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CHRYSLER BUILDING
405 LEXINGTON AVENUE

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INTER-OFFICE
CORRESPONDENCE

Dr. R. A. Kehoe
Cincinnati

Dear Doctor Kehoe:

This morning, Mr. Maxwell of the Legal Department of Socony-Vacuum Oil Company, Inc. called this office to advise us of a situation which they have in Boston which he felt that we might be interested in.

One of their employees in the Pipe-fitting Department, Mr. [REDACTED], who has been working for them since 1936 and who, during the past several years, has been engaged in tank cleaning, has recently suffered more or less a physical break-down which he attributes to exposure to lead while cleaning tanks. While he has taken no action against the company and still is in their employ, he has not been able to work since July 7th. At that time he claims to have had a complete mental blackout for a period of several days. Mr. Maxwell further informed me that there is evidence that [REDACTED] has been drinking rather heavily for the last several years and it is their opinion that this may have been the principal factor affecting his health.

The Socony-Vacuum Oil Company are anxious to have someone examine [REDACTED] who is capable of determining whether or not he is suffering from an occupational disease. If you are interested in making this examination or having a local physician in Boston handle it, I would appreciate being advised, since it will have to be arranged through Mr. Maxwell who is located here in New York at Socony-Vacuum's 26 Broadway office. There is one other person who is familiar with the case with whom you might deal — his name is James P. Riley, claim representative, attached to their Boston office.

Very truly yours,

J. A. Costello
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