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QUERY: What does Monsanto think about the bill recently introduced by Congressma Ryan against PCB?

ANSWER: We believe it is impractical to attempt to legislate into being what has already been accomplished.

QUERY: Ryan calls PCB a "deadly" chemical.

ANSWER: "Deadly" is a relative term. We decided to control PCB because it is a persistent chemical, and persistent is a significant term when speakin about PCB.

QUERY: What are you doing at the Krummrich plant?

ANSWER: We are building a fractionating column which will remove persistent form of PCB, and we have an incinerator under construction to destroy PCB which cannot be recycled.

(Several questions followed concerning background of the PCB problem. Material from the files was used.)

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