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July 21, 1971

Mr. John Wilhelm
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Dear Mr. Wilhelm:

This will confirm our telephone conversation of July 20, 1971 regarding conversion of your do-nut cooker from Therminol FR to Therminol 55.

We are pleased that you are agreeable to making this change as quickly as possible. As indicated in previous correspondence dated June 8, 1970 Therminol FR is a polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) and articles have been published indicating that PCBs have been discovered at some points in the marine, aquatic and wildlife environments. This chemical is a long-lasting, stable material and its ultimate effect in the environment is not known.

During the past year the FDA has posted guide lines of 5 ppm in food products and 0.2 ppm in dairy products.

Because alternate non-PCB heat transfer fluids are available we have taken measures to convert all Therminol FR users where even the remotest possibility of food contamination exists to materials such as Therminol 55 or Therminol 66. In your case we recommend Therminol 55.

I am enclosing literature and prices on Therminol 55. I am also arranging that two drums be sent to your attention at no charge. You should drain the Therminol FR from your system as thoroughly as possible -- which means removing essentially all of the FR fluid. You can then add the Therminol 55 and resume system operation.

Also enclosed are labels to place on the drained FR fluid for return to the address shown. We will pay the return freight.

Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely,