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DATE: July 23, 1974

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SUBJECT: PCB Analysis - Mississippi River

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On July 23, 1974, at approximately 10:00 a.m., Mr. Joe Gehr and Craig Timmerman from Battelle Northwest Testing Labs visited the Waste Treatment Plant and talked to Fred Albowitz concerning the best method of collecting water samples from the River.

I met the two men at the Waste Treatment Plant and escorted them through the Monsanto Terminal and the Union Electric property so that they could obtain the water samples.

Their firm has been retained by the Federal Environmental Protection Agency to collect water samples upstream and downstream from the Sauget outfall. Two, one gallon samples were collected using plain brown jars (used acid jars). Samples are to be sent to the lab by air express and analyzed for PCB's.

They stated that they would travel downstream approximately 1 days river flow to collect water samples to be tested for PCB's. Duplicate samples were retained and taken to the lab on July 23, 1974, at 12:00 p.m., to be analyzed for PCB's.

The upstream sample was taken at the Union Electric Cahokia Power Plant, and the downstream sample was taken at an acid barge being loaded at the Monsanto River Terminal.

During the time in which we were sampling, I asked them if they were doing this type of sampling at any other locations. They stated that they were sampling all over the United States for many different materials, but that only four locations were to be sampled for PCB's. They said that they had to sample in Los Angeles for PCB's and also in Tennessee.

They had not sampled for PCB's at any other locations and were not sure of the sources to be sampled in Los Angeles and Tennessee.

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