

MONSANTO CHEMICAL COMPANY

After Office Correspondence

FROM LOCATION : Springfield, Massachusetts

DATE : August 29, 1963

SUBJECT : CONTAMINATED VCM

REFERENCE :

TO : Mr. W. Kongable
Texas City

To Mexico 5-6
 Returned 7-6
 Received 5-19-61

R.A. Coffey
 C.L. Knowles-St. Louis
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Monomer car SHPX 3966 was shipped from Texas City on 7/13 and pumped at Springfield on 7/22. The material appeared discolored and was contaminated with black metallic dust. The VCM was used but gave considerable trouble with filter plugging and increased the resin contamination level to borderline acceptability.

It is doubtful, considering the prime importance of VCM quality to the Springfield operations, whether we can, in the future, risk the use of such material. It is hoped that a satisfactory means of rectifying this difficulty is readily available to prevent recurrence.

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