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Dr. Robert A. Kehoe
Kettering Laboratory, University of Cincinnati
3223 Eden Avenue
Cincinnati, Ohio 45267

Dear Doctor Kehoe,

I am writing to you to obtain a clarification of blood lead test values.

We are an industrial firm that, in addition to other safeguards, periodically has Kettering Laboratory analyze blood samples of certain employees for determination of blood lead.

Our understanding is that, generally blood lead scores of over .060 Mg. Pb/100 grams of blood was cause for concern, while results of over .080 Mg. Pb/100 grams indicated dangerous exposure.

Earlier this month, for the first time, the Analytical Section of Kettering Laboratory added a rubber stamp to its report of test results, with the following text (also see photocopy attached):

Normal Blood Lead Values

	Microgram %
Range	10 - 40
Mean	18
Std Dev.	3

Frankly, I am confused by that text, which seems to contradict, or at least oversimplify, previous reports and test data.

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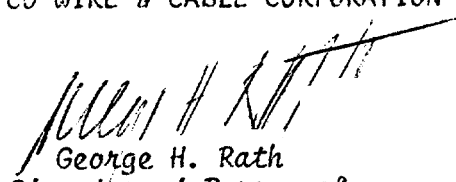
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I would appreciate hearing your comments on what blood lead levels are "of concern" and what blood lead levels are "dangerous." Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

ETTCO WIRE & CABLE CORPORATION



George H. Rath
Director of Personnel

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Attach.

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Results

<u>Name</u>	<u>Analysis Number</u>	<u>Weight Grams</u>	<u>Lead Microgram %</u>
[REDACTED]	78A-1753	7.9	23
[REDACTED]	78A-1754	9.4	19
[REDACTED]	78A-1755	10.2	21
[REDACTED]	78A-1756	8.8	36
[REDACTED]	78A-1757	6.8	25

Normal Blood Lead Values

	<u>Microgram %</u>
Range	10 - 40
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