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To: Ad Hoc Planning Group for Vinyl Chloride Research

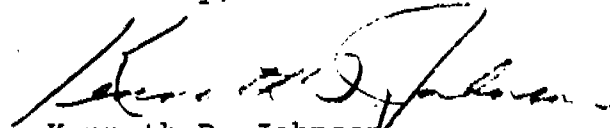
Subject: Minutes of the Meeting of December 14, 1971

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith are: (1) the subject minutes, and
(2) a list of designated contacts for this project for
those companies that have responded to the MCA mailing of
July 9, 1971.

Please let me know promptly if any errors or omissions
in either document are found.

Sincerely,



Kenneth D. Johnson
Secretary
Ad Hoc Planning Group on
Vinyl Chloride Research

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Enclosures (2)

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Manufacturing Chemists Association

MINUTES OF MEETING

Ad Hoc Planning Group for Vinyl Chloride Research

Holiday Inn. - Connecticut Avenue

Washington, D. C.

December 14, 1971

Present:

R. N. Wheeler, Jr., Chairman	Union Carbide Corporation
M. N. Johnson, M. D.	Monsanto Company
K. S. Lane, M. D.	Union Carbide Corporation
W. E. McCormick	B. F. Goodrich Company
T. R. Torkelson	Dow Chemical Company
N. G. White	Shell Chemical Company
K. D. Johnson, Secretary	MCA Staff

Guests Present:

Z. G. Bell	PPG Industries, Inc.
W. D. Harris	UNIROYAL, Inc.
W. M. Smith	Air Products and Chemicals Co.

Absent:

M. V. Anthony	Stauffer Chemical Company
N. V. Hendricks	Standard Oil Company (N.J.)
B. M. G. Zwicker	B. F. Goodrich Chemical Co.

1. Definition of Vinyl Chloride Problem

As an antecedent to considering the specific aspects of the proposed research program, the Planning Group concurred on the following concerns that should guide any decisions made on research protocols or other program elements:

- (a) The need to be able to reassure the public that polyvinyl chloride entails no risk to the user.

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5. Non-MCA Member Company Participation

The Planning Group approved, in principle, the admission of foreign producers to the support of the proposed program. This would be on a purely voluntary basis with explicit recognition that European personnel could not be included in the epidemiological studies.

6. Budget

The Group voted to ask the industry for a \$350,000 commitment for a three-year program. The budget breakdown was estimated as follows:

Vinyl Chloride Animal Exposure Program

Contractors' Costs	\$183,000
Vinyl chloride supply and other sponsor-furnished services	30,000

Epidemiological Study

Feasibility Study	20,000
Main Program	100,000

Contingency Funds	<u>17,000</u>
	\$350,000

With the correction of the error of omission of Shell Chemical Company (700 million pounds per year, reported monomer production capacity), the tabulation of production capacity distributed with the November 16 minutes of the Vinyl Chloride Conference, was held to be an adequate basis for proration of sponsor costs.

7. Implementation

The Secretary was asked to develop ballots and authorization forms for distribution to the concerned companies, soliciting their support for the proposed program.

Dr. Torkelson and the Secretary were asked to consult with Industrial Biotest in regard to their facilities for handling vinyl chloride supplies, and to develop the basis for the preparation of bid requests for the supply of the vinyl chloride that will be needed for the project, as discussed under item (2) of these minutes.

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