

ARABIAN AMERICAN OIL COMPANY

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

Ras Tanura

November 25, 1963

Mr. Felix Pretsch
c/o D. Barnes
1038 Biltmore Place
Lakeland, Florida

Dear Felix:

As you may discern from the enclosed correspondence, there is some confusion regarding the efficacy of "weathering" TEL sludge from gasoline storage tanks.

Has Tamira management is anxious to implement the procedure recommended by the Ethyl Corporation but, at the same time, is concerned about Octel's lack of agreement with this procedure. Since I do not concur with Octel's test results, it has been recommended that we perform a trial of sludge weathering in January or February. At that time, it is proposed that we obtain appropriate sludge and atmospheric samples periodically to be forwarded to Kettering Laboratory for organic lead determinations.

The purpose of your visit to Kettering would be to discuss the protocol for this study; to obtain more specific details regarding environmental precautions in sludge weathering procedures; and, perhaps, to obtain an estimate of the cost for the analytical procedures contemplated.

Cordially,

R. H. ARMERUSTER, M.D.
District Medical Director

Original Signed by
R. H. ARMBRUSTER, M. D.

FHA: EYE

Encls: Octels: Technical Notes Jan. 10, 1962
Dr. Princ: Presentation AFI Nov. 18, 1962
Letter to Dr. Kahoe Nov. 23, 1963

1849 Ketchikan - 3 and 4 - do in copy of the letter
to the President - same as the letter to the Secy