

PFAS Program Management in a Rapidly Changing Regulatory Environment

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Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are synthetic chemicals used in various industries and in an array of everyday consumer products. Due to their xenobiotic nature, PFAS are persistent in the environment. Progress has been made in the development and implementation of remedial technologies for contaminated site cleanup and safeguarding drinking water supplies. However, these efforts are often challenged by newly discovered PFAS sources and changing cleanup criteria. In March 2023, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced its proposal for a National Primary Drinking Water Regulation (NPDWR) for six PFAS, including PFOA and PFOS, which includes enforceable maximum contaminant levels (MCLs) for these compounds. This panel will discuss the challenges in managing PFAS in a rapidly changing regulatory environment. The panel will present diverse perspectives with representation from the U.S. EPA, the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), the Department of Defense (DoD), and the environmental consulting community.