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To: TECHNICAL TASK GROUP ON VINYL CHLORIDE RESEARCH

Subject: Proposed Work Practices Standard for VCM
Polymerization Operations

Gentlemen:

The Sub-Task Group on Work Practices under Mr. R. N. Wheeler met Thursday, March 7, and developed the attached draft of a proposed industry recommendation. Please review this draft with your management and submit your comments directly to Mr. Wheeler (Union Carbide Corporation, Chemicals and Plastics Division, P. O. Box 8004, South Charleston, W. Va. 25303), with information copy to me.

Your reaction to, and comments, on two sections are particularly solicited: (1) the last sentence of "I. Scope and Application," and (2) the terminology for vinyl chloride as a "Hazardous chemical agent," rather than its designation as a "cancer suspect agent" or "carcinogen." Discussion at the Thursday meeting and elsewhere indicates that these points remain as not having achieved a clear consensus.

Sincerely,

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Secretary

Technical Task Group on Vinyl
Chloride Research

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Attachment

cc : Members of the Work Practices
Sub-Task Group
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XI b) Personnel Monitoring

A recording gas sniffer just for reactor cleaning

The minute this thing gets past
This and all the other things will require Paul
to have a man just for vinyl

VII 3) Vessel Cleaning & Maintenance

I hope this only means a small mask
that can be carried on a belt

If the vessel is below 50ppm & is being
monitored... certainly nothing fancy in a mask
would be required - if anything at all

