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Ms. Beverly Macy
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Dear Ms. Macy:

Confirming our telephone discussion today, Pydraul®-F9 hydraulic fluid was a product manufactured by Monsanto prior to early 1972 when it was discontinued. Pydraul F9 contained approximately 52% polychlorinated byphenyl (PCB) as Aroclor® 1248.

At this time period PCBs were found to be bioaccumulating in the environment due to their chemical persistence and stability. As a result Monsanto voluntarily ceased sales of all products containing PCBs such as hydraulic fluids and other products which did not constitute "totally enclosed uses" to prevent environmental contamination.

Monsanto still sells hydraulic fluid products under the Pydraul® trademark (other identifying code numerals and letters such as the F9 designation are different and identify these products as non PCB formulations).

If I can be of further assistance please let me know.

Sincerely,

John H. Craddock, Ph.D.
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