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Dear George:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of a very nice letter from Dr. Goddard which I received yesterday. As you will note Dr. Goddard has acknowledged receipt of a copy of our April 14 letter to the full Committee by means of which we supplied everyone with copies of the FDA hallucinogenic drugs release.

We are very pleased with Dr. Goddard's commendatory comments and we trust that you and the other members of the Committee will feel the same way.

While writing to supply you with a copy of Dr. Goddard's letter, we thought we would also take this opportunity to bring everyone on the Committee up to date with regard to our Olefins Polymer Regulation problem. You will recall that the last step taken was our filing of a letter with Mr. Randolph on April 12 indicating that the amending language he had proposed to take care of the copolymers question would be satisfactory to us.

We have been in touch with Mr. Randolph regularly since our letter was filed, and have been informed that the formal amendment of the regulation to include the language he suggested was being handled as promptly as possible. One reason for the delay is the fact that the recent resignation of Earl Detwiler has left an unfilled gap in the administration staff as far as the Division of Food Standards and

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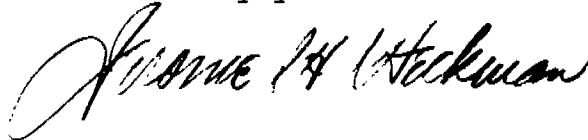
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Additives is concerned so that there has been difficulty in obtaining this Division's comments on any proposal.

As of yesterday, Mr. Randolph informed us that the amending order has been placed in final form, has been circulated through all of the technical divisions, and is now simply awaiting the usual initialing by the FDA front office. Final action can be expected momentarily, we believe. As soon as we have word from Mr. Randolph about a publication date, we shall advise you further but, in the meantime, there need be no concern by anyone that present products will present a problem.

If you have any questions concerning the olefins polymer situation prior to our writing to you further, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Cordially yours,



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Dear Mr. Heckman:

I appreciate receiving your letter of April 14 advising me of the steps you have taken as Counsel for The Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc. to publicize my April 5 open letter to chemical suppliers on LSD-25 and other hallucinogenic drugs.

The cooperation of your association on this problem is particularly welcome because of the grave public health hazards which may occur from the diversion of chemicals that can be used to synthesize LSD-25.

I will be interested in any information you may receive from members of your association as a result of your initiative in publicizing the open letter.

You are to be commended for your public-spirited efforts.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Goddard, M.D.
Commissioner of Food and Drugs

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