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As our patents on Aroclor grow older and approach the expiration date, we are going to be asked by General Electric, and probably others, and particularly Dr. F. M. Clark of General Electric, for permission to go into our plants at Anniston and Monsanto, Illinois and see the chlorinated diphenyl manufacturing processes.

Dr. F. M. Clark of General Electric is going to try various methods to get someone in our plant and recently he suggested that he send out a representative to work with our people in the laboratory of analytical procedure, and mentioned he assumed we would show his representative our entire chlorinated diphenyl manufacture.

We have again advised Dr. Clark that we will not show the General Electric representative our chlorinated diphenyl manufacturing process, and that our plant at Monsanto, Illinois and Anniston is closed to outsiders and that we would be glad to work with them in the laboratory but we cannot show them our plant.

We have always had the feeling that General Electric might want to make Aroclor and they would probably like to find out just how we do the job, type of equipment, ect, etc., and we have consistantly refused to let them see our plant, We think it is all the more important at this time to adhere to the policy of no visitors as we should protect all the knowledge we have in view of the expiration date on the Aroclor patent in 1949. Dr. Clark is a persistant individual and he doesn't get mad when we tell him no. He simply bides his time and asks again and there should be no weakening on this matter.

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