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Plant Manager
American Mineral Spirits
2275 Tucker Ind. Boulevard
Tucker, Georgia

Dear Sir:

This is a follow-up letter to the one Mr. Papageorge wrote you in April concerning the conversion of your Therminol® FR system. Since we have received no further word from your company, it may be your plant is still using Therminol® FR fluids. If such is the case, we want to review with you once again the desirability of discontinuing their use.

As you know from previous correspondence, Monsanto has responded to the increasing concern about PCBs by confining sales to certain limited end use applications.

In May, 1972 the Federal Government's Task Force on PCBs recommended against the use of PCBs as heat transfer fluids. Enclosed is a summary of their proposals. Also enclosed is a copy of a Wall Street Journal article highlighting restrictive action proposed by the FDA.

We want you to be aware that some Federal and State agencies are sampling plant effluents and marine life looking for, among other things, PCB chemistry. If PCB is found, the agencies tend to determine the PCB source.

In light of the above, we believe you should seriously consider converting your Therminol® FR system. In the event

you have converted to a non-PCB fluid, we would appreciate knowing the disposition of the used PR containing fluids.

If there are any questions on the above, please feel free to contact me at (314) 694-8514.

Sincerely,

Paul W. Gann
Project Coordinator
Heat Transfer Fluids

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Enclosures:
Federal Task Force Report
Wall Street Journal Article 3/20/72

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