February 14, 1973

Dr. Griffith E. Quinby
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Dear Dr. Quinby:

You have brought up three items in your letter of February 5 which reached my office today.

First, as far as frequency burn-out of ballast in fluorescent lights is concerned, I have no idea of the frequency. I have seen no statement issued by Monsanto with regard to such frequency. Certainly if one exists it would surprise me, but I would be happy to see a copy if you find one is in existence. In this matter, however, I am asking Mr. William Papageorge, who has received a copy of your letter, to answer you.

Your second topic refers to a consulting editor for your proposed manuscript who would be willing to review it. I would be very happy to serve in this capacity.

Your third question relates to the opinions of Hakkinen et al. concerning the occupational toxicity of diphenyl. It is my opinion that the 1968 TLV of 1 mg/M^3 for diphenyl is satisfactory. I, likewise, must state that should levels reach one and two magnitudes larger than this I would not be at all surprised if disability occurred. In animals, respiratory irritation occurs at approximately 5 mg/M^3 and none of this has been reported in the United States In this connection, I think you should know that the patents held on these applications are not held by Monsanto and the development work on these applications was, likewise, not done by Monsanto.

Sincerely,

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Medical Director

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cc: W. B. Papageorge
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