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Split Chime on Aroclor Drum

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On the morning of 4-18-67 Les Lehman received a call on a leaking drum on a trailer of parathion. Investigation revealed this drum to be Therminol FR-O (a mix of 80% Aroclor 1242 and 20% TTCB).

The truck driver stated that the leak was caused by a split chime. The drum was turned upside down and the load sent on to New Orleans. The drum and the contents will be returned to Anniston.

We experienced a considerable number of similar situations in parathion prior to modification of the shipping containers. A year and a half ago we added two reinforcing embosses on the drum bottom. Since that time we have not seen a single split chime due to fatigue. We (including H. L. Gray) feel this has been 100% effective.

We strongly recommend that the same type of reinforcement be adopted for Aroclor drums. This involves the manufacturer having to set up a different type mold. This should not add any additional cost to our drums.



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