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School graduate, founded the coalition in 1982 after angry residents in South San Jose exposed information showing that toxic chemicals had seeped into groundwater from an underground storage tank at Fairchild Semiconductor. In the 1990s, Smith and the coalition successfully pressed to win federal Superfund designations for 29 toxic sites in Santa Clara County.

Since then, Smith and the feisty group repeatedly have

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joined with the tech industry. He had a grudge match with Steve Jobs over Apple's reluctance to recycle products. He made Dell a scapegoat to pressure computer makers to recycle PCs for free. And he was a key player in a lawsuit against

IBM that ultimately failed to prove the company was responsible for a number of local cancer cases.

Smith said the SVTC now is focused on exploring new technologies, including nanotechnology and clean energy.

In 2005, Smith stepped down as the coalition's executive director and was succeeded by Sheila Davis.

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TED SMITH HAS BEEN THORN IN TECH'S SIDE

By Mark Schwahnhauser

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Environmental activist Ted Smith, who made a career of pricking the technology industry, said Monday that he will step down from the Silicon Valley Toxics Coalition at year's end to become a local "elder."

"I feel blessed and proud to have been part of building a movement for health and justice that has grown from a local effort to a thriving global movement," Smith wrote in an e-mail to "friends and colleagues" Sunday. "I am excited that I am moving into my next phase where I can 'take my place at the fire' as I learn how to become an elder."

The 62-year-old, who was serving as a senior strategist for the group, said he will continue to serve as chairman of the Electronics TakeBack Coalition, and to continue working with the International Campaign for Responsible Technology.

Smith, a Stanford Law

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