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¹⁸⁰⁰ Vermont Lakes Eyed for Chemical

MONTPELIER, Vt. (AP).—A survey of state waterways is being conducted by the Vermont Environmental Conservation Agency to check for a potentially dangerous chemical that has been found in New York waters.

The chemical, polychlorinated biphenyl, known as PCB, has appeared in high concentrations in samples taken from the Hudson River in New York and was found in excess of set limits in a recent New York survey in Lake Champlain.

Specific results of the tests will be known in about three weeks when the tests are completed, said Dr. Theodore Huller, deputy

commissioner for programs and research in New York State's Department of Environmental Conservation. Samples are being taken from the lake in the Plattsburgh, N.Y. and Ticonderoga, N.Y., area, he said.

James Morse, an aquatic biologist with the Vermont Water Resources Department, said tests for PCB in the Shelburne Harbor indicate amounts well within safe levels.

Morse said the agency will check tributaries to Lake Champlain as well as ponds and streams in the state for the chemical, but he said it did not appear to be a problem throughout the state. //