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Mr. R. A. Brown
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Dear Roy:

Proposed ANSI Standard Z66.1

If you accept the premise that any risk of lead ingestion is bad, then a reduction in the amount of lead in paint exposed to children must be regarded as progress. However, as we both know, there currently is not sufficient data to firmly establish what amount of lead in paint is "safe." In view of the federal regulations limiting lead to 0.5%, I would support adoption of the proposed revised standard provided that it is scheduled for early review as more data evolves.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Swain, Jr.

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