

July 8, 1963

Dr. John W. Newman
33880 Lake Road
Avon Lake, Ohio

Dear Doctor Newman:

Under date of April 29, 1963, Dr. Wilson wrote you regarding liver function studies to be performed on personnel at Avon Lake exposed to vinylidene chloride.

We have had occasion over the past several months to perform atmospheric studies of these operations and believe that the potential exposure of polymerizer cleaners is quite low. We do not believe that repeat examinations, therefore, are necessary, but we want to be sure that we do not assign any personnel who may already have pre-existing liver disease.

Therefore, we wish to have these studies performed on all employees who are either newly hired or newly assigned to the handling of vinylidene chloride. I think perhaps the most practical way of doing this is to have you retain at the Avon Lake Dispensary enough mailing tubes to accommodate these requirements. The serum, separated from the blood cells, should be mailed here as soon as possible following the collection of the specimen.

Very truly yours,

W.E. McCormick, Manager
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