

DuPont, Ethyl and this writer testified on behalf of lead's continuation. Numerous refinery company representatives also testified - more moderately than we have heard them in other cases. The automobile industry was represented by a western engineer of General Motors.

By-and-large, the Arizona hearings were quite reasonable. There were no spokesman for the Citizens environmental groups though there were some engineering professors who spoke strongly against lead.

It is not known what may next be expected from Arizona.

A copy of my testimony at Phoenix is attached.

CITIES

A. Buffalo - On December 21 the City of Buffalo, N.Y. passed an ordinance, with the following restrictions:

1. Each service station shall have at least one pump to furnish 1/2 gram maximum of lead per gallon as of September 1971.

2. No gasoline with more than 1/2 gram per gallon shall be sold after January 1, 1976 and,

3. No gasoline containing any lead shall be sold after January 1, 1980.

B. Dallas -

The City of Dallas is holding hearings on February 8 on a bill which is intended to duplicate Buffalo's.

C. New York City -

The New York City Council will hold hearings on potential New York action January 27, 1971.

Note: In view of the apparent limitations of the Federal Clean Air Amendments of 1970, it is not known whether such city restrictions and ordinances as described can be made legal.

It is quite likely this writer will testify at Dallas if hearings are actually held. I will testify before the New York City Council and will report to you later on what may develop.

GENERAL -

A) We recommend for your reading an article in the January issue of FORTUNE magazine, "Metallic Menaces in the Environment". This is a damaging article suggesting flatly that lead is going to be phased out of gasoline. It has been

very carefully prepared and there are few points which can be clearly knocked down. It is this writer's opinion that the article is unfair, more because of what it does not say than because of what it does say. We know of rebuttals being prepared, including our own. Primarily these rebuttals will take the form of letters to the editor of FORTUNE.

B) Mutual Broadcasting Radio - interview through arrangements made by Hill & Knowlton.

The Mutual Broadcasting Company will shortly embark on a series of 13 one-half hours broadcasts on environmental issues. Dr. Cole of ILZRO and the writer were interviewed on January 14. We covered "lead in gasoline" from the industry's point of view. The questions presented by the interviewer, Mr. Bill Bertenshaw, had been cooperatively arranged and though the general atmosphere was very informal, I believe the presentation will be worthwhile. We have been promised at least one week's notice as to the broadcasting time throughout the country and will advise you as much in advance as we can.

The balance of this report is concerned with other than lead in gasoline.

A) Lead-based Paint Poison Prevention Act (HR 19172) has been passed and was signed by the President the week of January 11. This bill says in effect that paints containing more than 1% lead shall not be used on interiors, nor on exterior surfaces such as porch railings, window sills or other surfaces which can be chewed upon by children. LIA worked with the National Paint, Varnish and Lacquer Association during the time of hearings on this bill. The writer supported the position taken by NPVLA by telegram to the members of the congressional committee involved, with many acknowledgements received.

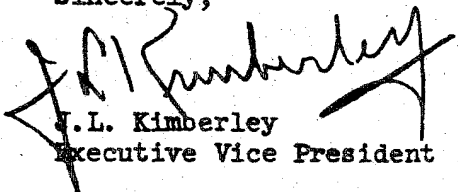
The bill is not ideal but neither is it as drastic as some versions given serious consideration would have been.

B) - Federal Water Quality Act - By mail of the week of January 11, U.S. members have had information from LIA on coming action as concerns plant water effluents. We must take this opportunity to emphasize that your company's cooperation in the development of effluent standards can be of great importance

CONCLUSION - If these thumbnail sketches of recent action prompt questions, do not hesitate to let me have them.

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Attach.

Sincerely,


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