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Mr. Don R. Hanes,
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Dear Mr. Hanes:

Enjoyed chatting with you about the polychlorinated biphenyl news series currently being run by the SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE. I appreciate the problems you must be having in trying to communicate technical information in an objective manner in such an emotional atmosphere.

Enclosed is a copy of a summary booklet on polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB's) which summarizes recent environmental and health effects. Hopefully, the information and references to recent studies on potential carcinogenicity and other human health effects will be of value to you.

The other quotations in the booklet, such as Page 1, Section 5 attributed to the EPA spokesman in Atlanta, Georgia, are not noted with a specific reference. However, if this information is critical to your rebuttal, perhaps you can contact Mr. Dan Bishop, Director of Environmental and Science Communications, in our Corporate Public Relations Department. He may be able to help you with a more specific reference. His phone number is (314) 694-2891.

If I can be of further service, please contact me.

Cordially,

John H. Craddock, Manager,
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