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SUBJECT: PCBs

REPORTER & MEDIA: Allen F. Richardson
Chemical Marketing Reporter

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QUERY AND RESPONSE:

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Q: The subject of PCBs has received considerable attention here in New York because of the situation involving fish caught in the Hudson River. We are doing a story on PCBs and understand that Monsanto is the sole U.S. producer of the material. Is this true and what products contain PCBs?

A: Responded with information contained on PCB Q&A sheet including the fact that Monsanto decided to voluntarily restrict sales in the early 1970s, the benefits imparted to electrical equipment through the use of PCBs (fire safety and electrical efficiencies) and a listing of the products containing PCBs prior to the sales restriction.

Arranged for a follow-up phone conversation between the reporter and William Papageorge. During their conversation Mr. Papageorge covered general information relating to PCB chemical characteristics, the control procedures existing at Monsanto's manufacturing plant and the existence of PCB manufacturers outside the U.S.

SOURCE OF ANSWER: Q&A Sheet
W. B. Papageorge

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