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Dr. Richard Henderson
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Dear Dr. Henderson:

Confirming earlier communications, you will be representing Olin Corp. at the Industry PVC/VCM Problem Analysis Conference scheduled for June 17, 18, and 19 at Springfield, Mass.

The conference will be held at the Bay State West Motor Hotel, 1500 Main St., in Springfield. It is located just off of Interstate 91 and is readily visible from this highway, whether traveling north from Hartford-Springfield airport or south on Interstate 91.

The meeting will begin at 8:00 A.M. Monday morning, however, you are invited to get acquainted with some of the other group members at a Monsanto hospitality room at the hotel, Sunday night, June 16. The hospitality room will be open from 6:00 P.M. until 10:00 P.M. Attendance is optional and intended only to allow group members to have a chance to talk to each other before the meeting begins. Further details will be given to you when you check in.

The problem analysis itself will be under the direction of Art Smith, Monsanto's Training Manager, who has been performing this kind of activity in a consulting role for many years. The approach is based on work originally developed by Kepner-Tregoe, modified by Monsanto's own experience. We anticipate that the effort will require a full three days, plus, perhaps, some evening work. It is expected that results of the analysis will be in a form suitable for submission to SPI within a day or so after the meeting ends.

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At this stage it is impossible to guarantee that results of this analysis session will be useful for presentation to OSHA at the June 25 public hearing. Results will be given to SPI as soon as they are available, and that the decision concerning inclusion with other SPI testimony will be made by SPI representatives.

In order to make this meeting productive, it is expected that each participant will have knowledge of or access to his company's experience in PVC operations, including employee health records. He should have authority to present this data and to actively participate in the group analysis, with an understanding that individual confidentiality will be maintained. Since it is almost impossible for any person to bring all of his company's relevant experience with him, it is highly desirable that he make arrangements to have a contact man available at his home location to quickly obtain any specific data which might prove to be important during the analysis. Secretaries and telephones will be provided to permit quick access to other locations without delaying the analysis effort.

Reservations have been made for you, as requested, for the nights of June 16, 17, and 18. Monsanto will handle details of meeting room facilities and will provide secretarial services as necessary. Meals and transportation will be handled on a personal basis by each participant.

If you have any questions concerning the meeting, please get in touch directly with R. L. (Bob) Bourget at (413) 788-6911. Bob is in charge of Monsanto's PVC production operation and will be our representative at the analysis.

The cooperative attitude of all participating companies has been most helpful in setting up this meeting on such short notice. Please accept our thanks for adding this effort to an already overloaded schedule.

Sincerely,



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Director, Manufacturing & PT

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cc: Mr. R. L. Bourget, Monsanto-Springfield
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