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SUBJECT GENERAL ACCIDENT, FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY INQUIRY ABOUT PCB'S

REFERENCE

TO :H. S. Bergen
General Offices

On 5-13-71, I was contacted by a local independent insurance investigator, Mr. Tom Freeman, representing the above insurance company. Mr. Freeman indicated that he was unable to reach Bill Papageorge and had then called me. He stated that he would like to obtain any published information on PCB's, bulletins, etc., and that he would also like to talk to someone about what PCB's are, why Monsanto discontinued selling them, what customers we sold them to, etc.

At this point, I told him that if he would explain the reasons behind his request that I would route it to the appropriate company officials, in Bill's absence, and that they would have to decide if such an informational session could be set up.

Apparently, the situation is as follows:

The insurance company insures Rozansky Feed Company who is in turn being sued for damages caused by the PCB's present in the bakery meal product they sell. The damage claims are being filed by at least 12 companies that purchase this material from Rozansky and probably amount to something on the order of $100,000 - $250,000. Mr. Freeman indicated that the names of some of the companies filing claims are as follows:

Brick Milling Company
C&D Poultry
Hitchcock Farms
Thompson Feeds
United Farm Coop
Berlin Milling Company
Central Intercounty Coop
Agway Feed Company

We have analyzed a number of samples for PCB's for two of the companies involved - Rozansky Feed Company and Agway Feed Company.

Mr. Freeman's phone number is 863-0050, should it be necessary to contact him.

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