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Re: [REDACTED] vs: Standard et al

Doctor Robert A. Kehoe
Kettering Laboratory
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Doctor Kehoe:-

Probably I am disgustingly negligent in not having previously told you of the developments in the [REDACTED] case in South Carolina in which you rendered such able assistance.

You will recall that at the second trial the jury found a verdict in favor of our co-defendant, the filling station lessee, but found a verdict against us in the amount of \$60,000. We appealed to the Supreme Court and in October, 1939, the Supreme Court reversed the judgment and sent the case back for a new trial. The Supreme Court sustained the conclusion of the Court below that the relationship of employer and employee did not exist between Hubbard and the Standard Oil Company. It gave the plaintiff leave to amend his complaint. If he had amended, it would have given us a clearer opportunity to remove the case to the Federal Court. He did not amend but we have attempted to remove the case to the Federal Court. That attempt has not been litigated. We are none too sure it will be successful. There aren't any indications when, if ever, the legal entanglements into which this case has fallen will be cleared up and a third trial had.

The result of all the foregoing is that our record is still clean. We haven't suffered a judgment by anyone claiming he was injured through the use of gasoline containing tetraethyl lead.

With best of the Season's greetings.

Sincerely yours,

Edwin S. Hall

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