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Subject: Re: Little bit more about dead horse

Bob. Again I don't think we should defend PCBs. Someone does need to question their authority and expertise if their claims are outlandish

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Brad,

I don't want to beat a dead horse and this night, I'll concede. We discussed the idea of third parties discussing health effects of PCB's. In a news release issued a few days ago by the Alabama Department of Public Health about fish advisories for Alabama waters, the agency described PCB's this way:

"For example, the FDA tolerance level for PCBs is calculated to protect people who consume one meal of fish a month throughout their lifetime. Individuals who eat these fish more frequently or for many years place themselves at greater risk. Individuals who eat these fish only once each month or less frequently are at less risk.

PCBs are listed by EPA as "probable human carcinogens." This listing is used for chemicals that have been found to cause cancer in laboratory animals but have not been shown to cause cancer in humans. PCBs have also been associated with a skin disorder known as chloracne as well as changes in cholesterol and triglyceride levels in human blood.

Women of childbearing age and children should not consume any of these fish on which a Limited or No Consumption Advisory exists."

Some streams around Anniston have a fish advisory for PCB's.

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