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RIVER ROAD, BOUND BROOK, N. J.

October 23, 1958

Mr. Walter D. Tiedeman
National Sanitation Foundation Testing Laboratory
School of Public Health
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, Michigan

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Dear Mr. Tiedeman:

Thank you for your letter of October 13, I can understand your reluctance to issue an opinion on the suitability of our KDA-2458 vinyl sheeting as a swimming pool liner in as much as the formulation does differ in certain respects from the pipe material which was examined in the previous study.

Since there is apparently no established procedure for approving swimming pool liners can we logically assume that an accelerated extraction study similar to those recommended by the Food & Drug Administration for food packaging materials would suffice in this other application? Perhaps a maximum film surface might be exposed to a minimum volume of extractive solvents such as distilled water, a dilute acid, and a dilute alkali at an elevated temperature for several weeks or more and the residue than examined, in this case for extracted pigment and tin?

In the event that such a procedure were considered adequate would you be willing to provide an opinion based upon evidence gathered in our laboratories as does the F. & D. A. in food packaging work or would the entire study be conducted in your own facilities? Further, can you provide us with some indication as to the fee for the above consultation services?

Thank you for any inconveniences we may have caused.

Very truly yours,

W. B. Ackart
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October 13, 1958

Mr. W. B. Ackart
Bakelite Company
Division of Union Carbide Corporation
River Road,
Bound Brook, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Ackart:

Please excuse the delay in answering your letter of September 23, 1958, which is due to the fact that we have no established procedure for the approval of plastic materials for swimming pools.

There would be no question about our approval of any of the materials we already have approved for your company for use with potable water supplies. While there is certain similarity, there are enough differences to demand careful study. The other formulation is in a safety deposit box at the bank, so I do not have it available for ready reference. We would need complete information as to the general composition regarding the blue pigment from the manufacturer thereof. Furthermore, the Food and Drug Administration has raised a big question about organic tin compounds, and we would need to do toxic testing as to the extractibility of organic tin before passing on this compound.

I am not inclined to raise any serious doubts as to the safety of using this material as a swimming pool liner, especially as the water is not consumed by it. It is only incidentally. However, since we have not established any accepted procedure for approving swimming pool liners, and would not want to do so after consulting public health and industry lawyers, I am in a position to offer you specific help at this time.

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