

**BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS  
RESOLUTION**

PRESENTED BY  
COMMISSIONER \_\_\_\_\_

No. 24-84  
DATE January 11, 2024

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**WHEREAS**, per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (“PFAS”) and perfluorooctanoic acid (“PFOA”) are a large group of human-made chemicals, components of which may be linked to harmful effects in humans, animals, and the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, as a public water system, the Saint Paul Regional Water Services is committed to providing safe, clean drinking water; and

**WHEREAS**, detectable levels of "forever chemicals" such as PFAS and PFOA have been located in public water system sources throughout the State; and

**WHEREAS**, many of these chemicals were introduced into public water sources via their presence in common products such as clothing and other fabrics, personal care products, firefighting foam, and non-stick and stain-repellant coatings; and

**WHEREAS**, 3M and DuPont were sued in U.S. District Court over their development and sale of these forever chemicals and, as part of the settlement, public water systems may qualify for a portion of the claim settlement funds to be used for the testing and treating of PFAS contamination; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Water Commissioners desires to file a claim in this settlement with the hope that settlement proceeds may be received to aid the Saint Paul Regional Water Services in its mission of providing safe, clean drinking water; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby authorizes and directs staff, to file a claim in the 3M and DuPont settlements and to take those steps necessary to receive settlement proceeds.

**Water Commissioners**

**Adopted by the Board of Water Commissioners**

**Yeas**

**Nays**

**January 11, 2024**

**In favor**

**Opposed**

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Secretary

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