to mean that, based upon the weight of the available scientific evidence, it is more likely than not that there is a link between exposure to C-8 and these Human Diseases. The Science Panel did not find that a Probable Link exists for any other Human Diseases.

As called for by the Settlement, the parties selected an independent panel of three medical doctors ("the Medical Panel") to determine whether and when medical monitoring for Class Members is appropriate for the six Human Diseases linked to C-8 exposure by the Science Panel. The Medical Panel has now released a final Protocol identifying initial recommended medical monitoring procedures for Class Members for each of these Human Diseases. The Medical Panel will issue an additional Protocol specifying the frequency and duration of these recommended tests, and Class Members will receive an additional notice addressing those issues when that additional Protocol is released.

Am I a Class Member?

If you consumed water for at least one year before December 4, 2004, from any of the following sources – Lubeck Public Service District (WV); City of Belpre (OH), Tuppers Plains-Chester Water District (OH); Village of Pomeroy (OH); Little Hocking Water Association (OH); and Mason County Public Service District (WV), OR certain private water sources specified in Exhibit 1 attached to this Notice and did not opt out of the Settlement previously – **you are a Class Member.**

Am I Entitled to Medical Monitoring?

In order to be entitled to medical monitoring recommended by the Medical Panel for one of the six Human Diseases, without any cost to you (the costs will be paid for by DuPont), you must:

- 1) be a member of the Class, as described above;
- 2) not have a prior diagnosis for the Human Disease to be tested; and
- 3) the test must be something that a physician would not otherwise recommend for you if you had not been exposed to C-8.

IMPORTANT NOTE: If you have a prior diagnosis for one or more of the Human Diseases, this will NOT prevent you from obtaining medical monitoring for any of the other Human Diseases.

What Medical Monitoring is Recommended for Class Members?

The following medical monitoring is recommended for Class Members:

1. <u>High Cholesterol</u> (Hypercholesterolemia)

All Class Members should be screened for high cholesterol, unless they have already been diagnosed or are under treatment for high cholesterol. The screening test is a simple blood test to measure fasting lipid serum profile.

2. <u>Thyroid Disease</u>

All Class Members 18 years and older should be screened for thyroid disease, unless they have already been diagnosed with or are already being treated for thyroid disease. The screening test is a simple blood test to measure serum thyroid stimulating hormone (TSH).

Although the Medical Panel does not recommend routine screening for thyroid disease in Class Members less than 18 years of age, screening of Class Members under the age of 18 for thyroid disease may be done at the discretion of the physician and parents or legal guardian.

If a female Class Member has been screened by the Medical Monitoring Program, and becomes pregnant or decides to try to become pregnant, the Class Member should be screened again for thyroid disease using the blood test for serum TSH. For Class Members who become pregnant, this screening should be done once at the first prenatal care visit.

Depending on the results of the initial screening test, the screening physician may order additional diagnostic tests.

3. <u>Ulcerative Colitis</u>

All Class Members 15 years and older should be screened for ulcerative colitis, if they have not already been diagnosed with the disease.

The screening should consist of a screening questionnaire to elicit symptoms and risk factors of ulcerative colitis. Depending on the results of the screening questionnaire, the screening physician may order additional diagnostic tests. The additional tests may include sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy and biopsy for symptomatic persons. The choice of type of endoscopy should be left to the Class Member and clinician to determine and be a function of the presenting clinical picture and the Class Member's wishes about sedation during the procedure. Stool testing for C. difficile and other pathogens should also be obtained in the symptomatic patient. The clinician may obtain other laboratory testing including a complete blood count and measures of inflammation (erythrocyte sedimentation rates ESR or C-reactive protein).

4. <u>Testicular Cancer</u>

All Male Class Members 15 to 50 years should be screened for testicular cancer using a screening questionnaire and testicular exam performed by a clinician. Male Class Members older than 50 years should be screened for testicular cancer using the screening questionnaire, but routine testicular examination by a physician is not recommended for males older than 50 years who do not have positive responses to the screening questions.

For male Class Members under the age of 15 years, the testicular exam should be performed as part of well child pediatric visits, so the costs of the testicular exam for Class Members under the age of 15 years will NOT be paid by the Medical Monitoring Program.

Testicular self-exam teaching at an age-appropriate time and through adulthood should also be done.

Based on the results of the findings of the screening questionnaire and testicular examination, additional diagnostic tests, including ultrasound of the scrotum should be done. If ultrasound results suggest the need for surgery, additional tests, including imaging, may be performed and tumor markers (alpha feto-protein, beta human chorionic gonadotropin and lactate dehydrogenase) should be obtained.

5. <u>Kidney Cancer</u>

All Class Members age 20 or older should be screened for kidney cancer. Because of the lower risk of kidney cancer in younger adults, the screening procedure is different for those 40 years or older than for Class Members younger than 40 years.

Class Members age 20 to 39 years should be screened by symptom questionnaire. If any symptoms are present, the physician should do an abdominal examination and obtain a urine test to check for blood. In Class Members with a positive abdominal examination or urine test for blood, the physician should order additional tests or refer to a specialist, which can include an abdominal imaging test, such as ultrasound, CT scan, or MRI.

Class Members age 40 or older should be screened by symptom questionnaire, followed by an abdominal examination by a physician and a urine test to check for blood. In Class Members with a positive response on the questionnaire, an abnormal abdominal examination, or a positive urine test for blood, the physician should order additional tests or refer to a specialist, which can include an abdominal imaging test, such as ultrasound, CT scan, or MRI.

6. Pregnancy Induced Hypertension

The Medical Panel recommends that prenatal care providers should perform screening tests at each prenatal care visit to detect the onset of gestational hypertension and preeclampsia. The screening tests should be performed as part of regular prenatal care, so the costs of the screening tests will NOT be paid by the Medical Monitoring Program.

If a pregnant Class Member expresses concern about gestational hypertension, medical care providers should recommend home monitoring of blood pressure in between visits beginning at the 20th week of gestation and order a home-use digital blood pressure monitoring device for this purpose. This device will be paid for by the Medical Monitoring Program.

7. <u>Physician Consultation</u>

All Class Members should have an in-person office visit with a physician, at no cost to the Class Member, to discuss the benefits and risks of the tests offered within this Medical Monitoring Program as part of a shared decision-making model between patient and physician.

8. <u>C-8 Blood Testing</u>

All Class members should have a simple blood test to determine the current level of C-8 in their blood serum, which will enable the Medical Panel to evaluate the future of the Medical Monitoring Program.

How Can I Obtain Medical Monitoring?

You should fill out the Class Member Registration and Eligibility Form enclosed with this Notice. The completed form, along with any required documentation, should be sent to the Medical Monitoring Administrator at the address listed on the form, or you may complete the form online at <u>www.C-8MedicalMonitoringProgram.com</u>. The Medical Monitoring Administrator will promptly determine if you are an eligible Class Member. If you are an eligible Class Member, you will receive a letter containing detailed information explaining what steps you should take to receive medical monitoring as established by the Medical Panel.

If you are in any way uncertain about any information in this notice, or have specific questions that you would like answered, you can take any or all of the following steps: (1) You can speak with someone in the office of the Medical Monitoring Administrator by calling, toll-free, (888) 499-2553. This hotline is available Monday - Friday 9:00AM – 9:00PM EST, Saturday 10:00AM – 3:00PM EST. (2) You can go online at <u>www.C-8MedicalMonitoringProgram.com</u> and, under the tab listed "FAQ" find answers to frequently asked questions.

(3) The Medical Monitoring Administrator will be scheduling "town hall" meetings for Class Members, the dates, times and locations of which will be posted to the homepage at <u>www.C-8MedicalMonitoringProgram.com</u>. (4) You can speak with your Class Counsel (identified below).

The Court appointed Class Counsel to represent the class under the Settlement Agreement. With respect to medical monitoring or Probable Link findings, these attorneys are available to you at no cost to you to answer any questions you might have about your rights under the Settlement Agreement.

Hill Peterson Carper Bee & Deitzler, PLLC Northgate Business Park 500 Tracy Way Charleston, WV 25311 304.345.5667 www.c8claim.com Winter & Johnson PLLC 216 Brooks Street, Suite 201 Charleston, WV 25301 304.345.7800 www.c8claim.com Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP 425 Walnut Street, Suite 1800 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 513.381.2838 www.c8claim.com

EXHIBIT 1 Private Water Supplies

Any private water well: (1) located within the geographic boundaries of any of the following public water supplies - Lubeck Public Service District (WV); City of Belpre (OH); Tuppers Plains-Chester Water District (OH); Village of Pomeroy (OH); Little Hocking Water Association (OH); and Mason County Public Service District (WV); (2) contains 0.05 ppb or greater PFOA, and (3) is the sole source of drinking water for the location; OR any of the following specified private water wells:

Private Owner	Box 165 Pine Run Road	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	Rt. 3 Box 166-A	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	2719 Beach Drive	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	170 Lake Washington Club Dr.	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	P.O. Box 399	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	399 Hocking Road	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	Box 520 Pine Run Road	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	50330 Hours Road	Racine	OH	45771
Private Owner	Rt. 3 Box 171	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	RR 3 Box 95	Washington	WV	
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Private Owner	Rt. 2 Box 111	Washington		26181
Private Owner	Rt. 2 Box 294	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	4220 Welch Road	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	66261 Main Street (or Box 82)	Reedsville	OH	45772
Private Owner	2500 Welch Road	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	5 Haynes Road	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	2481 Street Rt. 124	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	Rt. 1 Box 289	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	2715 Beach Drive	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	P.O. Box 57	Reedsville	OH	45772
Private Owner	P.O. Box 22	Letart	WV	25253
Private Owner	19 Meadow Crest Lane	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	26890 W. Belpre Pike Rd.	Coolville	OH	45723
Private Owner	Rt. 2 Box 353	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	3560 Federal Road	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	2709 Beach Drive	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	Rt. 1 Box 14	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	29956 Murphy Road	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	Rt. 2 Box 351	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	3094 Logan Drive	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	230 Walker Lane	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	29470 Sawyers Run Rd.	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	Route 2 Box 176D	Letart	WV	25253
Private Owner	949 New England River Rd.	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	121 Sun Valley Road	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	1766 Pleasant Hill Road	Parkersburg	WV	26101
Private Owner	120 School House Rd.	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	2705 Beach Drive	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	4625 Federal Road	Coolville	OH	45723
DuPont Washington Works	8480 DuPont Road	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	55458 East 2nd Ave.	Reedsville	OH	45772
Private Owner	Rt. 2 Box 145	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	723 Lewis Road	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	2725 Beach Drive	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	Box 199 Smitherman Road	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	30 Schultz Lane	Washington	WV	26181
General Electric Plastics	P.O. Box 68, DuPont Road	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	3082 Logan Drive 3090 Logan Drive	Belpre	OH OH	45714 45714
Private Owner		Belpre		
Private Owner	2334 Roddy Road	Vincent	OH	45784
Private Owner	Rt. 2 Box 285	Belpre	OH	45714

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Private Owner	172 Smitherman Road	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	157 Chloe Lane	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	4032 Railroad Street	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	5735 Veto Road	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	3074 Washington Boulevard	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	2727 Beach Drive	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	2703 Beach Drive	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	390 Gantsville Road	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	2940 Larkmead Road	Parkersburg	WV	26101
Private Owner	268 Holdren Road	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	106 Holdren Road	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	P.O. Box 53	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	4700 State Route 555	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	4020 Washington Boulevard	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	4010 Washington Boulevard	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	2988 St. Rt. 124	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	16 Meadow Crest Lane	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	3227 Schoolhouse Road	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	Rt. 3 Box 273 A	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	5615 Veto Road	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	900 Turkey Hollow Rd.	Cutler	OH	45724
Private Owner	Box 27 Walker Lane	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	Rt. 4 Box 39	Parkersburg	WV	26101
Private Owner	61534 State Rt. 124, P.O. Box 2	Long Bottom	OH	45743
Private Owner	Box 162-A Pine Run Road	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	98 Holdren Rd.	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	2064 Darnold Rd.	Vincent	OH	45784
Private Owner	47360 Horse Cave Road	Racine	OH	45771
Private Owner	Rt. 3 Box 154	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	Rt. 2 Box 204	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	Rt. 1 Box 26	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	1545 Hocking Road	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	3086 Goodno Drive	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	1833 School House Rd.	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	1922 School House Rd.	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	RR 1 Box 361	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	Route 2 Box 247	Letart	WV	25253
Private Owner	3086 Logan Drive	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	4000 Washington Blvd.	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	871 New England Ridge	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	Rt. 2 Box 299A	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	Rt. 1 Box 60-A	Belleville	OH	26133
Private Owner	1261 New England Ridge	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	183 Lake Washington Club Dr.	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	55456 4th Street	Reedsville	OH	45772
Private Owner	80 Baker Road	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	2839 Beach Drive	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	494 Moody Ridge Road	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	Rt. 2 Box 208	Little Hocking	OH	45742
Private Owner	65 Smitherman Road	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	162 Smitherman Road	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	96 Oak Lane	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	40 Champion School Road	Washington	WV	26181
Private Owner	721 Turner Road	Belpre	OH	45714
Private Owner	RR 1 Box 151	Belleville	WV	26133
Private Owner	Rt. 2 Box 308	Belpre	OH	45714
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