

County of Brunswick
Office of the County Commissioners



RESOLUTION REQUESTING NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TO REQUIRE TENANTS OF THE FAYETTEVILLE WORKS SITE TO CEASE OPERATIONS THAT RESULT IN THE PRODUCTION OF FLUORO-CHEMICAL COMPOUNDS

WHEREAS, Brunswick County Public Utilities furnishes water to the citizens of Brunswick County and municipalities; and

WHEREAS, tenants of the Fayetteville Works site have released, and continue to release, GenX and other fluorochemical compounds into the Cape Fear River from the manufacturing facility located in Fayetteville, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the Chemours company claims it trucks wastewater containing fluorochemicals off-site, but fluorochemical compounds continue to be detected at varying levels in the Cape Fear River and in Brunswick County's treated drinking water; and

WHEREAS, tenants of the Fayetteville Works site have repeatedly demonstrated that they are not capable of continuing operations at the facility in a manner that does not cause the release of GenX and other fluorochemical compounds into the Cape Fear River; and

WHEREAS, Brunswick County Public Utilities uses the Cape Fear River as source water for the majority of over 80,000 customers supplied through retail and wholesale service; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Water Treatment Plant, owned and operated by Brunswick County Public Utilities is unable to filter certain unregulated contaminants out of the drinking water; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ) Division of Water Resources is tasked with ensuring safe drinking water in accordance with federal requirements, issuing pollution control permits, monitoring permit compliance, evaluating environmental water quality and carrying out enforcement actions for violations of environmental regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Brunswick County Board of Commissioners requests that NCDEQ immediately require all tenants of the Fayetteville Works

site cease operations that result in the production of fluorochemical compounds due to their inability to operate without discharging fluorochemical compounds into the Cape Fear River.

This 19th day of March, 2018.

Frank Williams, Chairman
Brunswick County Commissioners

Attest:

Andrea White, Clerk to the Board