

Interoffice Memorandum

November 24, 1981

TO: Gary Herrman *YBrah*
FROM: Has Shah via Gerry Cox *bk*

SUBJECT: Authorization for payment to EHA

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Subject to Protective Ord
Ross v. Genaro, Inc., No. 92
14th Judicial District Court
Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana

I wish to request authorization for payment of \$11,495.00 to Environmental Health Associates (EHA) as per the attached invoice. Payment is for services provided the Vinyl Chloride Program Panel as requested (Re: November 28, 1979, Record of Meeting). The work performed constitutes the feasibility phase of a proposal for an update of a vinyl chloride epidemiology study (attached). Twenty companies are supporting this feasibility and subsequent full epidemiology study.

For the past several months, CMA has been involved in contract negotiations with EHA to undertake the full epidemiology study. To date we have not been able to write a contract that will meet both parties' requirements. CMA has requested that the Panel reassess the situation before any further effort is made.

Cost reimbursement for the completed feasibility study is included in the payment schedule that is part of the draft contract. The original intent was to negotiate one contract for both the feasibility and epidemiology studies. The Vinyl Chloride Program Panel has committed \$303,000 for these two studies (EHA cost to complete, \$220,000; CMA administration, \$35,000; and contingency, \$48,000), of which \$134,205 has been collected by CMA.

Since negotiations are stalemated and it is unclear if we will reach an agreement, I wish to reimburse EHA for that portion of the work already performed. The Panel Chairman, Dr. Ted Torkelson, is also urging CMA to make payment as soon as possible.

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Date

December 4, 1981

TO: Vinyl Chloride Program Panel
SUBJECT: Up-date of Epidemiology Study

The Vinyl Chloride Program Panel meeting scheduled for December 16, 1981 has been cancelled due to the unavailability of several key supporters of the epidemiology study. A new meeting date is tentatively set for January 20, 1982.

In the interim I would appreciate a reaction (by phone or memorandum) to the present situation. There is also a new proposal to be considered that would split the present study into two parts corresponding to Phase I and Phase II of the present EHA study proposal. A separate contract agreement would be drawn up for each phase. The work product at the end of the first study would include: 1) updated study tapes, and 2) hard-copy summary of data on the tapes and an indication of the completeness of records. EHA would then develop a protocol for the second study and submit a bid for completion. At this point we would have the option of taking the study protocol to another contractor or continuing with EHA.

I look forward to hearing from you on this matter.

Sincerely,

Carol R. Stack

Carol R. Stack, Ph.D.
Administrator
Vinyl Chloride Program

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