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Don't dump used Askarel

Askarel should not be disposed of carelessly, because of the posibility that some species of wildlife may be adversely affected, says W.B. Papageorge, manager of environmental control for Monsanto Co. Amounts actually being found in the environment are extremely small, he adds, making the problem of environmental control very difficult. Monsanto, however, has been asked to control losses at levels considered impossible in the past, to prevent Askarel from entering the environment even in trace amounts.

Safe disposal of Askarel that is contaminated beyond the point of recovery and reuse constitutes a major part of Monsanto's control efforts according to Papageorge. Many users do not have access to facilities that permit proper disposal of this material. Monsanto is offering its disposal facilities to those who do not have such facilities, as a service to their customers. Askarel to be disposed of should be shipped to Monsanto. The material will then be stored until an incinerator to handle it can be installed later this year.

Utilities are asked to ship their scrap Askarel to: Monsanto Co, Sauget, Ill. 62201, c/o Supervisor, Dept. 246.

The fluid should be shipped in heavy-duty drums. Monsanto is presently charging 3¢/lb of material returned for processing. This charge does not include freight or container costs. After the incinerator goes on line and actual disposal costs have been determined through experience, this charge will be reviewed. ■

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