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Legal Issues - *How's that free beer looking!?*

The Camp Lejeune PFAS issues encompass military personnel. This case was constructed for one military base affected by AFFF. There are many others affected.

“The language of Section 804 provides for monetary relief for those injured by exposure to the Camp Lejeune base and its toxic water. Thirty days of "living" or "working" or "otherwise" being exposed between 1953 and 1987 is the prerequisite for compensation.”

Many AFFF state take-back programs are working on collecting firefighting foams manufactured prior to 2003 whereas this mandate should be including all AFFF products to date. The MilSpec AFFF definition required the addition of perfluorinated chemicals.

There are 15,213 active lawsuits in the AFFF Products Liability Litigation cases. Some sources also report a cumulative total of 19,788 cases filed overall in the MDL, highlighting the litigation's massive scale. These lawsuits are predicted to continue for decades. They are being compared to the on-going tobacco and asbestos cases.

In Europe, professors have noted: “Responsibilities are being shunned. This could become a case of state-facilitated corporate crime, with states, politicians and authorities failing to regulate harmful business activities.”

USEPA has been aware of the PFAS health impacts since 1999 - - - 27 years.

Foam Exposure Committee