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Environmental Health Department

November 24, 1981

To: Official Members
Members of the LIA Environmental Health Committee

From: Rosalind Volpe

Subject: Blood Lead Comparison Program

On November 6, 1981, a letter was sent out requesting data for the third quarter of 1981 (July 1-September 30). Included in the letter was a form for compiling biological monitoring results. The months listed on the form under Blood Lead, ZPP, Hemoglobin inadvertently read April, May, and June, instead of July, August, and September. Enclosed is a revised form. Please use this form when sending in your biological monitoring results. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Rosalind Volpe
Research Associate,
Environmental Health

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Report by: _____

Plant Identification: _____

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To: All Participants in the October 29-30, 1981 Physicians
Seminar on Occupational Lead Poisoning

From: Rosalind Volpe

Subject: Blood Lead Comparison Program

In mid-1980 the Environmental Health Committee requested that LIA compile biological monitoring data for the lead industry and provide participants with a statistical summary of the data. These summaries would enable individual plants or companies to compare their results with comparable companies in the same type of business as well as with the lead industry as a whole. There is an urgent need at this time to gather PbB data for potential use in the new OSHA rulemaking which will probably commence in early 1982. All member companies of LIA are requested to participate in this program, since the results will be more valuable and effective if a large number of companies is involved.

We are now asking all member companies for biological monitoring results for the third quarter (July 1 - September 30) of 1981; normal sampling practices should be maintained. The requested data are the same that would be made available on request to OSHA or to an employee representative. Because of the time required to translate the non-tape data you submit to the computer, we would prefer that the companies enter their data on magnetic tape. If a magnetic tape is not feasible, a revised form for compiling biological monitoring results has been enclosed. Companies which would prefer not to submit data on tape or these forms are requested to provide a summary of statistics which should be submitted with the following information: means, standard deviations, and percentiles by department.

Please keep employee identification constant throughout the data collection period so that at a later date it will be possible to retrospectively follow individual trends. We are not interested in individual names and, in fact, would prefer to have a code system.

Please forward your data to Dr. Peter Gartside at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center, Division of Biostatistics, Department of Environmental Health, 3233 Eden Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45267 (telephone number: (513) 872-5675).

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As stated at the LIA Environmental Health Committee meeting in October 1981, it is LIA's intention to publish quarterly summaries based on the data submitted. In June of this year, data for the second quarter of 1981 were requested and the results should be summarized by the end of November. In order to encourage participation, distribution of these summaries will be made only to those companies submitting data.

If you have any questions, please contact Rosalind Volpe, Jerry Cole, or Peter Gartside.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rosalind Volpe".

Rosalind Volpe
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