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Marie Haring-Sweeney
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Dear Marie:

As requested, I am sending you a copy of the protocol for the epidemiologic investigation of the health status of Monsanto employees with past exposure to chlorophenols, chlorphenoxy acids, and their dioxin contaminants at the W.G. Krummrich plant in Sauget, Illinois. I discussed your request with Drs. William Gaffey, Dan Hryhorczuk, and James Spraul, and there were no hesitations, especially since the NIOSH study and the Northwestern/ Monsanto study are very similar. If you have any questions about the protocol, I suggest that you contact Dr. Hryhorczuk, since he is the principal investigator for the Northwestern/Monsanto study. If there are specific questions regarding the identification of the exposed and unexposed study populations, I should be able to help you.

In addition, I welcome your visit to Monsanto to discuss the Northwestern/Monsanto and NIOSH medical studies of employees who have been exposed to dioxin contaminants. Dr. Spraul and I will be able to meet with you the afternoon of Friday, October 11, 1985 as planned. Hopefully, we will be able to answer most of your questions, although we may have to defer a few to Dr. Hryhorczuk. Please let me know if there are any changes in your itinerary. If there are no changes, I will meet you at the St. Louis airport and we will take in lunch somewhere before our meeting.

Sincerely,

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Epidemiologist

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