

April 25, 1935

Ethyl Gasoline Corporation
Manufacturing Department
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Attention: Mr. A. P. Stover

Dear Mr. Stover:

I have gone over the regulations which you sent me on April 18th and I think they are generally quite satisfactory for the purpose for which they are intended. I have only one reservation concerning them. In the last sentence of Section 2 (a), and in Section 6 (b), reference is made to various types of gloves. The only thing important about these gloves is that they should be kept free of Fluid. It is, of course, of some consequence to protect the hands of men who must handle heavy articles of this sort. However, from the point of view of lead exposure, it would be infinitely better if these men wore no gloves than if they were to continue to use gloves which have been contaminated with Fluid. I think, however, it should be specifically stated at both of these points that if the gloves come in contact with the Fluid, they must be either cleansed carefully if they are rubber or canvas, and that they must be discarded at once if they are leather. I am not interested especially in the phraseology of this, but this is a source of definite hazard and in my opinion it should be specifically so indicated. I anticipate the response that this is all included in Section 1 (a). However, my experience with rules and regulations is that if there is a point which can be mis-interpreted or omitted, it is certain to be done. Repetition of certain important points, therefore, come to be a necessity. Perhaps, therefore, we should add a sentence at each of these points to the effect that rubber gloves which have come in contact with Fluid in any amount should be cleansed at once with kerosene or gasoline and then soap and water, that canvas gloves should be immediately discarded and laundered, and that leather gloves should be removed at once and destroyed.

Very truly yours,

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