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PFOA Test Results

Troy-Due to concerns regarding Perfluorooctanoic Acid (PFOA) contamination in water supplies Rensselaer County, in conjunction with the NYS Department of Health and NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, has initiated a groundwater study. As part of the study the County began sampling public and private water supplies initially within a half mile and then a mile of Taconic located in the Town of Petersburg. Additionally all municipal ground fed water supplies and the Troy water systems were tested. Troy water was tested by the City twice in 2013 and twice in 2014 and the results were Non Detect. (Non Detect for the Troy test meant under 20ppt). The County is currently awaiting results for Troy and 2 water districts in Schodack.

The results of the recent municipal system samples taken are below:

Location	PFOA count
Hampton Manor (East Greenbush)	3.8 ppt
Village of Nassau	6.3 ppt
Village of Castleton	Non Detect*

Non Detect indicates less than **.67 ppt. The lab testing was performed by Pace Analytical through Bender Labs. Pace Analytical is an Environment Protection Agency Certified Lab.*

A breakdown of the results of 50 samples taken at private homes mainly within a half mile of Taconic located in the Town of Petersburg are as follows:

- 13 samples below 20 ppt
- 6 samples between 21 ppt and EPA Guidance level of 100ppt
- 14 samples between 101ppt and 1000 ppt
- 6 samples between 1001 and 2100 ppt (the highest result found was 2100 ppt)
- 11 samples were non detect (less than .67 ppt)

The County in conjunction with the NYS Departments of Health and Environmental

Conservation is continuing the water testing program and will release the results as they become available. Results have been provided to the homeowners and municipalities tested. Under an agreement with Taconic private water sources with a PFOA result of over 100 can have a filter system installed on their home by Taconic.

For more information on the groundwater study please contact the Rensselaer County Health Department at 518-270-2655.