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November 10, 1972

Dr. Walter D. Harris
UNIROYAL, Inc.
Oxford Management & Research Center
Middlebury, Connecticut 06749

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DEPARTMENT

Dear Dr. Harris:

As our representative, Dr. Walter Harris of UNIROYAL was received by sponsors of the European vinyl chloride monomer research project on October 19 and given a full view of the experimental program in progress, including the testing protocol. Dr. Harris will report on these matters at our upcoming meeting on November 14.

Disclosure of test results, however, was withheld because some of the European companies did not feel the assurance of confidentiality given in the fourth paragraph of my letter of September 20, a copy of which was sent to you, was sufficiently tight.

The phrasing used was chosen because MCA cannot presume to obligate its members, and I thought time might be saved. Now I must take the other course and ask for your direct pledge, as indicated on the enclosure to facilitate your response.

I believe there is no remaining doubt at all about full disclosure to us, namely, to the technical representatives of the companies committed to participate in the U. S. project, upon receipt of a more ironclad confidentiality assertion. In fact, the European companies are eager for U. S. company representatives to visit at the scene of the European research and observe firsthand.

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If your representative to the November 14th meeting is in a position to execute or have executed your company's pledge in time to bring it to the November 14th meeting, that would be excellent. If not, please send it to me as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

George E. Bear

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Enclosure

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Signed by W04 on 11/14 at MCA

Animal Testing Research - Vinyl Chloride Monomer

With regard to any information disclosed to personnel of our company concerning the European research on vinyl chloride monomer referred to in R. I. Lindsell's letter of August 16, 1972, addressed to the Manufacturing Chemists Association, we pledge to hold such information strictly in confidence within our company unless and until formally notified specific consent to its release has been granted by the European sponsors.

Dnr - Best office.

(Please print or type.)

Signed _____

Company _____

Date _____

Please return one copy
promptly to:

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