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Dear Mr. Gross,

Thank you for your letter of July 5, 1990. Please convey to Mr. Gaffey my apologies for the delay that has ensued since he last wrote to me directly. His letter to me of May 11, 1990, contained substantial attachments that I had to try to digest, as well as suggestions and statements that I had to try to follow and confirm.

Would you please write me again, after conferring with Mr. Gaffey, telling me what you and he would consider a satisfactory phrasing of the retraction he wishes me to print? Although it may seem clear to you exactly which words in Rachel's Hazardous Waste News #171 are the subject of dispute between Mr. Gaffey and myself, it is not entirely clear to me precisely which words he would like me to retract. Precise clarification of Mr. Gaffey's wishes in this matter is essential to a satisfactory resolution.

In addition, may I ask for clarification of another issue that continues to confuse me? Monsanto issued a press release October 9, 1980, carrying a headline, "STUDY FAILS TO LINK AGENT ORANGE TO DEATHS OF INDUSTRIAL WORKERS." I am enclosing a copy of the press release. The press release announces results of a study by Zack and Suskind. What confuses me is that all of the numbers in the press release would lead one to believe that the press release was describing a study later published not under the names Zack and Suskind but under the names Zack and Gaffey. It would help me understand who said what if Mr. Gaffey could throw some light on the study that the press release describes and his relationship to it (if any).

Sincerely yours,

Peter Montague

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