



CHEMICAL MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION

July 11, 1995

Dear Vinyl Chloride Health Committee Members:

The following items are enclosed:

- 1) the June 7, 1995 Record of Meeting;
- 2) interim report #1 (July 1, 1995) on the Update of Mortality Among Vinyl Chloride Workers;
- 3) preliminary protocol for Vinyl Chloride: Combined Inhalation Two Generation Reproduction and Developmental Toxicity Study in CD Rats. Caffey Norman informs me that ATSDR/EPA did not review the protocol on June 15 as originally scheduled. No new date for an ATSDR/EPA meeting is established yet. I will keep you informed on reproduction and neurotoxicity data needs issues as I receive new information;
- 4) Proposal for Prioritizing Candidate Agents for Consideration Under Proposition 65 by the OEHHA Science Advisory Board. Please note that vinyl chloride is (i) on the Tier 1 Agents list for screening by OEHHA for availability of data to begin prioritization; and (ii) on the Proposition 65 Priority List - Candidate Agents Under Consideration for Developmental and Reproductive Toxicity Evaluation. I will contact the appropriate Cal EPA personnel to discuss the status of vinyl chloride on both lists and to establish a liaison with them for future consideration; and,
- 5) the June 23, 1995 letter from the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company in response to Lillian Kelly's January 27, 1995 letter to me. Ms. Kelly identified the factory she referred to in her January 27 letter (copy attached) as a Goodyear plant. I therefore contacted Michael Smith to follow-up on the issue of alleged environmental concentration. Mr. Smith sent the enclosed June 23 letter to Ms. Kelly with a copy to me.

On a separate issue, I contacted Ms. Kelly to see if Richard Reitz can make a presentation at the public workshop on vinyl chloride risk assessment in a residential community immediately adjacent to a closed hazardous waste landfill. Ms. Kelly did not consider this specific public workshop an appropriate forum for a highly technical presentation, but she promised to make the Cal EPA risk assessment available to us for comments prior to its finalization. I will distribute Cal EPA's risk assessment to the Committee as soon as I receive it.

If you have any questions, please call me at (202) 887-1192.

Sincerely,

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