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October 30, 1972

Mr. Bill Hornsey
PPG Industries
P. O. Box 2200
Huntsville, Alabama 35804

Dear Mr. Hornsey:

Our files indicate that your plant may still be using Therminol FR fluids, and if this is the case, we want to review with you ~~once again~~ the desirability of discontinuing their use. Although we have received one part drum of Therminol FR fluid, we have no record of your returning the FR drain or flush fluid from your system.

Please advise the status of this other fluid return. If the fluid was shipped to us, we would appreciate receiving a copy of the bill of lading or other shipping papers so that we can try to locate the material.

In the event you have not drained the FR from your unit and converted to a non-PCB* fluid, we would suggest you seriously consider doing so.

In May, 1972 the Federal Government's Task Force on PCBs recommended against the use of PCBs as heat transfer fluids. Enclosed is a copy of a summary article on their proposals for your review. Also enclosed is a copy of a Wall Street Journal article which highlights restrictive action proposed by the FDA.

In April, 1972 our Mr. Papageorge sent a letter addressed to "Plant Manager" of your plant. You may want to review this letter for additional background on this PCB subject (a copy of which is enclosed).

*Polychlorobiphenyl

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You may be aware that some Federal and State agencies are sampling plant effluents and marine life looking for, among other things, PCB chemistry. If PCB is found, the agencies tend to determine the PCB source.

If there are any questions on the above or on converting to a non-PCB fluid, please feel free to contact me at (314) 694-2500.

Sincerely,

Paul W. Gunn
Project Coordinator
Heat Transfer Fluids

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Enclosures:

April Papageorge Letter
Govt. Task Force Letter
FDA Article, 3/20/72

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