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FROM NAME LOCATION PHONE: G.E. Paget Dept. of Medicine & Environmental Health -A2SD-4-4666

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SUBJECT Note of Phone Call From Mr. Harry Gilmer of
EPA at 10:30PM approximately on February 9, 1979

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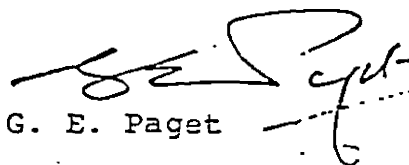
Mr. Gilmer rang me and asked what my feeling was about the finding of tetrachloro benzodioxins in the o-Chlorophenol spilled at Sturgeon. I told him that I did not think that the 37 ppb found changed our feeling that no hazard was involved either for the people of Sturgeon or for the WES crew clearing up.

He asked me what acute effects I might expect and I said that if any were found, it would be chloracne. He said one WES operative had a skin irritation, but it was not thought to be chloracne.

He asked me about the identification of the exact isomer. I said that was right outside my knowledge, but I understood that the analysts viewed it as being difficult to the point of impossibility.

He asked if other help was being sought. Again, I said that this was outside my field, but that I understood that other advise would be sought. He asked whether Dow would be consulted and I said that I understood that they probably would be.

I told him that if I could be of any help, I would be very glad to be and the conversation closed.


G. E. Paget

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