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Circular Letter
No. W-231

COPY FOR MR. Dr R A Kehoe

TO ALL DIVISION MANAGERS

Gentlemen:

This is to report we have had another serious accident. Again, there is some mystery surrounding the case, but the facts are briefly these:

Gulf was cleaning a leaded storage tank (no record of blending) at Cleveland, July 16th. Our safety engineer again went over tank cleaning instructions with the management four days before the tank was cleaned. Of the three men that went into the tank in violation of our regulations, one of them died and the other two wers seriously ill. The reason we are writing this is not to try to place the blame on anyone for neglecting to carry out the rules promulgated by our Medical Department, but to inform you of the facts that you may take measures to prevent a similar occurrence in your territory.

I do not believe publicity should be given this or any specific reference made to the company or place or number of men involved. We must take it upon ourselves to supervise personally, by being in attendance, the cleaning of all tanks where there is any question of a blending record, and as many ordinary leaded gasoline storage tanks as ~~it is~~ possible.

Very truly yours,

J. C. Taylor

By O. S. Lewis.

W:GCL
cc: Members of Safety Committee
Messrs. R. Bevan
Les Roberts
Allan Tully

August 6, 1937

Mr. R. V. A. Bevan
Thames House
Millbank
London, SW 1, England

Dear Ray,

We have today sent out the attached letter to our Division managers. It may be Dr. Kehoe or this office will have further information for you some time in the future.

Very truly yours,

O. B. Lewis.

W:GCL
Enclosure
cc: Dr. R. A. Kehoe
Dr. G. Edgar
Mr. H. W. Kaley
Mr. John Schaefer
The above letter was also sent to Mr. Alan Tully and Mr. Lester Roberts

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