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6:00 p.m.	The Monsanto Corporation said today that it's going to start phasing out production of a toxic group of chemicals known as PCBs. Environment experts say the chemicals pose a danger of cancer and are threatening the nation's rivers and lakes. The chemicals were used for many purposes years ago but now are used mostly in power company generators. Christy Ferrer asked a Monsanto executive just how long the effect lasts. MONSANTO EXECUTIVE: "I'm sure there are products containing PCBs made before 1970. And dependent of course on how carefully they're preserved. For example, paper in someone's cabinet---file cabinet, that conceivably could last for generations. PCBs however tossed into an active environment with bacteria and fish and what-have-you, that would, of course, last much shorter period of time. And if you would---I can only guess. I suspect that some of the PCBs would disappear immediately and some may last 10---20 years."
10:00 p.m.	CONTENT SAME AS ABOVE

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