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September 23 1983

Occidental Petroleum
River Road
Burlington NJ 08016
Attn Irv Power

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Dear Mr Power

This office of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has received a complaint concerning safety and/or health hazard(s) involving your employees. The specific nature of the complaint and the address of the worksite are shown on the attached Statement of Complaint.

We have not determined whether hazard(s) as alleged exist at your workplace and we are not conducting an inspection at this time. However, since allegation(s) of violation(s) have been made, you should immediately investigate the alleged condition(s) and make the necessary correction(s) and/or modification(s). Within the time shown on the attached Statement, please advise me in writing of your findings and of the action you have taken. Your response should be detailed, stating specifically what action you have taken to abate any hazard(s). You should enclose any supporting documentation on the action you have taken such as monitoring results, ordering of equipment, and the like.

Section 11(c) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (Public Law 91-596) provides that No person shall discharge or in any manner discriminate against any employee because such employee has filed any complaint or because of the exercise by such employee on behalf of himself or others of any right afforded by this Act.

We have also listed on the attached Statement the Occupational Safety and Health Standards (Part Numbers of Title 29 of the Code of Federal Regulations) which we believe apply to the alleged hazard(s) and copies of these Standards are enclosed.

OCC 015846

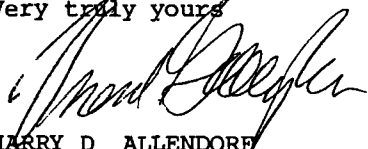
This letter is not a citation nor is it a notification of proposed penalty which according to the OSHA Act may only be issued after an inspection or investigation of the workplace. If we do not receive a response from you within the time shown on the attached Statement indicating that appropriate action has been taken an inspection may be conducted.

In addition OSHA's policy is to select for inspection a random sample of cases where we have received letters in which employers have indicated satisfactory corrective action to assure that the employer has actually taken the action asserted in his letter. Finally any action taken by you in this matter will not automatically remove your workplace from the possibility of an unannounced inspection by duly authorized representatives of OSHA in accordance with routine scheduling procedures currently in effect.

You are requested to post a copy of this letter and your response to it where it will be readily accessible for review by all of your employees. This letter and your response should remain posted for three working days or until a determination has been made that the hazard(s) as alleged do not exist at your workplace whichever is longer.

If you have any questions concerning this matter please contact our office. Your personal support and interest in the safety and health of your employees is appreciated.

Very truly yours,



(FOR) HARRY D. ALLENDORE
AREA DIRECTOR

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Attachment

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STATEMENT OF COMPLAINT

EMPLOYER S NAME Occidental Petroleum

ADDRESS River Road
Burlington, NJ 08016

WORKSITE ADDRESS Same

PLEASE RESPOND BY 10/23/83

ALLEGED HAZARD(s) AND APPLICABLE STANDARDS

Line 2 Banbury ~ 2nd Floor

1 Ventilation inadequate to remove smoke from overheated plastic Possible overexposure to air contaminants See standard 1910 1000(a) (1) & (2) (b) (1) & (2) and (c) as well as 1910 1025

Inadequate respirator air lines on 2nd floor nor are the employees warned when irritant material is released on first floor See standard 1910 134

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