

Bulletin #94, September 6, 2024 PFAS Liabilities

There are trillions in PFAS liabilities threatening corporate bankruptcies. The legal targets will be filtering down to users eventually.

"Companies targeted in litigation for contributing to the proliferation of "forever chemicals" face an uncertain future and a growing risk of being forced into bankruptcy.

Although still in infancy, litigation over per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, or PFAS, recently led 3M Co. into a multibillion-dollar settlement. Earlier this year, fire detection and suppression company Kidde-Fenwal Inc. blamed its Chapter 11 on more than 4,400 lawsuits that named it as a defendant over its production of PFAS-laden firefighting foam."

Remember those replacement AFFF foams, the C6 products? According to Bloomberg Law:

"The <u>next set</u> of cases in the MDL, scheduled for trial next August [Aug 2024], will focus on telomer manufacturers whose mostly shorter forms of PFAS have gone into firefighting foams. Some of the major defendants include AGC Chemicals Americas Inc., Chemguard Inc., Daikin America Inc., and Tyco Fire Products LP. The plaintiffs, once again, will be public water suppliers."

You will be a part of the solution or the problem. Protect your firefighters and your community by using F3 foams. There are no regulations requiring a fire department to use PFAS containing firefighting foams. One man on a shovel does works. Here is your shovel, Chief!



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Bloomberg Law, Trillions in PFAS Liabilities Threaten Corporate Bankruptcy Wave, Alex Wolf, Oct. 24, 2023, https://news.bloomberglaw.com/bankruptcy-law/trillions-in-pfas-liabilities-threaten-corporate-bankruptcy-wave