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¹⁰⁰ **Purchased Fish Contaminated**

St. Louis (AP)—Discovery of an industrial contaminant in fish stocked in five St. Louis lakes has forced the Missouri Department of Conservation to close those lakes to fishing.

Officials said samplings of the fish taken by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration revealed unacceptable levels of the contaminant known as PCB in carp.

"We don't think people could eat enough of the fish to trigger toxic conditions," said Charles Purkett of the conservation department. "But PCBs are cumulative. They build in the body and are eliminated very slowly."

The fish had been bought commercially from sources in Green Bay, Wis., the department said, and the FDA has suspected high levels of PCB

in fish from that area for some time. The present fish, stocked last week, will be removed and the lakes will be restocked in about two weeks, a spokesman said.