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AROCLOR/
INSECTICIDE CARRIER

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A survey of plasticizer Aroclor sales indicates sales as insecticide carriers. The number of customers/ volume is small but in view of the attempts by certain scientists and others to link PCBs to DDT, we wish to discontinue sales to customers using Aroclors for this purpose.

Customer	Product	Application	Volume
Chapman Chemical	Aroclor 1262	Insecticide Carrier	~2,400 lb.
Chemagro	Aroclor 1254	Insecticide Carrier (Discontinue)	120 lb.
John Rooney (1)	Aroclor 1254/ 1260	Pesticide Carrier	Unknown
McCloskey Varnish	Aroclor 5460	"Stern" Termite Control	
Cooper & Nephew (2)	Aroclor 5460	Chlorinated Insecticide	~ 1,000 lb.
Continental Chemists (2)	Aroclor 5460	Lindane Insecticide	200 lb.
Unknown (3)	Aroclor 5460	Insecticide	~ 14 M lb.
Unknown (4)	Aroclor 5460	Insecticide	~ 30 M lb.
Norden Labs (5)	Aroclor 5460	Poison Carrier	400 lb.
Grand-O-Lac (5)	Aroclor 5460	Poison Carrier	500 lb.

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(1) American Mineral Spirits

(2) Central Solvents (Chicago)

(3) Hoosier Solvents

(4) Central Solvents (Santa Fe Springs)

(5) Missouri Solvents (Kansas City)

Emphasize:

(1) This action follows logically from our PCB notification letter.

(2) Only Aroclor 1200 series are PCBs; Aroclor 5460 is NOT. Why ban Aroclor 5460? In the emotional atmosphere generated on DDT/PCB, the Aroclor name is unfortunately erroneously equated with PCB. We want to avoid the backlash effect by discontinuing Aroclor 5460 as an insecticide carrier.

(3) We are asking the U.S.D.A. not to register PCBs for use in insecticides.

(4) We understand the U.S.D.A. does not encourage the use of carriers to prolong the life of insecticides/pesticides, etc.

(5) If the customer wishes advice on the "safety" of his product, he should contact the U.S.D.A.

There are several products that may be suitable as replacements:

Santolite MHP
Santolite MS-80%
Santicizer 261
Santicizer B-16
Santicizer 148
Santicizer 8

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We cannot endorse their use, however, that is the preserve of the U.S.D.A.

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