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SUBJECT Analysis of Pydraul "E" and "C" Series Fluids for PCB

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Do what you need to [illegible]

We have discussed the recent upset with General Motors on possible PCB contamination of the new Pydraul fluids. As you know, we have confirmed that we are "clean" and that no PCB's were found in Pydraul 312 C or Pydraul 50 E down to the detection limit of 0.5 ppm.

Although we have no reason to believe there are PCB's in any of the new Pydraul fluids, the recent incident with GM has demonstrated the possible consequences of finding PCB's in our fluids--we would certainly have lost the Pontiac business and our entire GM business would have been in danger.

Although the first batches of N_2CP and Pydraul 50 E were analyzed and no PCB's were found, we need to be on safe ground with all of the Pydraul blends--at the same time recognizing economic reality. I suggest we run samples of an early lot and a recent lot of each of the Pydraul E and C series fluids (total of 10 fluids). This would mean a total of 20 samples and an estimated $500 cost. We should start on the analyses immediately so that complete information is available if needed.

May I have your comments.

J.H. Davidson

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