

## Controversies: PPG Industries

- In April 2018, a federal judge of the US District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania held [PPG Industries solely liable for chemicals it has allowed to spill](#) into the Allegheny River over the last several decades. The lawsuit was brought by non-profits Penn Environment and the Sierra Club in January 2012, which alleged that the company violated the federal Clean Water Act and the state Clean Streams Law with unpermitted and untreated discharge of pollutants into the river. In April 2019, the US Department of Environmental Protection announced a settlement agreement with PPG Industries, including a [1.2 million USD civil penalty](#).
- In January 2014, the US Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) proposed fines totalling [69,000 USD for the death of a worker](#) at the company's facility in Barberton, Ohio. OSHA accused PPG Industries of wilful and serious safety lapses.
- Between 2010 and 2019, PPG paid 617,470 USD in fines for 7 environmental violations according to the violation tracker project of Good Jobs First.