



CHEMICAL MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION

June 6, 1994

Dear Vinyl Chloride Research Coordinators:

The following items are enclosed:

- 1) agenda for the June 13, 1994 conference call;
- 2) the May 19, 1994 Record of Meeting;
- 3) Dr. Richard Reitz's vinyl chloride risk assessment presentation;
- 4) historical perspective on the inter-industry vinyl chloride study;
- 5) benefits of updating the inter-industry study of vinyl chloride workers; and,
- 6) revised scope of work for the update of the 1986 epidemiology study.

Item numbers 3 and 4 were sent to you earlier; however, they are enclosed again for reference in your discussions with your management. When deciding whether to commit your company to update the vinyl chloride epidemiology study, please use \$300,000 as the estimated budget. This budget includes: epidemiology study cost; Dow Chemical's cost for designing and monitoring the study; data transfer cost from ENSR to another contractor if necessary; other consultant costs; contingency; and, CMA administration. The CMA administrative services will address: the epidemiology update; short-term exposure effects study; EPA's anticipated TSCA Section 4 testing; other ATSDR activities; EPA's risk assessment activities; and, response to the American Chemical Society on the TIME Magazine article.

Your company's pro-rata share will be based on your 1993 nameplate capacity for vinyl chloride. One-half of the actual commitment must be received by CMA prior to the execution of a contract and the other half would be due six months after the contract execution date. We will review the company responses to update the vinyl chloride epidemiology study on our June 13 conference call.

Prior to the conference call, Dr. Jonathan Ramlow should send me the estimated cost to provide designing and monitoring services for the update of the epidemiology study.

All other company representatives should call me with their decisions relating to participation in the update prior to the June 13 conference call.

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David Penney should send me a draft response to the American Chemical Society on the TIME Magazine article.

If you have any questions, please call me at (202) 887-1192. I am looking forward to talking to you on June 13.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

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