

November 30, 1972

Dr. Mark P. Ettinger, M.D.
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Dear Dr. Ettinger:

This is in response to your November 19 letter inquiring about the lead content of white Dulux® automotive enamel.

We are pleased to advise you that the Dulux® white enamels contain no lead pigments. However, some of these products do contain traces of lead drier. In these products, the lead content is well below the 0.5% limit established by the FDA for paints used in and around the household.

As you might expect, some of the Dulux® enamel colors do contain lead and their use on surfaces which might be chewed by children should be avoided.

You might be interested to know that the Du Pont Company has for many years offered essentially lead-free paints for use on children's furniture and toys. By January, 1973, manufacture of all our paints intended for use in and around the household will be on an essentially lead-free basis.

If we can be of further help, please let us know.

Very truly yours,

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