

air pollutant

A substance, gaseous material or aerosol which has been introduced into the air (either by human activity or by natural processes) in sufficient concentration to produce a measurable effect on humans, animals, vegetation or materials (monuments, etc.): SO₂, NO₂, H₂S, CO, hydrocarbons, etc.

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