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Geraldine Goodstone
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Dear Geraldine:

In order to meet the medical surveillance requirements of the OSHA Vinyl Chloride Standard, two physicals are required annually for certain employees. However, the periodic examination requirements are limited in scope in comparison to the normal exam content offered all other employees. The requirements for this physical are listed in Attachment I. This protocol currently applies to the Lake Charles VCM Plant and the Aberdeen Chemical Plant.

The Aberdeen Plant also handles lead compounds and is subject to the OSHA Lead Standard. To meet the medical surveillance requirements of this standard periodic physicals are also required for some individuals. These requirements are also in Attachment I.

The Baltimore Chemicals Plant does urinary phenols and blood chemistries on a six month interval for individuals exposed to benzene. In the past this has been done with a local laboratory. However, we would now like to have this done by Met-Path to maintain quality control and assure computer compatibility with our other medical testing results. The tests required at Baltimore are in Attachment II.

To do this testing, I think it is obvious that a van would not be required. Therefore, I would request that you make available the necessary personnel, nurses, technicians, etc., to accomplish this, at a mutually agreed upon price. The testing at these locations would be scheduled similar to the testing at other times of the year.

Please Let me know if you have questions concerning this subject.

Sincerely,


Thomas G. Grumbles, Director
Industrial Hygiene

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Attachments

cc W. W. Massad

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SCREENING PROTOCOL FOR PERIODIC VCM EXAMINATIONS

Occupational & Exposure Histories

Physical Examination

Blood Chemistries (see Attachment III)

Hematology (see Attachment III)

Complete Urinalysis w/Microscopic

Health Status Report

The periodic exam at Aberdeen will include all of the above as well as Blood Leads on identified individuals with Lead exposure.

Attachment II

SCREENING PROTOCOL FOR PERIODIC BENZENE EXAMINATIONS

Interm Medical History

Interm Exposure and Work History

Laboratory Studies (to include blood work and urinary
phenols -- see Attachment IV)