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FROM (NAME & LOCATION) J. E. Springgate - St. Louis

DATE : February 24, 1969 CC

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TO : T. C. FORD - TFORD

Attached is your copy of the proposed reply to the San Francisco Chronicle.

Please note that the first page of your report is unchanged from the original sent to me, but the second page has been revised and should be used as retyped.

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Attachment

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Q. Is Monsanto doing any work on this matter?

A. We are investigating the reports and conducting our own studies. (However, our work is not far enough along for any conclusions.) We find it difficult to see how detectable quantities of commercial product can appear in the marine environment. One possible answer is that the substance under question occurs from metabolism of natural materials or other unidentified substances. This is one of the points we are investigating. However, our work is not far enough along for firm conclusions.

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