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TO: PAINT MANUFACTURERS -

Enclosed herewith is a copy of two lead based coating ordinances which were approved by the Building and Zoning Committee of the Chicago City Council today. We understand they will be passed by the City Council tomorrow.

Attached to each ordinance is a summary of the highlights of the ordinance.

A meeting of all of our paint manufacturers will be held at the Tower club on Tuesday, February 29, 1972, at 2:30 P.M.; at which time we will have a general discussion of those ordinances, and answer any questions that you may have.

It is extremely important that a representative from your firm be present at that meeting, because July 1, 1972, is not far away, and you and your dealers have a big job ahead of you which must be done by that date.

Very truly yours,

Edward F. O'Toole
General Counsel

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Explanation of amendment to Chapter 100.

The following are highlights of this ordinance:

- (1) Effective July 1, 1972, all paints containing more than 0.06% lead (except varnishes, oil stains, floor paints, and coatings in aerosol cans) must be labeled as specified in this ordinance. The labeling is exactly the same as the wording that the Federal Food and Drug Administration proposed in the Federal Register on November 2, 1971.
- (2) Effective January 1, 1973, the exclusions granted with respect to varnishes, oil stains, floor paints, and coatings in aerosol cans will end.
- (3) The front panel must bear the following:

"Warning. Contains _____. Dried film of this substance may be harmful if eaten or chewed. Read carefully cautions on instruction panel."

and, elsewhere on the label, the following statement must appear:

"Do not apply on toys, or other childrens' articles, furniture, or interior surfaces of any dwelling or facility which may be occupied or used by children. Keep out of reach of children."

- (4) Assuming that all of your paints which contain more than 1% lead, now comply with label #14 of the recommended labels of the National Paint & Coatings Association, it will only be necessary to put a front panel sticker on such products.
- (5) Type size specified by this ordinance is the same as specified by the Food and Drug Administration.
- (6) The City absolutely refused to apply the ordinance to paints manufactured after a certain date in the future. Thus, all containers in the dealers hands must be relabeled. by July 1, 1972.

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