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Mr. Bill W. Clade
The Hartford Times
Hartford, Conn. 06101

Dear Mr. Clade:

I appreciated receiving your call and am enclosing a statement from Monsanto which should help in your consideration of whether there is a story on the alleged effect on the environment by polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB).

This matter first arose in the United States when the San Francisco Chronicle ran a story late in February based on the work of a scientist in California. The deadline of that writer did not give us time to submit our side of the story. The enclosed statement contains facts which should have been presented.

I am enclosing some newspaper clippings which I thought might be of interest.

After reviewing this material, I hope that you will contact Mr. Tom C. Ford, manager, divisional public relations, in our St. Louis offices. His number is (314) 694-2887. I know Tom will be able to give you additional background information, as he has been following the situation since it first arose in February.

Feel free to call us at any time and we will be of whatever assistance we can.

Sincerely, MONS 089504

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