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The Honorable Scott Pruitt
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Dear Administrator Pruitt,

I write to you today in hopes you will consider visiting North Carolina as part of your continued work on per and polyfluoroalkyl substance (PFAS). Last month, I was encouraged to see your continued efforts to address the growing concern surrounding PFAS by hosting a national summit on the issue. During this summit, you announced a four step action plan to continue to address these chemicals. These actions included developing maximum contaminant levels for PFOA and PFOS, beginning the steps necessary to designate PFOA and PFOS as “hazardous substances”, developing groundwater cleanup recommendations, and developing toxicity values for GenX and PFBS. Additionally, it was announced that the EPA planned on conducting site visits to affected areas.

As you know, my state of North Carolina has been severely impacted by the discovery of GenX in drinking water sources. You and I have engaged on this subject several times and I believe you understand how desperately we need answers regarding the health implications of exposure to GenX. With this in mind, I would like to invite you to visit North Carolina as part of the upcoming site visits. Specifically, I would encourage you to visit the original site of the contamination at the Chemours facility in Fayetteville, NC as well as the surrounding area.

In order for us to properly handle the emerging contaminant GenX, I believe we need close coordination between federal, state, and local parties. By visiting this site you would be showing a strong commitment to protecting drinking water for the citizens of North Carolina. Thank you for your consideration of this request and I eagerly await your response.

Sincerely,



Richard Hudson
Member of Congress