

September 8, 2022

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

**RE: AB 2247 (Bloom) – Signature Request**

Dear Governor Newsom:

The Orange County Sanitation District (OC San) respectfully requests your signature on AB 2247 (Bloom), which would require manufacturers of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) or products containing PFAS to disclose the presence of PFAS in those products in a publicly accessible database. 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.

PFAS have recently become a topic of public concern due to their high mobility and resistance to breaking down naturally in the environment, as well as the persistent detection of PFAS compounds in people’s bodies and in public water systems. PFAS enter our watershed through a variety of pathways, including when they are flushed into wastewater systems as a result of everyday household and commercial activities such as the washing or rinsing of clothing, cookware, and other products containing PFAS.

AB 2247 would allow the water and wastewater industry to use the PFAS disclosure data required from manufacturers of PFAS or products containing PFAS to optimize pollution prevention programs at the local level through local pre-treatment programs. In addition, this bill will generate consumer awareness about the chemicals used in everyday products and how they impact the environment. The wastewater industry needs data to support practical and cost-effective management solutions, and AB 2247 is an important first step towards this end goal. Without better information about sources of PFAS to support source control, local water management options are limited and costly, leading to affordability concerns for the delivery of essential public services.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jennifer Cabral, Administration Manager at (714) 593-7581 or via mail at [JCabral@ocsan.gov](mailto:JCabral@ocsan.gov).

For these reasons, we encourage your signature of AB 2247.

Sincerely,



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Board Chairman

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