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Regarding your request from Dick McGee, we have been in contact with the University of Missouri and were told that a horse from Boiling Springs, Mo., which was autopsied recently did not die from PCB poisoning. We suspect this is the horse Mr. McGee referred to. Our contact at the University was Dr. Arthur Case, Department of Veterinary Medicine.

Apparently the Shriners from Moolah Temple have already had soil samples taken and analysis showed seven-parts-per-million PCB. This surely would not be a concentration which would affect a horse. One laboratory has fed PCB in the diet as high as 100 ppm to small animals, including dogs, for two years with no ill effects.

You mentioned earlier that Russell Bliss had picked up used oil at Monsanto's Queeny plant. While he may have thought he was dealing with Monsanto, he was probably contacting Edwin Cooper, Inc., a company which leases property at our Queeny plant site. This may or may not be significant. I mention it only to set the record straight.

When you get back to Mr. McGee this week, I suggest you propose the following:

> That he contact the University of Missouri, Dr. Arthur Case. Since PCB is apparently not the cause of death in the case mentioned, then the Shriners should contact a qualified laboratory. Dr. Case may be a good starting point for this advice. Monsanto is not equipped to look for all or any one of a number of possible causes.

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on horses - 82 ppm Aroclor 1242
in soil