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Fine Of $600,000 For Storing PCB At A Landfill In Alabama

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Environmental Protection Agency levied a $600,000 fine Thursday against a chemical disposal firm charged with illegally storing PCB at a landfill in Emelle, Ala.

Chemical Waste Management Inc., based in Oak Brook, Ill., was accused of storing the chemical at its landfill at Emelle for a period longer than the one-year limit required by the the federal agency. PCB, or polychlorinated biphenol, is suspected of causing cancer.

The agency said the firm had agreed to pay a $600,000 penalty for violations of rules on the storage and handling of PCB. It said the company also agreed to remove and destroy 2.8 million gallons of PCB now stored at the facility.

The company also agreed to analyze its PCB storage tanks for dioxin, to destroy the PCB in a manner approved by the agency and to conduct a ground-water and geological study of the Emelle site.

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