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THOMAS CHEMICALS/AROCLOL 5460

Your Memo to W.S.Clark (1/19/72)

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Will Clark and Jim Springgate have passed your memo along to me in as much as our business group has the product responsibility for the whole biphenyl/terphenyl family tree and all budgeted profitability related to it.

We are not interested in licensing process details for the manufacture of Aroclor 5460, nor do we have patents on this subject. Our reason for not wanting to license knowhow on any of the PCB's/PCF's is that Monsanto has decided that on a world-wide basis we should cease making and selling these materials. The only exception is for material being used in closed electrical systems. This decision was taken with a view to reducing the ecological hazards involved with these products. To further promote the products by selling technology to others allowing them to make them would only be defeating our purpose and would not be in accordance with our policy.

We appreciate the short range problems this may pose to Thomas Chemical as a result of our discontinuing this product but I believe once all the facts are clearly made known to them they will agree this is a good decision from a world-wide ecological viewpoint and they would not want to further perpetrate the problem.

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