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Mr. Richard J. Mahoney
President
Monsanto Chemical Company
800 N. Lindburgh Blvd.
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Dear Mr. Mahoney:

My office has made an investigation of Snow Creek in the Anniston, Alabama area near the location of Monsanto's Anniston Chemical Plant.

Analysis of samples taken by my investigators at this location indicate the presence of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB's) in the creek sediments outside Monsanto's site in excess of 400 ppm (parts per million). These figures are well in excess of EPA standards of 50 ppm. Monsanto produced PCB's at its Anniston plant for a number of years up into the 1970's.

In view of the high concentrations of PCB's and the rather extended areas of creek bottoms contaminated by these substances I would request that representatives of your company meet with members of my staff to discuss this matter as soon as possible. Arrangements for such a meeting should be made by contacting Assistant Attorney General Craig Kneisel of my staff at (205) 834-5150.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Graddick

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