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ANNISTON - AROCLOR WASTE CONTROL

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Memorandum

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At a meeting on December 9, 1970, it was decided that we would move toward total liquid Aroclor production at WOK and, to quote from the minutes (J. L. Corder has a copy),

"PCB pollution capital at Anniston should be held to a minimum consistent with the phase-out and reasonable control of chlorinated terphenyl".

While only capital is mentioned, expense is also important.

Your 12/15 memo confirms that we will complete three major expenditures --

- 1) Limestone pit clean-out (\$17,000 expense)
This is needed to attain the continuing benefits of the second pit already installed. Two pits, well managed, are probably needed to give reasonable control of chlorinated terphenyl.
- 2) Reester-clarifier pilot unit (\$11,000 expense)
This should be completed to give design data for WOK, Newport and our customers. I agree that some accounting approach should be found to avoid burdening Anniston manufacturing with this cost, because it is unlikely that the technology will be applied at Anniston. I don't see how chlorinated terphenyl control would justify it.
- 3) Biological consultants (\$4500 more in '70, \$18,000 in '71).
Since PCB's may persist in streams for a while after production is stopped, this expenditure is probably needed through '71.

I cannot agree that the "Toxicological Account will be \$10M/month in 1971, (\$6700 over present budget)...." We simply cannot afford it. Project Development work, in particular, is unrealistic. Even with liquid Aroclor production suspended, we may fail to make 10 ppb by 9/1/71 because of sludges in the stream bed, but a waste treatment system is no answer to that.

I would like to hear from you as to what it would take to get back to the budget level in the Toxicological account, assuming relief on cost of the pilot unit.

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