Lumber Industry Gets Ultimatum

KALISPELL (AP) — State Air Pollution Control Director Benjamin F. Wake says the lumber industry in Montana will have to comply with the state's air pollution control standards, even if it means shutting down mills.

Wake spoke Wednesday at a symposium in Kalispell on wood waste disposal. He said he will use every legal means at his disposal to force the lumber industry to comply with the new standards which take effect May 23, 1970.

He said the industry has the technological capability of dealing with its pollution problems.

Another speaker, Jerry Lausmann, president of KOGAP Lumber Industries of Medford, Ore., offered the lumbermen a ray of hope. He outlined technical details of a device which he said can be installed in conventional teepee burners.

The system, which he said he invented, results in smokeless and fallout-free combustion of wood waste.

He said the system can be installed in most existing teepee burners by a trained crew in 2-3 days at a cost generally under $25,000.

Dr. John Krier, a professor of wood science and technology at the University of Montana, spoke on methods other than burning for disposal of wood wastes.

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