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Dear Dick:

Thank you for your letter dated July 19, enclosing the Synopsis of a research proposal on PCB's. Since 1966 there has been a great deal of research into various aspects of PCB control.

As an example of the current body of knowledge I am attaching the bibliography of referenced studies supporting the EPA's criteria document on PCB's; you will note there are 417 studies.

References 83-128 relate to studies of PCB in aquatic environment. Citations from 300 to 349 relate to metabolism of PCB's. Reference 350 - 417 include reports on surveys of PCB levels in various water systems.

A more recent versar contract with EPA covered possible methods of reducing PCB levels and assessed economics of carbon treatment and other methods.

I hope that this information gives you some background as to the extensive work existing in this area and will permit you to judge if the study you are considering will add important additional data.

I would be interested to hear in due course what you decide, since I like, if possible, to keep myself up to date on current studies in progress.

Sincerely,

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