



# An Update on the EPA's Recent Action Regarding PFAS

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In the *Legal Intelligencer* article "An Update on the EPA's Recent Action Regarding PFAS" partner [Charles Dennen](#) provides a timely update on the EPA's ongoing efforts to regulate PFAS under the Trump administration's second term. Despite a general deregulatory stance in President Trump's second term, the EPA under Administrator Lee Zeldin has shown continuity with the Biden-era PFAS policies. PFAS—persistent, harmful chemicals often found in water—remain a federal priority. The EPA recently announced 21 initiatives across three pillars:

- Strengthening the science (e.g., better testing and data collection)
- Fulfilling statutory obligations and communication (e.g., tighter regulation, clearer liability standards)
- Building partnerships (e.g., aiding states and tribes with enforcement and cleanup)

A key development is the decision to retain strict drinking water standards (MCLs) for PFOA and PFOS at 4 parts per trillion, despite expectations these might be relaxed. However, enforcement has been delayed from 2029 to 2031 to ease compliance burdens. Meanwhile, MCLs for other PFAS compounds (PFNA, PFHxS, GenX) are being rescinded, signaling a narrowing regulatory focus. The EPA also intends to propose and finalize new rules in 2025–2026.

**Key Takeaway:** While some PFAS rules are being revised or delayed, core Biden-era regulations remain intact, reflecting a bipartisan recognition of PFAS risks and regulatory continuity across administrations.

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