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I appreciate your concern regarding the strong possibility that PCB in the environment will become a very emotional subject in Japan.

As you know, Monsanto made the decision to refuse to sell PCB's for uses where environmental pollution could not be controlled to avoid precipitous action by governmental agencies. The program is active in the United States and will be effective in the United Kingdom on March 1. We are working with the producers in Continental Europe to develop a similar program there.

To reduce the effect of any emotional reaction that might develop in your country I suggest strongly that MMK and Kanegafuchi Chemical agree to a similar approach.

I have attempted to keep you informed of the PCB situation with frequent mailings to Dr. J. B. Burland. If you are lacking any particular information, please let me know.

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