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E. I. duPont de Nemours & Company
Wilmington, Delaware

Organic Chemicals Department

February 17, 1941

Mr. J. H. Schaefer
Ethyl Gasoline Corporation
405 Lexington Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Schaefer:

Reference is made to your letter of February 13, 1941 in which you call attention to the fact that Dr. Kehoe "points out that the Baton Rouge set-up with regard to still enclosures is not showing the results expected, probably because the ventilating system in aggregate bears further correction."

You are undoubtedly acquainted with the fact that the ventilating systems at both Baton Rouge and Dye Works have been given considerable study during the past few months. The results of these studies indicate that at the present time the air balances within the various buildings are approximately correct. Repairs now outlined for the Dye Works systems should complete this endeavor and we are of the opinion that when the necessary repairs have been made all buildings will be in proper balance.

We are inclined to believe that the present apparent bad conditions in the buildings are due to the introduction of large amounts of lead sucked in by the air intake fans. This condition, we believe, is due to the discharge of lead into the atmosphere, by the furnace stacks. It is our opinion that the installation of rotoclones at Baton Rouge and the Dye Works will eliminate this contamination and we would like to reserve any further opinion until these installations have been put into operation.

Very truly yours,

J. L. Stecher

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CC: Mr. J. L. Stoeher
Mr. E. W. Webb
Dr. R. A. Kehoe

ETHYL GASOLINE CORPORATION

MANUFACTURING AND TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

INTER-OFFICE
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PLEASE ADDRESS REPLY
TO: CHRYSLER BUILDING
405 LEXINGTON AVE., NEW YORK CITY
February 13, 1941

Mr. E. G. Robinson, General Manager
Organic Chemicals Department
E. I. duPont de Nemours & Company
Wilmington, Delaware

Dear Mr. Robinson:

Project 83-6875 - D₂ Works 145,000
Provide Still Enclosures on Third Floor
of "B", "C", "D" & "E" Mfg. Buildings
T.S.A. Area

In accordance with your letter of February 3, we are returning herewith two approved copies of the above-noted Appropriation Request, covering additional facilities for improved ventilation on our manufacturing buildings.

In approving this project we would like to take the opportunity to emphasize the importance of continuing the development of corrective measures for the entire ventilating system for the plant as a whole. We had discussed this matter with Dr. Kehoe and he points out that the Baton Rouge set-up with regard to still enclosures is not showing the results expected, probably because the ventilating system in aggregate bears further correction.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Schaefer

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