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Dear Ed:

I am enclosing copies of the correspondence from Tom Sinclair at Dow regarding the PCB problem in Michigan.

This includes a copy of a letter from Gene Heck, Research & Program Analyst, Republican Office, Michigan House of Representatives, along with a recent clipping from the Detroit Free Press.

Heck has talked to Charlie Badder, Dow's man in Lansing and Bill Wickham, legislative man for the Michigan Chamber of Commerce. He is asking for some expert advice on the subject of plasticizers, and has requested Badder and Wickham to have somebody talk to him in Lansing on Wednesday, October 20.

Jim Rollins is up to date on the Michigan PVC bill. The serious immediate danger is that PVC will be widely blasted in public hearings following October 26 , the hearing date on the bill to ban PVC. There is a good chance that House Bill #5486 could get considerable support and pass after the first of the year. You can see from the attached correspondence that the PCB question is being brought in to support the anti-PVC legislation.

We take this matter very seriously and believe Monsanto is the company best equipped to deal with the problem of separating plasticizers from this PCB bill.

Best regards,

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