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Dear George:

Re: Aroclor - 2 Year Rat Studies

In regard to the comments and questions covered in your letter dated July 18, 1975, pertaining to the above, please note the following:

1. We will amend our statement in the last paragraph on page 2 of the Aroclor 1254 report to read, "does not appear to be carcinogenic" in place of "slightly tumorigenic" as requested.

2. In regard to the animal numbers in the Aroclor 1242 and 1260 reports, they are correct in our final revised report. In the original reports, the Aroclor titles for these two materials were reversed.

3. The animal identification numbers appearing in the reports on evaluation of additional liver sections are the same as those in our original report. The animals were not renumbered.

4. We cannot find any discrepancy in animal identification numbers in the reports (original, re-evaluation, final revision) on Aroclor 1254. However, in the report on re-evaluation of additional liver sections dated March 24, 1975, there was a typographical error on page 1 which referred to Aroclor 1260 instead of 1254. Perhaps this is the basis of your confusion.

I hope that this will serve to further clarify the situation. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

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