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Subject: Oct 12

Hi Bern,

Another great weather day here, plenty of sunshine, shirt weather and Oct 12, previously known as Columbus Day. I ran with the animal at 0430, got to Phila on the 0630 train, had a pretty good meeting with EPA, back on the 0908 train for a busy day at the shop. Chatted a couple minutes with Erin and Jen, confirmed we celebrate Erin's b'day at our place Sunday afternoon, will be great to see everyone, too bad this nice weather turns sucky that day, can always fire up a fire is chilly and moist. I don't think the Eagles play, that would be a good thing after last weekend with Arizona.

Meeting with EPA was to tell them more about the people drinking our surfactant from Parkersburg, we are shifting to a much better analytical method that will bring in higher numbers that may alarm citizens, regrettably EPA not really up to speed on its toxicity, may order that we supply drinking water even if no real risk. A debacle at best, the business did not want to deal with this issue in the 1990s, and now it is in their face, and some still are clueless. Very poor leadership, the worst I have seen in the face of a serious issue since I have been with DuPont.

Bush spoke last evening, I can't deal with looking at or listening to him, did you? Serious business, and there may be a roll for helicopters if we really do a search for Ben Laden or his chums. I hope our intelligence is very good or we risk having a team wiped out. Thin red line between heroism and lunacy.

Have you picked your type aircraft yet? I believe you were leaning toward a Blackhawk. I read the review of the new book by Halberstam, something War in the Time of Peace, subtitle something like Presidents and the Generals in the 1990s, said, among other things, that Wes Clarke wanted to use attack helicopters (Apache?) in Kosovo, but was vetoed for fear of lost life.

I dropped off my truck radio at Tweeter's last evening, hoping for the best, the old Panasonic is doing OK, but another step back in time. We are hoping the market will rebound, like everyone else.

Not sure about weekend chores, most likely raking leaves, nothing wrong with that, with Otto as my right hand dog.

Hope all is well at Rucker.

Love, -Dad, Mom, Erin, Jen, Cass, Reilly, Otto

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