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I am not happy that this can cause premature puberty in children [redacted]. I have PVC pipe bring water to my house, but I use reverse osmosis is it still there. Does it boil out? I have exchanged my nalgene style water bottles and will toss the rest of them. I do not like the idea of this in shampoo, soap, lotion and other personal care products and cosmetics that we use. I live in the SW [redacted] and pvc pipe has been used for decades for plumbing. I can't afford to hire a plumber to dig up my yard and replace it with copper. This is making me crazy and feeling guilty at the same time. Am I a bad parent if I do not replace and throw out? It is time to dig out grandma's pyrex and make sure I have enough for the microwave. Stop micro-waving frozen meals in their packaging. Stop buying canned food until they take the plastic out. When I was a kid, beverages were either canned or in glass. Plastic doesn't break but knowing it can cause cancer is so unappealing that I don't want bottled drinks in nothing but glass or cans with out plastic linings.

I am not over reacting, I am cringing because I ignored it at first and when I really thought about it I can't believe that so many people make money off of this, get paid to make it and sell it, research and comment it, write about it and on and on, and then no one had the courage to say, you know what we really shouldn't use it. In the end, shame on our government that is bowing down to industry and good for the Canadians that have made this front page news. In the public media it will be the consumer who will force industry to change when we don't buy their stuff any more. I feel bad for the nay sayers who are trying to keep their jobs and companies but I don't want to drink their cool-aid any more, it isn't good for us.

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