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Will, I disagree with your statement that "the polysulfide market has accepted two Monsanto plasticizers, Aroclor 5432 and Santicizer 335, as replacement products for our withdrawn Aroclor 1200 Series". The reason for my disagreement is that Thiokol, who should know more about polysulfide than anyone else, refused to endorse Aroclor 5432 or any other Aroclor to replace the 1200 series. In addition, they have no knowledge of Santicizer 335 and neither do I, what is it?? Maybe I should introduce it at Thiokol.

Also, Thiokol informs me that many of their customers are using chlorinated paraffins or imported PCB's to replace the 1200 series. Thiokol and several polysulfide compounders have flatly stated "there is no good replacement for A-1254!"

Now, getting back to Sonneborn, their Research is located at DeSoto in Des Plaines, Illinois, so any new suggestions must be studies there. Also, Sonneborn's Belleville, location is being closed on November 1 and portions will be moved to Columbus, Ohio. Hopefully they will continue to use S-261 as they do now.

I do agree with your point about imported PCB's. But thus far, Sonneborn has looked at all our suggestions, and they feel they must continue using PCB's until something else proves acceptable.

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