## WMEL and 3M Reach a Settlement Agreement

ST. PAUL, Minn. & DECATUR, Ala.--(<u>BUSINESS WIRE</u>)--3M and the West Morgan-East Lawrence Water and Sewer Authority released the following joint statement.

"3M Company, Inc. (3M) and West Morgan-East Lawrence Water and Sewer Authority (WMEL) are pleased to announce that they have settled the lawsuit between them in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Alabama. Both parties are grateful for the cooperation and work that has gone into getting this settlement finalized.

"This settlement will allow for a new filtration system at WMEL. WMEL will continue to supply safe drinking water that meets all applicable PFAS guidelines without passing on any additional construction or treatment costs—a great thing for WMEL and its customers in Morgan and Lawrence Counties.

"This settlement pertains only to the lawsuit between WMEL and 3M. Now that the litigation between WMEL and 3M is concluded, neither 3M nor WMEL will make any further statements."

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## About WMEL

WMEL was formed in 1975 to provide drinking water and sewer services to residents of Morgan and Lawrence Counties. Over the past 44 years, WMEL has grown to provide drinking water to thousands of direct purchasers and also supplies drinking water on a wholesale basis to other water authorities in North Alabama. You can learn more about WMEL at <a href="https://www.wmel.org">www.wmel.org</a>.

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