



Media Statement

AdvanSix appreciates the participation and feedback provided by the Hopewell community on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, during the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) public meeting and hearing as part of the renewal process regarding our water permit.

We are pleased with how the process took place and appreciate the feedback provided by the community and local organizations. Their voices are an important part of this process.

We want to thank the DEQ for its work and dedication to ensuring a thorough and transparent process. We respect and fully support the DEQ's rigorous procedures for reviewing and approving permit renewals, which help to maintain high environmental standards and safeguard our community's well-being.

There were three concerns brought up during the meeting that we wanted to address:

- AdvanSix operates within permitted wasteload allocations, designed to be protective of the Chesapeake Bay, for the discharge of nitrogen. Consistent with our Responsible Care® Management System, we work to continuously reduce our nutrient discharges. Questions regarding the amount of nitrogen being discharged were clarified by DEQ noting that AdvanSix has implemented considerable improvements to its operations to significantly reduce such discharges, with additional projects planned over the permit term.
- Regarding the concern raised about PFAS (perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances), we want to clarify that our site manufacturing operations do not use or produce PFAS.
- Regarding clarification on the water withdrawal allocation allowed via the permit, AdvanSix is not requesting an increase in this capacity. The maximum allocation of 166 million gallons, which is rarely met, is the system's maximum design capacity. The majority of the water withdrawn is returned to the James River. AdvanSix estimates a 98% return with the remaining 2% evaporated during usage. Over the past decades AdvanSix has installed seven closed loop cooling towers to reduce and limit the amount of cooling water required directly from the James and Appomattox River systems. These improvements are consistent with our sustainability goals, and additional information can be found in our 2022 Sustainability Report at AdvanSix.com.

As always, AdvanSix is committed to the safety and health of Hopewell and being responsible stewards for the protection of our environment.

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