



CHEMICAL MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION

April 4, 1980

Theodore R. Torkelson, Sc.D.
The Dow Chemical Company
Midland, Michigan 48640

Dear Dr. Torkelson:

I received your letter of March 25, 1980 requesting Mr. Seawell to continue as the Project Administrator for the Vinyl Chloride Project.

Special Projects' demands for staff services have increased considerably. In order to provide timely services and reduce the work load of each Project Administrator to a manageable level, the Chemical Manufacturers Association (CMA) has recently added to its staff Carol R. Stack, Ph.D.

I fully agree with you that vinyl chloride is not a dead or dying issue and this project will have considerable activity for a long time. Joe is currently working on acrylonitrile, ethylene dibromide, phosgene, titanium dioxide, trichloroethylene, and vinyl chloride. Evaluation of the existing work load forces me to conclude that transferring the vinyl chloride project from Joe to Carol is the only solution for reducing Joe's work load to a more manageable level. I have discussed the issue of work load leveling with Joe during the last two weeks and informed him this morning of my decision to transfer the vinyl chloride project to Carol.

We at CMA have a high regard for Joe and I want to assure you that CMA will make every effort to make this transition a smooth one over the next several months. Carol is currently working on the benzene, chlorobenzenes, styrene, and rubber additives projects, and is now very familiar with CMA and panel procedures. Her biographical sketch is enclosed with this letter. Joe, however, will be available in an advisory capacity to the project after the transition.

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I will inform all panel members of this change within
the next couple of days.

Sincerely,

Hasmukh C. Shah

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Director, Special Projects

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cc: Z. G. Bell, Jr.

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