

May 12, 1937

Re: [REDACTED]

Mr. M. J. McCarthy
Gulf Refining Company
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Mr. McCarthy:

Your letter of May 4th addressed to Mr. Louis M. Slack of the Ethyl Gasoline Corporation was referred to me for information. I would appreciate it very much if you would write to me directly, giving me such information as is available on the condition of Mr. [REDACTED]. In these cases it is usually better to work with the patient's physician, since in the nature of things, professional men can discuss the points that concern a diagnosis more effectively directly than through a layman. May I suggest, therefore, that if Mr. [REDACTED] were to suggest that his doctor write to me, giving me full information about the case, I might be able to be of some service to him.

I think it wise to point out to you, what you probably already know, that there is no reason to believe that the small quantity of lead in Ethyl Gasoline will produce irritation or injury to the skin. As a matter of fact, the lead compound is less irritating than is the gasoline itself, and in most of these cases one finds that the offending agent has either been the gasoline alone or gasoline in combination with unclean habits in the care of the skin. However I think it best to discuss these matters with Mr. [REDACTED] physician since this can be done without any misunderstanding. Any assistance which you can give me, therefore, in arranging for some contact with Mr. [REDACTED] doctor will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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cc Mr. Mack

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