

September 5, 2024

The Honorable Gavin Newsom  
State of California Governor  
1021 O Street, Suite 9000  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Assembly Bill (AB) 2515 (Papan) Menstrual products: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) Orange County Sanitation District – Request for Signature**

On behalf of Orange County Sanitation District (OC San), I write to request your signature of Assembly Bill 2515, which seeks to ensure that additional perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are kept out of our environment. OC San provides wastewater collection, treatment, and recycling for approximately 2.6 million people in central and northwest Orange County, CA. OC San's primary mission is to protect public health and the environment through its services.

In recent years, California has led the nation in source control legislation aimed at preventing additional PFAS substances from entering our environment. This important bill will add a well-known contributor of PFAS substances to the list of products being addressed in the spirit of source control.

Specifically, this bill would prohibit any person from manufacturing, distributing, selling, or offering for sale any menstrual products that contain regulated PFAS, and requires a manufacturer to use the least toxic alternative when removing regulated PFAS in menstrual products to comply with these provisions. This bill is consistent with other bills in recent years that have systematically addressed PFAS contamination across the State.

The bill would also require a manufacturer of a menstrual product to provide persons that offer the product for sale or distribution in the State with a certificate of compliance stating that the menstrual product is in compliance with these provisions and does not contain any regulated PFAS.

For these reasons, the Orange County Sanitation District respectfully requests your signature of AB 2515.

Sincerely,



Rob Thompson  
General Manager

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