Chemical spill suit transferred to federal court

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KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP)—A Roane County dairy farmer's lawsuit against the General Electric Corp. in connection with a chemical spill last spring has been transferred from a state court to U.S. District Court here.

Gordon C. Dennis is seeking $50,000 from the firm. He contends that GE was negligent in allowing 1,400 gallons of a transformer coolant to spill on a pasture he rents from Ralph Hickey near Kingston.

He says in the suit that he is unable to use the land because of the accident.

The spill occurred as the transformer was being hauled through Roane County on a truck.

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