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Mr. H. Rutter
E. I. duPont de Nemours
Souviers Building
Newark, Delaware

Dear Mr. Rutter:

This letter will confirm your previous conversation with our Mr. J. S. Pullman regarding the Therminol FR fluids and the resulting PCB (polychlorinated biphenyl) problem.

As indicated in previous correspondence dated June 8, 1970 Therminol FR is a polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) and articles have been published indicating that PCBs have been discovered at some points in the marine, aquatic and wildlife environments. This chemical is a long-lasting, stable material and its ultimate effect in the environment is not known.

During the past year the FDA has posted guide lines of 5 ppm in food products and 0.2 ppm in dairy products.

Because alternate non-PCB heat transfer fluids are available we have taken measures to convert all Therminol FR users where even the remotest possibility of food contamination exists to materials such as Therminol 55 or Therminol 66.

In addition we have also discontinued all sales of FR fluids into any new systems independent of end use application.

We are sorry if this action has caused any inconvenience regarding potential new systems; however, we feel that in the long range plan it will be beneficial to all.

Should you have any questions please contact Mr. J. S. Pullman at our New York office or me at this location.

Sincerely,

J. J. Roder
Product Supervisor
Heat Transfer Fluids

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