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Dear Cole:

This is just a short note to thank you, Des, and Jack for the time that you spent with Dick, Mary, and myself on March 17, 1976, and for the information that you shared with us. Our visit to Monsanto was truly valuable and will certainly help us in preparing our report.

One additional question arose, the answer to which you might be able to supply simply by referencing some current literature. The question is whether the toxicity of PCBs has ever been compared on the basis of the LD₅₀ to the toxicity of other chemicals that might be found around one's house or in industry. When discussing toxicity with a legislator it will be helpful to compare it to something with which he is familiar. We don't expect any special effort in answering our question, however, if the information is available, we would surely appreciate a reference to it.

Thank you once again, Cole, for Monsanto's hospitality.

Sincerely,

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Paul, Would you please send some data
Thanks
Cole

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