

**Regional training workshop on PCBs
and POPs wastes Kingston, Jamaica**

**Brief Country Report
St. Vincent and the Grenadines**

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National implementation plan

No plans have been developed to date.

Status of POPs wastes / PCBs in St. Vincent and the Grenadines

There is a designated area at the landfill, where POPs/PCBs are stored:

Transformers

Motors from fridges

Two 45 gallon drums with waste oil from transformers

Six repair shops with varying quantities of capacitors

The main electrical company discontinued use of transformers containing PCBs, which are now substituted by ozone “friendly” substances.

Obsolete pesticides were entombed in reinforce concrete, packed with charcoal and lined with construction plastic.

Spent oil drained from vehicles along with lead acid batteries are sent to Trinidad for recycling through a local company.

Challenges

Insufficient awareness on the serious impact of these compound on human and animal health, and the environment on a whole

There is no legal instrument to address POPs.

The NIP is not in place and need to be put in place as a matter of urgency

THANK YOU