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Dr. John C. Hammond
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Dear Mr. Hammond:

Our visit on March 24 was most enjoyable and certainly very interesting for me. To review the results of our discussion, Aroclor is a polychlorinated polyphenyl which is manufactured by our Organic Chemicals Division; I have enclosed a very general description from our most recent product catalogue; Aroclor, not the Agricultural Division's product alachlor (Lasso) was detected in the alfalfa meal and finished feed. I think it is only fair that I note that I am not at all sure that the product detected by Woodson-Tennent Laboratories is in fact a Monsanto compound but perhaps could be some other manufacturer's polychlorinated polyphenyl. They may be using our Aroclor as a standard. I am sure Woodson-Tennent Laboratories would be able to answer this question for you.

To further review our discussion, during our conversation with Mr. James G. Bryant of the Organic Chemicals Division in St. Louis a suggestion was made to direct further questions concerning Aroclor to:

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Since our discussion, several people have asked Monsanto representatives about the Aroclor-alachlor (Lasso) relationship. Therefore I am using a copy of this letter to explain the confusion to those who should know this answer.

We would also appreciate your help in explaining this difference to anyone who was involved. I'm sure you can understand our concern about a rumor starting that laboratories were finding our product Lasso in alfalfa meal and chickens. This could cause disastrous results.

Please give my best to Jack. If you have any further questions concerning any of the Agricultural Division's products or any of Monsanto's products, please do not hesitate to contact me at this office. Best regards.

Sincerely yours,

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