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Contaminated trout reportedly being sold

LANSING, MICH. (AP). — Michigan lake trout contaminated with polychlorinated bipheny chemicals in levels above the federal maximum are being sold daily, the state natural resources director says.

Dr. Howard A. Tanner told the Natural Resources Commission Thursday that he knows of nothing being done to intercept contaminated fish shipments.

A spokesman for the state Department of Agriculture's food inspection division said inspectors have no directive to make special checks of the fish.

The fish, taken mostly from Lakes Michigan and Superior, contain polychlorinated biphenyls, heat-resistant compounds used in a variety of industrial processes and products.

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