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Dr. Robert A. Kehoe

My dear Dr. Kehoe:

I called on the Aetna Oil Refinery Company of Louisville, Kentucky, Wednesday, April 13th and found that several months ago they had received a car load of drums of Ethyl fluid from the Ethyl Gasoline Corporation on consignment. They did not have sufficient storage space on the Ethyl mixing platform at their refinery for these drums and it is my understanding that they advised our New York office of this and received permission to store these drums in a down-town ware-house. This is a general ware-house used for storage of oils, grease, and gasoline pumps. It is located at 18th and Magnolia Streets in a residence district. In fact, there is a residence located within twenty feet of this ware-house. It seems that our Mr. Mittnacht had the Louisville representative of our Insurance Company look over this ware-house to get the proper rate on these drums of fluid. Therefore, I am of the opinion that Mr. Mittnacht knew the condition under which these drums were to be stored.

Mr. Abbett, General Manager of the Aetna Oil Refinery Company, agreed to immediately move these drums up to their refinery and with a little crowding, was able to get the remaining 29 drums on the platform. Mr. Abbett agreed that before they receive another car load of drums, he would increase the size of his storage platform so that they would be able to take care of a full carload. They are using approximately 8 drums per month so that the fluid they have on hand will last them three or four months longer. Before another car load of drums is received, they will have ample time to build a new platform.

Very truly yours,

W.D. Siebenthal

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