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Dr. R. A. Kehoe,

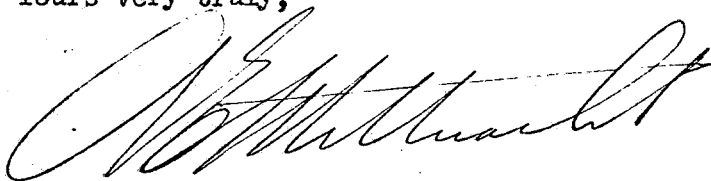
Dear Dr. Kehoe:

Attached hereto is copy of letter from Mr. J. N. Fitz Gerald, our Canadian representative, together with copy of memorandum from Dr. Evans of the Imperial Oil Limited to Mr. Ross, also of that Company. We also enclose a copy of our today's reply to Mr. Fitz Gerald.

We hope that you will be able to get into this matter without delay because we know you will realize its importance because of it occurring in Canada and in view of the present English situation.

We would appreciate a report on the case after you have handled it and would suggest that you communicate direct with Fitz Gerald, whose address is c/o Imperial Oil Limited, 56 Church Street, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, advising him when you or one of your assistants will visit Toronto in order that he may make the necessary arrangements.

Yours very truly,



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Toronto May 2nd, 1928.

Mr. A. E. Mittnacht,
Secretary-Treasurer,
Ethyl Gasoline Corp.,
25 Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Art:

I am enclosing herewith a report on a case of lead poisoning which occurred at the Sarnia Refinery of Imperial Oil, Ltd. No doubt I should notify Dr. Kehoe of this first, but was not sure that he was at his office, as the last report I had on him was that he was over in England investigating health complaints there.

This case happened about two weeks ago and it was only through a visit I made to Dr. Evans, Medical Advisor for Imperial Oil, Limited, regarding the booklets Mr. Webb sent over concerning the study of health hazards associated with the distribution and use of Ethyl Gasoline, that I found out about it.

The enclosed copy of letter will give you a fairly good idea of the complaint. I might mention that when I was with the Imperial Oil Company, I spent about four or five weeks at their Sarnia Refinery and I happened to remember this chap [redacted] who is concerned in this case of so-called lead poisoning. He has had quite a bit of trouble for some time previous to his working in the Lab., and there is no doubt at all, at least I don't think there is any doubt, but that it is some old trouble cropping up again. This is highly probable because he does not come in direct contact with the Ethyl Fluid, that is the concentrated Fluid, as he only handles the Gasoline after the mixing has taken place. Therefore, under the circumstances, it seems hardly possible that there would be any chance of lead poisoning.

What I would like to know is, do we investigate complaints of this nature through our Medical Department ourselves, or is it up to Imperial Oil, Limited to look after cases of this kind? There seems to be some doubt in the mind of Dr. Evans regarding this and I have never been informed as to what our policy in these matters, is. Mr. Victor Ross turned all the data regarding this case, over to me and if we are to conduct an investigation ourselves, why I will go right ahead with it. If not, I will turn the whole matter over to Dr. Evans to straighten out, but I would also work with him on it to make sure that everything was conducted along the lines of our policy in this matter. Would appreciate very much hearing from you as soon as possible in this regard.

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Mr. A. E. Mittnacht

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Would appreciate it very much if would let me know
just as early as you can regarding the health hazard proposition
as I would like to take same up with Dr. Evans without further delay.

Sincerely yours,

Fitz.

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