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Monsanto Industrial Chemicals
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Dear Sirs:

I am writing to you as a concerned citizen and as a graduate student of environmental Biology at Fordham University. I am presently researching the topic of polychlorinated biphenyls for a class concerning the problems of conservation and pollution. In regard to this two General Electric plants have recently been cited for dumping PCBs into the Hudson River. The source of these chemicals is your corporation.

I would appreciate any information or literature you may be able to provide me with that will explain the industrial uses of PCBs. I am particularly interested in your company's assessment of the impact of PCBs on the environment.

In a well known New York newspaper, Monsanto has said that they are considering the discontinuation of the sale and production of PCBs. If possible could you please inform me as to why the company has come to discontinue such a marketable item and what, if anything, may be substituted to meet industries' demand for that which will produce the same effects without detrimentally affecting the environment.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully yours,

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