

October 7, 1939

Mr. J. H. Schaefer
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Dear Mr. Schaefer:

In giving consideration to the hygienic questions which arise in connection with projects for changing equipment at Deepwater, we are carefully studying all of the data which are available on the air analyses as well as on the excreta of workmen engaged in various specific occupations at Deepwater, and at Baton Rouge. A cursory examination of these data would appear to indicate that there is justification both for the development of a central alloy building and also for the enclosure of stills at the Deepwater plant. However we are unwilling to arrive at a hasty conclusion since there are several matters which have to be considered in a comparison of the exposure at the two plant sites. Accordingly we have asked for some further data which has not been supplied to us, but which we expect in a few days. Dr. Evans is getting this together for us and when we have it, we will be able to complete our study. I believe we shall then be able to answer you without any very considerable doubt.

I trust that a brief delay in order to make a careful study of this matter will not occasion you or the DuPonts any inconvenience. I should feel that we were being unduly careless if we were to encourage or advise changes involving expenditures of such magnitude without making complete use of our information. In any case we shall concentrate on this problem and there will be no prolonged delay, unless we have difficulty in obtaining the information desired from Dr. Evans.

Very truly yours,

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