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Dear Bob:

I would imagine that some members of our Committee--those who receive Food Chemical News, in particular--will have noted the report in the publication about the paper Bill Randolph of FDA's Petitions Control Branch, gave last week at a World Health Organization/Pan American Health Organization Seminar in Managua, Nicaragua. As you know so well, Bill had told the two of us about the paper while he was obtaining clearance for its presentation from his superiors at FDA, and prior to the time when it was given.

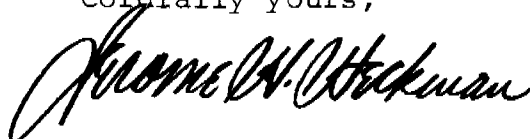
This morning I was able to obtain a copy of the paper from Bill and we have now reproduced the presentation with his permission. I feel quite sure that all of the members of our Committee will find much of the information in the paper of general interest. I might note, in passing, that while there is perhaps nothing truly "new" in what Bill reported to the Latin American group that attended the meeting, he has done an excellent job of summarizing some of the history of the Food Additives Amendment and its application to plastic materials. We were particularly pleased to note his reaffirmation of the prior sanctioned status of many of the basic polymers since, believe it or not, we continue to get questions from various parties about the basic regulatory posture of such polymers as polyvinyl chloride. Perhaps having Mr. Randolph's presentation for a good reference point will help the members of our Committee to answer some of the questions they receive from their customers.

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After you have had an opportunity to look
the enclosed document over, we would be glad to have
any comments or questions you might care to give us.

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jerome W. Heckman".

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