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5:00 p.m.	They say they're going to get out of the business. The Monsanto Company says it'll stop the production of all PCBs by the end of October, 1977. And they'll stop selling the compound altogether when inventories run out. The synthetic compounds have become dangerous pollutants because of the same durability that makes them so valuable to industry they don't breakdown when released in the environment. PCBs are generally used for insulation and fire retardation in electrical transformers. Monsanto spokesmen say the electrical industry is field testing alternative fluid compounds to replace PCBs.
10:00 p.m.	The Monsanto Chemical Company in St. Louis says it'll stop making a chemical which the government says causes cancer. The plant in Sauget, Illinois is the only place in the U.S that makes PCB. But Monsanto says no more will be made after October of next year. The government says the hazardous chemical has contaminated our water, land, air and people too. The industry must now find another chemical to use as an electric insulator.

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The above transcript has been edited for readability eliminating verbal hesitations. Unintelligible phrases are enclosed in parentheses. Proper names are spelled phonetically.