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On Aug. 6, the state-run oil company Ecopetrol reported that rebel sabotage of a pipeline in the northwestern region caused an 8,000-barrel spill. National Liberation Army (ELN) guerrillas dynamited a section of the 476-km. "Colombia" pipeline between Puerto Berrio and Remedios, Antioquia department. Although the Colombia pipeline is not yet operational, the bombing occurred when engineers were pumping crude to test line capacity. The spilled crude was dumped into the Ite river, which feeds numerous streams in the area. The same pipeline was bombed by rebels in mid-July, resulting in a 40,000-barrel spill into the Ite River. (Source: Agence France-Presse, 08/06/92)

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