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Monsanto Company Denies Negligence

ANDERSON (AP)—The Monsanto Co. of St. Louis has replied to a suit against it by Lake Hartwell property owners, denying it was negligent in its manufacture of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs).

The property owners filed suit after health officials in South Carolina and Georgia warned against eating fish taken from the lake. The officials said the fish were contaminated by PCBs, which are chemicals used in the production of electrical capacitors.