

Groups to file lawsuit against EPA over coal power plant

Sept. 14 -- Three environmental groups have notified the U.S. EPA of their intent to file a lawsuit because the agency has failed to set limits on toxic metal emissions from coal power plant over the past 26 years.

Coal plants discharge millions of pounds of toxic pollutants like arsenic, mercury, selenium and lead each year, according to environmental advocates.

Yet the existing federal rules, which have not been revised since 1982, fail to set any limits on these metals discharges, which can leach into local water supplies, as well as contaminate local waterways, according to the environmental groups.

The notice-of-intent document is available online at www.environmentalintegrity.org.

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