

25 Broadway, New York

OFFICE OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT

November 8, 1939.

Mr. James W. Laist,
Pennie, Davis, Marvin & Edmonds,
165 Broadway,
New York City.

Re: Johnson et al. Application,
Serial No. 178,352, for:
METHOD OF PRODUCING WHITE LEAD

Dear Sir:

I am sending you herewith copy of letter received from Mr. Case together with attached copy of letter from Mr. Knox, relative to the above noted application, which is self-explanatory.

Your prompt attention in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

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Enc.

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INTERNATIONAL SMELTING AND REFINING COMPANY

F. O. CASE
MANAGER OF MIDWEST DISTRICT



20 N. WACKER DRIVE
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

November 6, 1939

Mr. Frederick Laist,
Vice-President,
International Smelting and Refining Company,
25 Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Laist: Re: Johnson et al. Application,
Serial No. 178,352, for:
Method of Producing White Lead

With further reference to the above, I would call your attention to the original and copy of a letter dated November 2nd from Mr. Knox. In that letter he brings up certain questions which we would like to have answered by Mr. James W. Laist. This matter, I believe, needs fairly prompt attention and if we can get a reply to the enclosed, it will receive our immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

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in duplicate

enclosure

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INTERNATIONAL SMELTING AND REFINING COMPANY

East Chicago, Indiana

Lead Refining Department
G. E. JOHNSON
Manager



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ANACONDA SALES CO.
25 Broadway
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November 2nd, 1939

Mr. F. O. Case
Manager of Midwest District
International Smelting and Refining Co.,
20 North Wacker Drive
Chicago, Illinois

Re: Johnson et al. Application,
Serial No. 173,352, for: Method
of Producing "White Lead."

Dear Sir:-

In reference to letter from Pennie, Davis, Marvin and Edmonds, dated October 16th, relative to Patent Office action, date April 22nd, 1939, in the above noted case, which was forwarded by Mr. Laist October 17th:-

In the course of our attorney's discussion with the Examiner who is handling this application in the Patent Office, the Examiner expressed the view that "excess carbonation with compensating additions of sodium hydroxide to the anolyte" does not amount to a patentable improvement over methods of reference. Our attorney suggests that we meet this objection by filing an affidavit setting forth the nature of the unexpected results. Before preparing this affidavit, I wish to obtain the opinion of our attorneys on the following actions:-

1. Cancel Claims #2, #4, and #5.
2. Amend remaining claim, Claim #11, as follows:-

Claim No. 11:

Line 16 - After "subjecting" insert "a portion of" ---
Line 17 - After "anolyte" insert "the remaining portion
of the" ----
Line 18 - After "catholyte" omit "containing sodium
hydroxide" ----

The foregoing recommended changes should eliminate the objection which appears to arise from the use of words "excessive carbonation".

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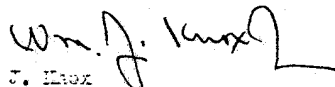
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Sheet #2 - Mr. F. C. Case

November 2nd, 1939

Claim #11, with the changes suggested, most clearly covers
the inventions which have resulted in the unexpected improvements.

Very truly yours,



W. J. Knox
White Lead Plant Superintendent

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