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Mr. Sam Bimonte
Eastern Industries
100 Skiff Street
Hamden, Connecticut 06514

Dear Mr. Bimonte:

We are contacting your firm as a manufacturer of equipment which may contain one or more of the Therminol FR series heat transfer fluids. Therminol FR series includes Therminol FR Lo Temp, Therminol FR G and Therminol FR 1. As you are probably aware, the Therminol FR series contains polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) of various types.

As you are undoubtedly aware, the PCB concentration in our environment has increasingly come under the scrutiny of various governmental agencies and scientific laboratories. In some studies, certain PCBs have been found to be persistent, an environmental contaminant and, possibly, injurious to certain forms of bird, aquatic and animal life. Accordingly, it is very important that PCBs be kept out of the food chain.

Effective immediately, we are instituting a policy of restricting sales of the Therminol FR series to existing heat transfer systems which are presently utilizing the Therminol FR series and do not involve food or food related products. We would appreciate your discontinuing the use of the Therminol FR series in any new equipment sales and discontinuing any recommendation of the Therminol FR series in your literature. In accordance with this policy, the Therminol FR series will no longer be available to your firm.

We would like to point out, however, that certain Monsanto products which are sold under the Therminol trademark, namely, Therminol 55, 66, 77 and 88 do not contain PCBs and will continue to be available for new heat transfer systems and for replacements of existing systems. While these are not classified as fire resistant, proper design, operation and maintenance and the use of appropriate protective devices should minimize any added fire risks. We would

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appreciate your continued use and recommendation of Therminol 55, 66, 77 and 88 in both new and existing systems.

I would suggest the use of Therminol 55 as a replacement for the Therminol FR 1. Simply drain the system and refill with Therminol 55. We have also enclosed labels which can be used to attach to the used containers of Therminol FR 1 for return to us for disposal. The fluid can be returned freight collect.

Should you have any questions, please contact your local Monsanto representative, J. S. Pullman in New York at (212) 922-4111, or me.

Sincerely,

James J. Roder
Product Supervisor
Heat Transfer Fluids

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cc: Miss Ann Flynn
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