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Dear Mr. Titus:

Thank you for your letter of May 27 regarding the rapid lead test described by Drs. Sayre and Wilson. I do not believe that the details of the test are given in a sufficient manner to judge if the method would be as adequate as a standard analysis of lead. However, the method does appear to be useful as a screening device to determine the presence of lead in paints as long as it is used for this purpose and if no interpretation as to actual percentage of lead content in the paint is made, then I do not see why it could not serve a useful purpose.

I am sorry that I took so long to reply to your original request.

Sincerely,

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