Plastic waste is dumped in communities by paper and plastic recycling importers.

We tested free-range chicken eggs from two communities in Indonesia where imported plastic wastes are used for fuel or burned at waste dumps and found high levels of very hazardous chemicals including dioxins, polychlorinated biphenyl (PCBs), polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs), short-chain chlorinated paraffins (SCCPs) and perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS). All these substances are regulated globally under the Stockholm Convention.