

August 8, 1960

MEMORANDUM TO:

Messrs. B. B. Turner
J. J. Frey
R. A. Kehoe ✓
K. V. Kitzmiller
M. P. Murdock

Subject: TML--Switzerland

The attached report from Mr. Devan on further proceedings in Switzerland indicates that it is likely to be some weeks, if not months, before the use in Switzerland of gasoline containing TML will become permissible. You will note from the last paragraph of the document that full approval is a prerequisite to permitting importation of gasoline containing TML.

I suggest that Mr. Murdock take whatever steps he considers necessary to advise interested customers.


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TML - SWITZERLAND

Talks were held on the 27th July with Professor Högl, of Berne, the present President of the Lead Committee, and with Professor Högger, of Zurich, the probable future President.

No decision has yet been reached by the Lead Committee as they have not held a meeting since June. This is partly due to the holiday season and partly to the time required to circulate the literature, left by Dr. Kehoe, to all members for consideration.

It is their intention to call a meeting at the end of August, or early in September, at which will be discussed the final report on TEL, which has been requested by the Federal Government, and at the same time to reach a decision on their attitude towards TML and make appropriate recommendations to the Government. My impression was that there will be no opposition to TML on the part of the Committee but that they want to take their time and above all to avoid adverse public reaction.

If the Committee reach agreement it will then be necessary for them to submit to the Government a proposal to change the wording of the law since as it stands at present TEL only is specifically mentioned as being permitted in imported gasoline.

Professor Högger wishes to collaborate with Professor Brunner and Doctor Ruf of EMPA to carry out some tests in Switzerland on TML in order to check on present findings and be able to submit their own data on toxicity, etc. to the Government. We shall probably therefore receive a request soon for some cans of TML to this end.

In the meantime Professor Högl has decided to order CARBURA to advise all gasoline importers that until Federal approval has been obtained importations of gasoline containing TML will not be allowed.

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