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## PERFLUORINATED CHEMICALS REDUCTION TEST REPORT

Report # 16-296-Perflurinated Chemicals Reduction Test (Gravity Black Berkey Filter).  
Customer Name: New Millennium Concepts, Ltd.  
Report Date: 07/23/2016.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Twenty five gallons of tap water was spiked with Perfluoro Octanoic Acid (PFOA) Standard Solution to have a final concentration of  $1 \pm 0.25 \mu\text{g/L}$ , the spiked tap water was filtered through the filter element and tested; the PFOA Standard Solution in the tap water was reduced by 99.9%.

### INTRODUCTION

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### REAGENTS AND LAB EQUIPMENT

Gravity Black Berkey Filter.  
Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) reagent grade 96%+, Aldrich cat 171468-25G.  
HP 5890/5972 GC/MS System.  
Restek GC column Stabilwax 30m, 0.25 mm ID, 0.25  $\mu\text{m}$  df, catalog 10623-124.  
Type A glassware for drinking water analysis.  
Solid Phase Extraction Disk 3M Empore<sup>TM</sup> Styrene Divinyl Benzene (SDB-XC) 47 mm Supelco catalog 66884-U.  
Methanol, Fisher HPLC grade A452-1.  
Hexane, Macrone Fine Chemicals, reagent grade H487-10.  
Thelco oven model 16.

### PROCEDURE

Twenty five gallons of tap water was spiked with PFOA Standard Solution in a Tank and mixed well; this solution was tested and adjusted to have a final concentration of  $1.0 \pm 0.25 \mu\text{g/L}$  of PFOA, the results are summarized in Table 1 below. The solution was filtered through the Black Berkey Filter, one liter samples were collected and extracted using the SPE disk 3M Empore SDB-XC, following the water extraction the disk was extracted with Methanol, this solution was heated in an oven at  $60^\circ\text{C}$  for 4 hours, then extracted with Hexane and tested by GC/MS. The results are summarized in Table 2 below.

### RESULTS

**Table 1**  
**Spiked Tap Water Properties**

Parameter	Influent Water Properties	Target
pH	7.67	7.00 to 8.00
TDS	56.2 mg/L	50 to 250 mg/L
Temperature	22.1 °C	20 $\pm$ 2.5°C
Turbidity	0.55 NTU	< 1 Nephelometric Turbidity Units
PFOA	1.00 $\mu\text{g/L}$	1.00 $\pm$ 0.25 $\mu\text{g/L}$
EPA Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)	Not specified	<0.002 $\mu\text{g/L}$



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**Table 2**  
**PFOA (C8) Water Results**

Accumulated Volume	Influent Water Concentration	Filtered Effluent Water Result	% Reduction
Start	1.00 µg/L	<0.002 µg/L	>99.9 %
10 gallons	1.00 µg/L	<0.002 µg/L	>99.9 %
25 gallons	1.00 µg/L	<0.002 µg/L	>99.9 %

## CONCLUSION

The Gravity Black Berkey Filter reduced the PFOA concentration in the tap water by at least 99.9% after passing 25 gallons of water through the filter.

## Potential Perfluorinated Chemical Contaminants in Water:

Contaminant	Surrogate Influent Water Concentration	Surrogate Filtered Effluent Water Result	% Reduction
<u>Perfluorobutane Sulfonate (PFBS)</u>	1.00 µg/L	<0.002 µg/L	>99.9 %
<u>Perfluorodecanoic acid (PFDA)</u>	1.00 µg/L	<0.002 µg/L	>99.9 %
<u>Perfluorohexanoic acid (PFHxA)</u>	1.00 µg/L	<0.002 µg/L	>99.9 %
<u>Perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA)</u>	1.00 µg/L	<0.002 µg/L	>99.9 %
<u>Perfluorooctanoic Acid (PFOA) (C8)</u>	1.00 µg/L	<0.002 µg/L	>99.9 %
<u>Perfluorooctane Sulfonate (PFOS)</u>	1.00 µg/L	<0.002 µg/L	>99.9 %
<u>Perfluorohexane Sulfonate (PFSxS)</u>	1.00 µg/L	<0.002 µg/L	>99.9 %
<u>Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE)</u>	1.00 µg/L	<0.002 µg/L	>99.9 %
<u>Fluorotelomer alcohol 8:2 (PTOH)</u>	1.00 µg/L	<0.002 µg/L	>99.9 %

Note: Surrogate test based on the results of PFOA (C8) used as the surrogate compound.

## CERTIFICATION OF RESULTS:

I certify in writing that all analyses, and reporting performed herein, comply with all requirements set forth in N.J.A.C. 7:9E and N.J.A.C. 7:18, and hereby certify that this laboratory is in compliance with all laboratory certification and quality control procedures and requirements as set forth in N.J.A.C. 7:18; the NYCRR Subpart 55-2 and the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Conference (NELAC) Institute Standards.

**Disclaimer:** The test results are only related to the filter sample tested.

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