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Mr. J. Joseph Hettinger,
Standard Oil Company,
Louisville, Kentucky.

Re: [REDACTED],
Birmingham, Alabama Plant

Dear Mr. Hettinger:

We have been delayed in sending you the report of our examination of the above man for the reason that we have been attempting to obtain some additional analytical results on his blood and urine. The physical examination gave a reasonable and adequate explanation of his difficulties, and we saw no clinical reason for suspecting that lead absorption was a factor in his present difficulties. However, on analyzing the blood and urine we found a relatively high blood concentration which did not seem to jibe with the low normal urinary lead concentration. In view of the importance of this factor in the man's history, it seemed advisable not to ignore this, but to check it in an effort to explain the discrepancy in the two results. We should not like to make a final report until this has been done. We are attempting to obtain additional samples through one of the physicians so as not to make it necessary for Mr. Williams to return here again. However, we have not had a response from the local doctor, H. P. Hart, but I hope we shall be able to get this taken care of promptly. Otherwise, I fear that we shall have to ask Mr. Williams to return, since this is much too important a point for us to make any assumptions on.

Very truly yours,

Robert A. Kehoe, M. D.

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