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HIGH LEAD CONTENT SPRAY PAINT

Following is a summary of the information regarding the lead content of Du Pont spray paints:

The old Du Pont spray paint line contained a color, Hunter Green, which contained about 6.5% lead and was appropriately labelled. This paint was packaged by Sprayon Products, Inc. for Du Pont and was not labelled as Lucite® spray paint. Marketing of this line was discontinued in February, 1970.

The new spray paint line contains Bronze Green (the color identified in the Chicago papers as containing 9% lead) which does not contain any lead. Marketing of this line of Lucite® spray paints was begun in March, 1970.

It seems quite possible that the National Bureau of Standards' analysis, referred to in the Chicago papers, was actually performed on Hunter Green and not on the Bronze Green as they reported.

In a call from Paul Leach, Public Relations Department, I was told that this information would be forwarded to the Chicago papers* that printed the original article, as well as through you to Commissioner Burns, Chicago Commissioner for Consumer Affairs.

If I get any more information, I will let you know.

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