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Dr. Willard Machle
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Dear Bill:

Thanks for your report of July 23 relative to the situation at Baton Rouge as contrasted to that at the Dye Works.

Personally, I am firmly convinced that a great deal of our excretion results are dependent upon the possibilities which arise out of the smelter stacks as they are at the present time. I am further of the opinion that we should wait until this condition has been corrected under the proposed plan before we consider making any further improvements. I have been very much concerned about this condition for a long time but have been advised on repeated occasions that the amount of lead coming out of these stacks was insignificant. This, unfortunately, was purely a guess as more recent observations have indicated. I do believe that a large percentage of our potential difficulties will be relieved when this condition is taken care of.

I will be glad to discuss this further with you when you come to Wilmington.

Yours very truly,

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