EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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Dear Mr. Mason:

I have been advised of the communication between the Monsanto Company and Dr. Edward J. Burger, Jr. of our staff on various aspects of the family of chemicals known as polychlorinated biphenyls. I appreciate the assistance which you have offered this Office and to the Government in their continuing study of these chemicals.

It is our understanding that Monsanto Company will supply us with certain information regarding the domestic manufacture and sale of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB's) in order to assist in the Government's study of the present and future build-up of PCB's in the environment.

Pursuant to your request, this information will be treated on a privileged and confidential basis and will not be disseminated to the public or outside of the Government except as a necessary inclusion in any report released by the Office of Science and Technology or any other Government agency or organization.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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