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Houston, Texas

Thank you for your letter of January 21, 1982. We appreciated the opportunity provided on January 13, 1982, to review certain RESD activities in industrial hygiene, toxicology, and epidemiology as well as health/product liability litigation in Jefferson County.

RESD will continue to provide the lead in coordinating the work with Texaco USA and Texaco Chemical Company in assisting the Legal Department in ongoing litigation. The next suit, Voorhies, et al, could come to trial as early as April.

High priority has been given to the action item identified at our meeting of improving communications with the community, our customers, and Texaco employees concerning health and product safety information. RESD staff met with Texaco USA Public Relations personnel last month and are planning to meet with Corporate Public Relations staff this month to establish strategy in communicating results of the Texaco Mortality Study and the American Petroleum Institute Study on used motor oil.

The possibility of adverse publicity regarding the NIOSH Cytogenetic Study at the Neches Chemical Plant has been reduced somewhat since the agency has agreed to the stipulations Texaco Chemical made in order for the study to begin. NIOSH no longer considers a search warrant necessary.

Additional details on this and other related material will be forthcoming in the near future.

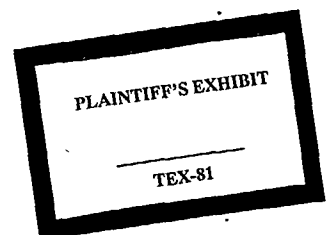
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