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Statement in Response to the State of Maryland Attorney General's Lawsuit against W. L. Gore & Associates

December 18, 2024

W. L. Gore & Associates (Gore) denies the allegations in the complaint and is surprised by the Maryland Attorney General's decision to initiate legal action, particularly in light of our proactive and intensive engagement with state regulators over the past two years.

As recently as this morning, we submitted to the state a detailed testing report for our Cherry Hill facility, which summarizes nearly two years of comprehensive ground water investigation. This demonstrates Gore's continuous, proactive engagement with the Maryland regulators since learning two years ago about the presence of PFOA in ground water near our Cherry Hill facility. We have been working with Maryland, employing the most current, reliable science and technology to assess the potential impact of our operations and guide our ongoing, collaborative efforts to protect the environment.

As a responsible manufacturer, we strive to always adopt the best available control technologies and implement the most advanced practices to fulfill our commitment to be a good steward of the environment and a good neighbor. Our actions have reflected the emerging science of PFAS and evolving regulations.

Gore has been a community partner as well as a manufacturer of products of high societal value in Maryland for decades. Our friends, families, neighbors and fellow Associates call Cecil County home and it's important to us that we are a valued member of the community. More information about our efforts can be found at: <https://forward.gore.com/>

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