



Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
Province of British Columbia

Ambient Water Quality Guidelines for Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)

**Addendum to Technical Appendix (1992) and Overview
Report (2001)**

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The Water Protection and Sustainability Branch rescinds the 1992 B.C. approved Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) sediment quality guideline (WQGs) for the protection of freshwater and marine aquatic life of 0.02 µg/g listed in the Technical Appendix (B.C. Ministry of Environment and Parks, 1992) and Overview Report (B.C. Ministry of Environment, 2001). A working sediment quality guideline for total PCBs (ENV, 2020) is available for use.

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