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The Environmental Protection Agency is working to help monitor the chemical spill in Charleston, WV.

According to a spokesperson with the EPA, they have sent on-scene coordinators to assist with water sampling. They say they are ready to offer more assistance if requested.

An official with TCI America, a company that produces the chemical, says the chemical is considered non-toxic. The official says that the danger level depends on the concentration level in the water system. TCI America did not make the chemical that leaked into the Elk River. They are one of several companies that manufacture the chemical.

Angie Rosser, Executive Director of the West Virginia Rivers Coalition issued this statement:

"We are seeing today how dependent we are on clean rivers for our health and security. The immediate priority is for public health officials to determine the extent of the problem and to ensure the safety of public water supplies. Then, we must take a critical look at how to better protect our vital drinking water sources."

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