July 17, 1972

Dear Sir:

In February, 1971 we announced the reformulation of certain Pydraul® fluids to eliminate the use of PCBs (polychlorinated biphenyls) as components of the fluids. Since then we have gone even further and eliminated the use of any chlorinated compounds in our Pydraul fluids. Effective July 1, 1972 no Pydraul fluids will be sold that contain chlorinated compounds as a formulation component.

Our action on PCBs has been supported by the publication on May 14, 1972 of the Inter-governmental Agency PCB Task Force Report (COM-72-10419) which recommends the discontinuation of PCBs for all uses except as dielectrics in capacitors and transformers.

On March 18, 1972 the FDA issued in the Federal Register (Vol. 37, No. 54, pp. 5705-5707) a notice of proposed rule making on PCBs with respect to food, food processing, animal feeds and food packaging. The FDA is proposing that temporary tolerances be sent for a variety of foodstuffs and food packaging ranging from 0.1 to 5.0 parts per million PCBs.

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Furthermore, the FDA proposes the prohibition of PCBs in systems related to the processing of food, animal feed or food packaging.

In view of the foregoing governmental actions you may wish to evaluate their effects, if any, in light of past purchases of PCB-containing fluids from Monsanto. To assist you in carrying out any investigations you may care to make, we have attached a list of Pydraul purchases by your company each year from 1969 to the present. We have also attached a list identifying all our Pydraul fluids as PCB or non-PCB containing products.

Should you desire to properly dispose of any Pydraul fluids, Monsanto has established a high temperature incinerator facility at Sauget, Illinois. Details of how to avail yourselves of this service are also attached. In light of society's present concern with environmental pollution, high temperature incineration is the best method of properly disposing of waste organic liquids of any kind.

If you have any-further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

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