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June 30, 1977

Mr. George F. Wirth, Chief
Special Chemicals Branch
Office of Toxic Substances (WH-557)
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Washington, D.C. 20460

Dear Mr. Wirth:

Enclosed is a letter we are sending to our customers notifying them that we will stop accepting polychlorinated biphenyl ("PCB") waste returns effective August 31, 1977.

Our incinerator was built to dispose of our PCB production unit's residue and to assist our customers to dispose of their waste. This incinerator was designed to handle only "straight" PCBs or those contaminated with an organic solvent such as trichlorobenzene. As stated in our letter, we now have substantial volume of PCB waste on hand which must be disposed of, along with our production unit's residue and whatever residue remains from the shut down and decontamination of our PCB production facility.

This action is in line with Monsanto's announcement to shut down our PCB manufacturing unit and exit the business by October 31, 1977. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

J. Coleman Weber
Manager
Product Acceptability
Specialty Chemicals Division

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Enclosure

cc: J. A. Alley

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Dear Customer:

Monsanto will stop accepting polychlorinated biphenyl ("PCB") waste returns effective August 31, 1977. We now have substantial volumes of PCB waste on hand which must be incinerated along with our production unit's residue before the incinerator is decontaminated and shutdown later this year. For this reason we are not able to accept any significant volumes between now and August 31st.

The American National Standards Institute's publication ANSI C107.1 -1974 lists the following firms as having incineration facilities capable of handling PCB's.

Chem-Trol Pollution Services, Inc.
P.O. Box 200
1550 Balmer Road
Model City, New York 14107
Phone: 716-754-8231

Rollins Environmental Services, Inc.
P.O. Box 2349
Wilmington, Delaware 19899
Phone: 302-658-8541

It is, of course, your responsibility to determine the adequacy of the incineration facility for the disposal of PCB waste and its compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

Sincerely,

James A. Alley

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