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PCB LABELS

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✓ At a meeting held yesterday attended by Cumming Paton, Bob Sido, John Haggert and myself the following was resolved:

1. All drums of PCB products will be yellow in color with a silk screened multi language statement concerning PCBs in English, Spanish, Portuguese, French, German, Italian, Dutch and Russian. The print shall be 14 point type news Gothic. The statement will read as follows:

Important - This product contains Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCB's) which some studies have shown may be persistent, an environmental contaminant and possibly injurious to certain forms of bird, aquatic and animal life. Prevent any entry into the environment through spills, leakage, disposal, vaporization, reuse of containers or otherwise. Spills, leaks and waste product must be collected. Use of this product must be restricted to applications which can be controlled so that entry into environment does not occur and for applications in which it cannot come into contact with food, animal feedstuffs or pharmaceuticals.

HARMFUL SUBSTANCE if taken internally or if in a prolonged contact with the skin CAUSES IRRITATION of skin and eyes.

Keep container properly closed. Store away from food and drink. Do not eat or smoke when using. Avoid breathing vapours, mists or fumes. Avoid contact with eyes or prolonged contact with skin. Do not wear contaminated clothing. Wash product from skin with soap and water. Wash eyes by flushing with water.

There will be different paste on labels for products destined for the UK and Europe and products used domestically. The major difference in these two labels will be the omission of a disposal statement in the UK and Europe label.

3. Bills of lading will contain the same notice as recited above, except with the following change. The last sentence of the notice concerning use of the product is deleted and is substituted by the following: "Keep away from food, animal

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feed stuffs and pharmaceuticals". This change in the statement was made based upon the premise that people dealing with the bill of lading should be advised of potential hazards present in arranging cargo for transportation. A statement concerning the use of the product therefore would not have the effect of wiring the cargo arranger of the potential hazards of placing PCBs near food products.

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