

TIDE WATER ASSOCIATED OIL COMPANY

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79 NEW MONTGOMERY STREET

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

May 5, 1938

LAW DEPARTMENT

Mr. E. W. Webb, President,
Ethyl Gasoline Corporation,
Chrysler Building,
405 Lexington Avenue,
New York City, New York

Dear Mr. Webb:

I am writing this letter to express my appreciation to your Company for the very helpful cooperation given in connection with a case before the California Industrial Accident Commission involving an alleged poisoning from the [REDACTED] leaded gasoline. The case involved was that of [REDACTED] Associated Oil Company (Tide Water Associated Oil Company).

[REDACTED] was employed by this Company in its testing laboratory at its Refinery at Avon, California. In connection with his duties he handled samples of leaded gasoline, particularly in connection with the running of distillation tests. He suffered from symptoms which he alleged were due to lead poisoning, and filed a claim against us in the Industrial Accident Commission. In combating this claim, your Company cooperated beautifully, and in that action Dr. Robert A. Kehoe appeared for us through your efforts as a witness.

Subsequently Mr. [REDACTED] died and his widow filed another claim, alleging that his death was the result of lead poisoning. Again, your Company cooperated and through your efforts Dr. Kehoe spent a week here, assisting in the defense of the case and appearing as a witness.

Never in my experience have I found any man so expertly qualified in his line of work as is Dr. Kehoe in connection with the subject of lead poisoning. His thorough knowledge and agile mentality were of great benefit to us in the defense of this case. He made a splendid witness and was of inestimable value to me as the attorney in charge of defense of this claim.

I have sent Dr. Kehoe a complete transcript of the record in this case which I feel will be of value to him and to you in connection with any similar claims which may hereafter be made.

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✓ I have not yet learned the outcome of the case, but
I confidently expect that the claim will be denied.

Yours very truly,

DANIEL W. HONE

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