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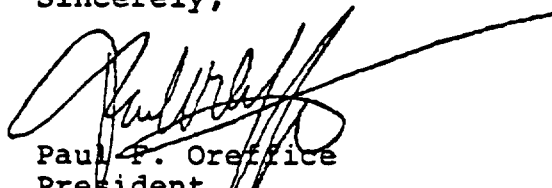
TO: MEMBER COMPANIES IN CHEMICAL
AND CHEMICALLY-RELATED INDUSTRIES

All of you have probably heard by now about OSHA's proposed new "comprehensive carcinogen policy." Attached to this note is a letter from your trade association describing the current situation, and seeking your participation and financial support.

I agreed to lead our effort to bring reason to the OSHA proposal because I am convinced the issue is of critical importance to all of us. I want to assure you that this task has my highest priority, and to emphasize that it will take a major effort from all of us to get the job done.

I hope you will generously support this effort financially, and that you will plan to testify at the upcoming hearings. We need you.

Sincerely,


Paul F. Orefice
President
Dow Chemical U.S.A.

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LIST OF AD HOC TASK FORCE COMMITTEES

ALTERNATIVES COMMITTEE -

To develop recommendations with respect to a positive proposal the industry can support for identifying and regulating potential carcinogens. Chaired by E. P. Blanchard of du Pont; administered by SOCMA.

ASSOCIATIONS COMMITTEE -

To encourage other industry associations to submit comments on the OSHA proposal, to provide a focal point for the distribution of materials relating to the standard and to provide overall coordination. Chaired by R. A. Lang of SOCMA; administered by SOCMA.

ECONOMICS COMMITTEE -

To supervise the economic analysis work of Foster D. Snell and to provide economic evaluation assistance to the Task Force, to other associations and to individual companies in preparing testimony for presentation at the OSHA hearings. Chaired by G. S. Dominguez of Ciba-Geigy; administered by SOCMA.

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE -

To consider the international trade implications of the OSHA proposal and to encourage foreign companies to submit their views to the U. S. Government through appropriate diplomatic channels abroad. Chaired by _____; administered by SPI.

LABOR COMMITTEE -

To encourage company contacts with local labor unions in an effort to develop labor support for the Task Force's position on the OSHA proposal. Chaired by _____; administered by _____

LEGAL COMMITTEE -

To provide legal advice to the Task Force and to review litigatory proposals. Chaired by _____; administered by Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton.

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PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE -

To encourage and assist companies in discussing the economic implications of the OSHA proposal with their Senators and Representatives so that they can discuss its implications with OSHA officials. Chaired by _____; administered by SPI.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE -

To assist the Task Force in its public statements and to make recommendations regarding contacts with the media which can assist in the overall effort. Chaired by James Hansen of Dow; administered by SOCMA.

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE -

To develop sound scientific and toxicological arguments to rebut those proposed by OSHA, to provide assistance to individual companies in developing such arguments, to maintain a library of relevant literature and to identify and contact potential outside witnesses. Chaired by Fred Hoerger of Dow; administered by SOCMA.