

# Dear Neighbor,

## You may have seen some concerning headlines lately.

Press accounts of a recent University of Wisconsin study have said things like a **“Large Plume” of PFAS has been discovered in Green Bay**. The headlines then also suggest Tyco is to blame for this large plume.

## These headlines are not correct.

In fact, research from these very same authors make that very clear. In February 2022, these researchers wrote a paper about Green Bay that said: **“the summed PFAS levels in the greater Marinette area [where Tyco is located]. . . are not elevated compared to other areas”**.

What are those other areas? The scientists found that a significant amount of PFAS entering Green Bay is coming from areas like the Fox River and the City of Green Bay. According to the authors, the Fox River is the single largest source, delivering fully 33% of the PFAS going into the Bay. Tyco has no plants or manufacturing operations in these areas.

Driving home the fact that PFAS is entering Green Bay from many sources and from many watersheds outside of Tyco’s home in Marinette, the WDNR just posted updated information identifying many companies now under investigation for PFAS, many of which are near or directly adjacent to, rivers and streams that empty into Green Bay and are outside of Marinette.

These sources of PFAS into Green Bay need to be stopped just as, years ago, Tyco stopped practices that contributed to the PFAS problem. Having said that, it is important to know that the picture painted by the press of Green Bay as a PFAS hotspot is also misleading. Water samples collected by Tyco offshore in Green Bay all meet and are well below Wisconsin water quality standards, and municipal water systems that draw from the Bay – in Marinette, Menominee, and Green Bay – produce good, safe drinking water that also are fully in keeping with relevant water quality requirements.

## So, while the headlines are not true, here’s what we know is true:

- ➔ **Tyco, again, stopped the outdoor testing** that was the source of PFAS from our operations 6 years ago.
- ➔ **Tyco has invested \$25 million** to install the best equipment to fix the problem. Tests show that the system is working, delivering water back to the environment with no detection of PFAS.
- ➔ **Tyco has sat down with our neighbors** and is working directly with them to provide them long-term good, safe drinking water.

**Tyco has taken responsibility for our contribution to the PFAS problem.** We will faithfully continue working to make the situation right for our neighbors. We hope that others will step up to their responsibility and that public authorities will finally act to stop continued known PFAS discharges throughout this region and comprehensively address the PFAS issue.

Sincerely,  
Katie McGinty, Chief Sustainability Officer