

# EPA Tentatively Approves Disposal Expansion

## Wayne Disposal Inc.

Belleville, Michigan

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### Your opinion wanted

The EPA will take comments from the public on the proposed approval for PCB disposal expansion at Wayne Disposal Inc.'s landfill in Belleville, Mich. EPA will also consider requests to hold a public meeting.

You may comment on the proposed approval until Thursday, August 8. Comments may be submitted to:

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<http://www.epa.gov/Region5/waste/t sca/index.html>

### For more information

For additional information on the proposed approval contact:

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Wayne Disposal Inc. would be allowed to expand the company's current polychlorinated biphenyl disposal capacity by almost 12 million cubic yards if a proposed modification to its existing approval is granted by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The expansion would occur within the original boundaries of the facility located at 49350 North I-94 Service Drive in Belleville.

In April 2012, WDI asked the EPA to modify the company's existing approval for a chemical waste landfill to dispose of PCBs. The landfill is also supervised by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and received a state operating permit for the expansion area in May 2012.

After reviewing WDI's request, EPA tentatively plans to approve the application. Agency experts believe the company has shown the expansion does not present a risk to people or the environment. The approval outlines specific conditions under which WDI may operate the facility.

Before making a final decision on WDI's disposal expansion, the EPA is taking comments from the public (*see box, left*).

### Background

WDI first received approval from EPA to dispose of PCBs in the company's chemical waste landfill in 1997. Permission to manage PCBs was renewed in 2011. Approval of the disposal expansion request would allow WDI to develop its PCB capacity an additional 11.73 million cubic yards. The expansion would be located to the west of the currently operating disposal cells. The EPA regulates PCB disposal under the federal Toxic Substances Control Act.

## Proposed Site Development

