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FROM (LOCATION) cc: R. Emmet Kelly, M. D.

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SUBJECT : Therminol Leak Incidents

REFERENCE :

TO Therminol FR-1 File

Don Roush of the Functional Fluids Group, ~~In~~Organic Division, called to tell of the two following incidents of Therminol leaks:

1. Pennwalt Company in the Philadelphia area had a rotary joint failure in their Therminol (Aroclor 1242) heat transfer system presumably yesterday. Today three men failed to show up for work and the union has filed a grievance. One of Roush's men on the East Coast is at Pennwalt today to obtain more details.

   It appears also that a Mr. Pittelli of the Occupational Health Section, Philadelphia City Health Department, has been investigating this incident. Roush would like us to call Pittelli tomorrow morning at 215--MU.6-5155.

2. Mrs. Paul's Kitchen in New Jersey uses a Therminol system for frying fish. They have just put a new fryer in operation which had a failure in a welded joint and Therminol (Aroclor 1242) leaked into the cooking fat. The leak was quickly detected because of odor in the hot fat.

   The fat was drained off and the leak isolated and repaired. Tests are being run on the new fat which has been put in the system to see if there is any Aroclor in it.

   A Mr. Bailey of Mrs. Paul's Kitchen believes that only one day's production of fried fish may have been adulterated. They do expect to look at the previous day's production.

   We may or may not get a call from Mr. Bailey concerning this situation.

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