



At a Glance

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Why We Did This Review

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) is testing long-term monitoring results at Superfund sites the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has deleted from the National Priorities List (NPL). Neal's Dump Superfund Site, located near Spencer, Indiana, is one of eight sites being reviewed.

Background

Neal's Dump was contaminated with polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) from disposal of electrical equipment and other PCB-contaminated materials. EPA deleted Neal's Dump from the NPL in 1999, which signified clean-up goals had been achieved.

For further information, contact our Office of Congressional, Public Affairs and Management at (202) 566-2391.

To view the full report, click on the following link:
www.epa.gov/oig/reports/2009/20090304-09-P-0110.pdf

Results of Independent Groundwater Sampling at Neal's Dump Superfund Site

What We Found

The OIG obtained groundwater samples from two private drinking water wells on residential properties adjacent to the Neal's Dump Superfund Site on May 28, 2008. Groundwater samples from these residential wells have been part of EPA's long-term monitoring conducted at Neal's Dump. Our results showed that PCBs in the two residential wells did not exceed safe levels for drinking water. These results are consistent with EPA's monitoring results.

EPA Region 5 reviewed a draft of this report and had no comment.