

Coinciding with the recent broadcast of the NBC-13 investigative report on Haleyville, a letter was released on November 16, 2006 by the *Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry* in Atlanta ... concerning "potential community exposures to contamination released from the Haleyville landfill in Haleyville, Alabama".

While not a regulatory agency like the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, their mission is, in part, to serve the public by preventing harmful exposures and disease related to toxic substances.

The letter states that through the Alabama Department of Public Health, they plan to conduct a public health evaluation to address these concerns. And they provide names and phone numbers that Haleyville area patients and doctors can contact:

Ms. Cheryl Browder

Alabama Department of Public Health
334-206-5973

Mr. Carl Blair

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry
404-562-1786

Ms. Leslie Campbell

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry
404-498-0473

An inside source at the *Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry* also stated "We are working with the State of Alabama Department of Environmental Management and the Alabama Department of Public Health to determine if any offsite waste could be exposing local residents ... And we are also checking with the EPA Water Division, to see if there is any sampling for the Buttahatchee River."