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Dr. J. Wister Meigs
310 Cedar Street
New Haven, Connecticut

Dear Dr. Meigs:

Your article in the current number of the JAMA is certainly confusing to me. We have had men exposed to concentrations of chlorinated diphenyl four or five times what you have recorded for periods of five to ten years and have had no chloracne.

Could you tell me which Aroclor was used? I notice you have referred to the product they manufactured as organic acid A. Are you at liberty to tell me what that product was? If you are not, does it contain any chlorinated compound or is any chlorinated compound used as an intermediate? Is organic acid A the only product this plant manufactures? And if not, are any other chlorinated compounds, such as pentachlorophenol, 2,4,5-T, 2,4-D, or DDT manufactured?

Very truly yours,

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Medical Director

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