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5 TENNESSEE GAS PIPELINE COMPANY,

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7 Plaintiff,

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9 vs.

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11 MONSANTO COMPANY,

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13 Defendant.

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15 Deposition of RICHARD J. DAVIS, taken on
16 behalf of the Plaintiff, at the offices of Gore &
17 Perry Reporting Company, 100 North Broadway, in the
18 City of St. Louis, State of Missouri, on the 28th
19 day of November 1995 before Nancy Prange, Registered
20 Professional Reporter and Notary Public.

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1 RICHARD J. DAVIS,
2 of lawful age, having been first duly sworn to
3 testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but
4 the truth in the case aforesaid, deposes and says in
5 reply to oral interrogatories propounded as follows,
6 to-wit:

7 EXAMINATION
8 QUESTIONS BY MR. ROEDER:

9 Q: Could you state your name for the record,
10 sir?

11 A: Richard J. Davis.

12 Q: Where do you live, Mr. Davis?

13 A: You mean specific address?

14 Q: Yes.

15 A: 120 West Swon, S-w-o-n, Avenue, St. Louis,
16 Missouri 63119.

17 Q: What do you do for a living?

18 A: I'm a chiropractic physician.

19 Q: Have you ever been deposed before, sir?

20 A: Yes.

21 Q: When have you given your deposition or
22 testified?

23 A: In the early 1980's there was a deposition.

24 Q: What was that case involving, sir?

25 A: It was Monsanto and I believe it was

1 Outboard Marine Company.

2 Q: Okay. Where did you give that deposition?

3 A: It was in St. Louis but I can't be more
4 specific. I don't remember where.

5 MR. ROEDER: I will state for the record my
6 paralegal was unable to find the deposition
7 transcript of Mr. Davis. I understood those were
8 being produced.

9 MR. PECK: I will check at a break but I have
10 not seen that.

11 MR. ROEDER: Okay.

12 Q: Have you testified in any other case other
13 than the Outboard Marine, Monsanto case?

14 A: No, excluding divorce deposition kind of
15 things.

16 Q: I won't ask you about any deposition
17 testimony you've given in any divorce.

18 Have you ever testified at trial?

19 A: No.

20 Q: Are you being represented here today?

21 A: Yes.

22 Q: Who is representing you?

23 A: Timothy Peck.

24 Q: From the Smith Helms firm from North
25 Carolina?

1 A: Yes.

2 Q: Did you request that Mr. Peck represent you
3 today?

4 A: I don't know how to answer that. I wanted
5 him to and -- I guess the best answer is "yes".

6 Q: Did you request Monsanto get you counsel for
7 this deposition?

8 A: Not specifically. It evolved and --

9 Q: And they offered?

10 A: Yes.

11 Q: Okay. So you're not going to pay Mr. Peck's
12 attorneys' fees for representing you here today?

13 A: That's correct.

14 Q: Your understanding is that Monsanto will?

15 A: It's between them, I assume.

16 Q: All right. Did you prepare for your
17 deposition today, sir?

18 A: Yes.

19 Q: How did you prepare for your deposition?

20 A: I met with Mr. Peck yesterday and, just to
21 refresh memory of some 30 years ago, reviewed a few
22 documents.

23 Q: Did you meet with Mr. Peck in the offices of
24 Husch and Eppenberger?

25 A: No.

1 Q: At the offices of Monsanto?

2 A: Yes.

3 Q: In St. Louis?

4 A: Yes.

5 Q: Who was present when you met with Mr. Peck?

6 A: Obviously Mr. Peck and me and for part of it

7 Rolly --

8 Q: Rolly Chambers?

9 A: Chambers, that is correct.

10 Q: Also from Mr. Peck's firm?

11 A: Yes.

12 Q: How long did the meeting last?

13 MR. PECK: I object as to the specifics of
14 the meeting. He's indicated that he met with
15 counsel in preparation for the deposition and I'll
16 instruct you not to answer any further specifics on
17 the grounds of privilege.

18 MR. ROEDER: So the question put to the
19 witness is how long the meeting lasted and you're
20 instructing the witness not to answer that on the
21 basis of privilege?

22 MR. PECK: Yes. As to whether it was five
23 minutes or two weeks I don't think it's information
24 that's necessary.

25 MR. ROEDER: Well, the standards are

1 different than that, sir. The privilege, as you
2 know, is a very narrow privilege and it relates to
3 advice given or communications, not to how long the
4 meeting lasted.

5 Q: Your attorney has instructed you not to
6 answer the question. Are you going to accept his
7 instruction?

8 A: Yes.

9 MR. PECK: I would add to that objection work
10 product privilege, as well.

11 MR. ROEDER: Well, you can stand on your
12 objection, sir. I have never seen an objection
13 sustained as to how long somebody met in preparation
14 for testimony.

15 Q: Okay. Did you look at documents in
16 preparation for your testimony?

17 A: Yes.

18 Q: A series of documents that have been
19 identified prior to your deposition?

20 MR. PECK: I'll state here that the witness
21 was provided with the documents which you've
22 identified, Steve, as documents that you intended to
23 use for this deposition.

24 Q: To the best of your knowledge is what your
25 counsel represented correct?

1 A: Yes.

2 Q: Did you meet with anyone prior to yesterday
3 in preparation for your testimony?

4 A: No, I didn't.

5 Q: Did you discuss your testimony yesterday
6 with anyone other than Mr. Peck and Mr. Chambers?

7 A: No, I did not.

8 Q: Can I have a little bit, sir, some
9 information concerning your educational background?

10 A: Yes.

11 Q: After high school, sir, where did you go to
12 school and what concentrations did you follow?

13 A: I went to Worcester Polytechnic Institute.
14 I graduated with a bachelor of science degree in
15 chemical engineering.

16 Q: For the court reporter that's
17 W-o-r-c-e-s-t-e-r?

18 A: That's correct.

19 Q: In Worcester, Massachusetts?

20 A: That's correct.

21 Q: And you graduated with your bachelor's in
22 chemical engineering in what year?

23 A: 1951.

24 Q: Did you subsequently take any additional
25 schooling or education?

1 A: Yes, I graduated as a chiropractic physician
2 in August of 1994 from Logan College of
3 Chiropractic.

4 Q: Where is that located, sir?

5 A: Chesterfield, St. Louis area, Missouri.

6 Q: And you've been in, did you pass any board
7 certification or state licensing procedure in
8 connection --

9 A: Both. Passed national board examinations
10 and state licensing examinations.

11 Q: So you are, under the law of Missouri as you
12 understand it you're a physician?

13 A: That word -- yes. The word physician is
14 looked at differently but, yes, I'm a chiropractic
15 physician. The simple answer is "yes".

16 Q: You can write prescriptions for medicine?

17 A: No, that's a medical physician. I'm a
18 chiropractic physician.

19 Q: But you can -- well, tell me how you're, as
20 quick and succinctly for someone such as me, how a
21 chiropractic physician differs from a medical
22 physician?

23 A: We're both, medical and chiropractic
24 physicians, are licensed to be a primary care
25 physician. That is a patient can come in off the

1 street and see either one of us first for diagnosis
2 and treatment. The difference, and the training is
3 very similar and all the basic sciences of the human
4 body, the training differs in treatment techniques.
5 Medical doctors use prescription drugs that are
6 licensed to do that. Chiropractic physicians use
7 other techniques, manual techniques and are licensed
8 to do that. So we're both physicians, we can both
9 be primary care that a patient can come off the
10 street to us, we can both diagnose and we treat
11 differently and refer back and forth.

12 Does that answer your question?

13 Q: I think so. And you are board certified by
14 a national institute or governing body?

15 A: Yes.

16 Q: What is that institute or governing body?

17 A: National Board of Chiropractic and there may
18 be one more name to that.

19 Q: How long was the study, sir, to obtain your
20 degree from Logan College of Chiropractic?

21 A: About four calendar years. It's five
22 academic years.

23 Q: Just because you go year round?

24 A: Yes.

25 Q: Can you, sir, discuss your work history

1 after Worcester Polytechnic?

2 A: I joined Monsanto in 1951. Stayed with
3 Monsanto until 1985 and retired.

4 Q: Well, let me see if I can break that down.
5 In '51 when you joined Monsanto what was your
6 assignment or what was your responsibility?

7 A: I was at one of the manufacturing plants,
8 the W. G. Krummrich Plant, in Monsanto, Illinois in
9 which I did laboratory analysis, process improvement
10 engineering and some manufacturing supervision.

11 Q: Your title was?

12 A: There were several titles but plant
13 technical services engineer was the primary one.

14 Q: Is it fair to say it was an entry level
15 position in the technical side?

16 A: Yes.

17 Q: How long did you hold that position at the
18 Krummrich Plant?

19 (Discussion off the record)

20 Q: In '51 when you joined Monsanto the
21 Krummrich plant was in what was known as Monsanto,
22 Illinois but now is known as Sauget, Illinois?

23 A: That's correct.

24 Q: How long were you at that plant?

25 A: Five years.

1 Q: So until approximately 1956?

2 A: Correct.

3 Q: How did your responsibility change at that
4 time?

5 A: I went from plant technical services into
6 marketing technical services.

7 Q: And what did that mean to you on a
8 day-to-day basis?

9 A: Instead of, instead of involving the
10 manufacturing of various chemicals I was involved in
11 helping customers use certain products.

12 Q: Were you support for the sales force?

13 A: That's correct.

14 Q: So would you go out to customers and find
15 out how they're using the product and attempt to
16 determine a way that one of Monsanto's products
17 could, for example, help them with respect to a
18 particular need?

19 A: More if a customer had a problem or a
20 technical question I would go discuss it with the
21 customer and try and find some resolution, some
22 solution to the problem.

23 Q: For some reason whatever the product was
24 wasn't working as they hoped and you're trying to
25 refine the product and figure out why it wasn't

1 working?

2 A: Or it may be they were just starting to use
3 it. It didn't have to be a bad problem.

4 Q: Explain how it worked, what precautions
5 needed to be taken, make sure that it worked?

6 A: Yes.

7 Q: What products did you provide marketing
8 technical services for?

9 A: Pydraul products. Those that existed at
10 that time.

11 Q: What Pydraul products did exist at that
12 time?

13 A: Pydraul F-9, Pydraul 6.5 and I believe, but
14 I'm not certain, Pydraul 150.

15 Q: This is in the late 50's?

16 A: Yes.

17 Q: How long did you continue in your position
18 as a marketing technical services person at
19 Monsanto?

20 A: About two years.

21 Q: So 1958 approximately?

22 A: Yes.

23 Q: How did your duties and responsibilities
24 change at that point?

25 A: I then became responsible for the sales of

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1 Pydraul products.

2 Q: You went on the sales side?

3 A: No, marketing would be a more accurate word.

4 Q: So instead of technical services you're now
5 in the marketing part?

6 A: That's correct.

7 Q: I'm seeing a distinction, sir, tell me if
8 I'm correct, between marketing and sales at Monsanto
9 at that time, is that correct? There were sales
10 people and there were marketing people?

11 A: There were sales people in the field with
12 customer responsibility and there were marketing
13 people in the home office with product
14 responsibility.

15 Q: You were a marketing person with product
16 responsibility?

17 A: Yes.

18 Q: Did you continue in the Pydraul area from
19 1958?

20 A: Yes, I did.

21 Q: Okay. What was your title in 1958 or at
22 least describe your job description more fully if
23 you could?

24 A: It was, it was one of planning and support
25 to field sales to see that the proper marketing of

1 the Pydraul products.

2 Q: Involving the development of Pydraul
3 products?

4 A: No, I was in communication but not
5 responsible for development.

6 Q: And how long did you hold this second
7 position in the Pydraul area, from 1958 to when?

8 A: The position and responsibilities grew
9 somewhat but I remained involved with marketing and
10 supervision of Pydraul for about ten years, about
11 1968ish.

12 Q: And how did your duties and responsibilities
13 change at that point?

14 A: In the mid 60's I had some additional
15 responsibilities for other fluids other than
16 Pydraul.

17 Q: Which fluids were these?

18 A: The one I remember is Therminol transfer
19 fluids. Those were the primary ones.

20 Q: Now, the Pydrauls and Therminols that we're
21 discussing up to this point in time that you dealt
22 with at Monsanto contained PCB's, did they not?

23 A: The Pydrauls did. The early Therminols did
24 and others did not and I can't cite a date when they
25 did not occur.

1 Q: And we're saying PCB's, polychlorinated
2 biphenyls that's what you understand that term to
3 mean, correct?

4 A: Yes.

5 Q: So you're still in the marketing area in the
6 mid 60's when you assumed additional
7 responsibilities with respect to Therminol and
8 perhaps some other fluids you can't recall now, is
9 that correct?

10 A: Yes.

11 Q: How long did you continue in that capacity?
12 Is this up until '68?

13 A: Yes.

14 Q: How did your job responsibilities change at
15 that point?

16 A: As I recall I then gave up responsibility
17 for the marketing of the fluids and took on
18 responsibility for commercial development, the
19 development of new products or new businesses.

20 Q: Now, are we still talking about the same
21 fluids, the Pydrauls and Therminols?

22 A: I was interested more then in, in building
23 systems, businesses around the transfer fluids. So
24 it was indirectly related to fluids but had more to
25 do with acquisition studies and things of that

1 nature.

2 Q: You were doing acquisition studies, did this
3 involve potential acquisitions of businesses?

4 A: Correct.

5 Q: Were you still in the functional fluids
6 group?

7 A: Yes. And the name of group has changed so
8 many times I don't know functional fluids is
9 correct.

10 Q: Specialty products? It was in the organic
11 chemicals division, correct?

12 A: That, too, changed but I think your original
13 statement is the closest, functional fluids or
14 specialty products.

15 Q: Okay. So from '68 to, at that point if I
16 understand your testimony you were involved in the
17 development and potential acquisition of additional
18 business systems or fluid systems?

19 A: Equipment that might relate to our fluids.

20 Q: What type of equipment would this involve?

21 A: Primarily fired heaters.

22 Q: Did any of the equipment you looked at
23 involve air compressors?

24 A: No.

25 Q: How long did you continue in this capacity?

1 A: About four or five years.

2 Q: So from '68ish was your testimony until '72,
3 '73?

4 A: '73, '74 might be more likely.

5 Q: Do you recall what your title was from '68
6 until '73 or '74?

7 A: It would be something like commercial
8 development manager, functional fluids or specialty
9 products.

10 Q: Did you have people who reported to you?

11 A: Yes, I did.

12 Q: How many people did report to you, sir?

13 A: Perhaps three.

14 Q: Who were those people or are those people?

15 A: Wilson Overall is one. It's hard to
16 remember exactly who did what when. There was a
17 Rolly Garcia who reported to me but that was not in
18 the development capacity. For a short time there
19 was a Robert Bebacqua.

20 Q: B-e-b-a-c-q-u-a-, I think?

21 A: Yes.

22 Q: And how did, what were Mr. Garcia's and Mr.
23 Bebacqua's duties?

24 A: Mr. Bebacqua was involved in the aviation
25 industry and seeking new commercial opportunities in

1 that area.

2 Q: How about Mr. Garcia?

3 A: Mr. Garcia was involved with Pydrual fluids
4 so having said that it's got to be an earlier date
5 because he did not report to me when I was involved
6 with commercial development.

7 Q: While you were, you had the responsibilities
8 up until '68 did people report to you in that
9 capacity, as well?

10 A: Early on there was a Dale Smith who reported
11 to me, yes.

12 Q: And what, what was Mr. Smith's function or
13 duty?

14 A: Pydraul technical services.

15 Q: Was there anyone later on?

16 A: Related to Pydraul?

17 Q: In any capacity?

18 A: In the heat transfer fluid area there were
19 two people that reported to me.

20 Q: They were?

21 A: Stan Shaw and Don Rausch.

22 Q: How about in the Pydraul area, anyone other
23 than Mr. Smith?

24 A: I don't recall anyone.

25 Q: So from '74 on, sir, did your duties and

1 responsibilities at Monsanto change?

2 A: Yes.

3 Q: How did they change?

4 A: I was no longer related to the fluids
5 program but to the food ingredients program.

6 Q: Was your transfer to the food ingredients
7 program related to a decline in the fluid sales?

8 A: No.

9 Q: Did you request to be transferred to the
10 food ingredients?

11 A: I frankly don't remember that transition.
12 It was a growth opportunity for me but I don't
13 remember exactly what triggered it. I seem to
14 remember reorganization being involved.

15 Q: Is it fair to say you use the food
16 ingredients program as having additional business
17 opportunities that weren't available in the fluids
18 program?

19 A: I don't remember that being my feeling, no.

20 Q: Do you recall why you moved?

21 A: Do I recall why I moved?

22 Q: Yes.

23 A: Well, as I stated, I don't really recall. I
24 seem to remember a reorganization in the company at
25 that time, an opportunity for me specifically in the

1 development of a new major product for Monsanto.

2 Q: What product was that, sir?

3 A: It was sorbates which are food
4 preservatives. And Aspartame which later became
5 NeutraSweet.

6 Q: And how long, what was your title or at
7 least the job responsibilities if you can't recall
8 the specific title?

9 A: It was commercial development manager for
10 food ingredients.

11 Q: Same basic responsibility that you had in
12 the fluids area you just now applied to the food
13 ingredients area?

14 A: With the exception that the food ingredients
15 area was larger and I reported to a commercial
16 developer manager or commercial development
17 director, I guess.

18 Q: So you would look at potential acquisitions
19 related to the development of these?

20 A: No, here I was looking more specifically at
21 bringing a new chemical into the marketplace, a new
22 to Monsanto chemical into the marketplace.

23 Q: So did the technical people report to you?

24 A: No one reported to me at that time.

25 Q: How long did you continue in this job?

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1 A: I remained in food ingredients until my
2 retirement in 1985 but my responsibilities probably
3 halfway through that period changed to marketing
4 responsibility. From development responsibilities
5 to marketing responsibilities.

6 Q: So from approximately '79 or '80 you went to
7 the marketing side again?

8 A: Yes.

9 Q: And you were providing support to, you had
10 product responsibility?

11 A: I had product responsibility.

12 Q: For these same products, Sorbates and
13 Aspartame?

14 A: And additional ones. Not Aspartame any
15 longer. Sorbates and other products.

16 Q: And you continued in this capacity until
17 '85?

18 A: Yes.

19 Q: And at that point when you retired did you
20 do any consulting work for Monsanto?

21 A: After I retired?

22 Q: Right.

23 A: I became a consultant and Monsanto was one
24 of my clients.

25 Q: What type of consulting business did you do,

1 sir, what areas?

2 A: I consulted to a variety of companies to
3 help them evaluate whether or not they should enter
4 certain markets with their products or how to enter
5 the market with their products.

6 Q: Did you consult with Monsanto in that
7 capacity?

8 A: I consulted with Monsanto on the development
9 of a new market for an existing product so the
10 answer is "yes".

11 Q: How long did you consult, your consulting
12 relationship with Monsanto exist?

13 A: Less than one year.

14 Q: Did this immediately follow your retirement?

15 A: No, it did not.

16 Q: Do you continue to consult?

17 A: Do I continue to consult?

18 Q: Yes.

19 A: No.

20 Q: You closed up the consulting business?

21 A: Yes.

22 Q: Did the business operate under a name or a
23 corporation?

24 A: Yes. It was not a corporation but it did
25 operate under a name, CMA, which was Creative

1 Marketing Associates.

2 Q: Did you have any partners in the business?

3 A: No, I did not.

4 Q: So you operated as a sole proprietorship?

5 A: Correct.

6 Q: Did you cease -- when did it cease
7 operating?

8 A: When I started school for chiropractic.

9 Q: Approximately 1990 when you went back to
10 medical school?

11 A: Chiropractic school.

12 Q: Chiropractic school?

13 A: Yes.

14 Q: And you have been in private practice as a
15 chiropractic physician since August of '94?

16 A: I have been licensed since August of '94. I
17 began practice in December of '94. So about a
18 year.

19 Q: And you have an office in St. Louis?

20 A: Yes, I do.

21 Q: Sir, I would like to go back. Do you draw a
22 pension from Monsanto?

23 A: Yes.

24 Q: Are you being compensated for your time here
25 today?

1 A: No.

2 Q: Have you requested that Monsanto compensate
3 you?

4 A: I did not request it.

5 Q: The Pydrauls that we have discussed, I think
6 when you first went into the marketing technical
7 services area they were Pydraul F-9, Pydraul 6.5 and
8 Pydraul 150, do you recall that testimony?

9 A: Yes.

10 Q: Did the products available in the Pydraul
11 line change over time?

12 A: Yes.

13 Q: While you had responsibility in that area?

14 A: Yes.

15 Q: Okay. What additional products were added
16 or changed in that line?

17 A: Pydraul A-200 was added.

18 Q: And what was that primarily used for?

19 A: Hydraulic equipment such as die casting
20 machines. Pydraul AC was added. It's an air
21 compressor lubricant.

22 Q: Do you know when that was added, sir?

23 A: I don't actually know. I would guess it to
24 be around 1960. That's approximately.

25 Q: Any others?

1 A: I am thinking of a Pydraul 312 and similar
2 formulations were added but I can't put a date on
3 it. I think I was no longer responsible for the
4 marketing of Pydraul when that occurred.

5 Q: Do you recall what functions or uses those
6 products were designed for?

7 A: They were all hydraulic fluid.

8 MR. ROEDER: We're going to start with
9 Exhibit 375.

10 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 375
11 was marked for identification)

12 Q: Sir, Exhibit 375 is memorandum dated August
13 21, 1956 and you're a carbon copy recipient as shown
14 on the right-hand corner, correct?

15 A: Yes.

16 Q: Would this have been at the time you were at
17 Krummrich or at this point had you transferred your
18 location?

19 A: I had transferred my location.

20 Q: The reference is the Roberts Building, where
21 was that, sir?

22 A: In downtown St. Louis.

23 Q: So you were in the general offices at that
24 point?

25 A: Yes.

1 Q: So you're now in the marketing technical
2 services at this point?

3 A: Yes.

4 Q: Is this a document you reviewed in
5 preparation for your testimony today?

6 A: Yes, it was.

7 Q: It's from R. Emmet Kelly, M.D. and you
8 recognize that name, don't you, sir?

9 A: Yes.

10 Q: He was a doctor at Monsanto?

11 A: Yes.

12 Q: In charge of the medical department?

13 A: That's correct.

14 Q: G. R. Sido, S-i-d-o, who was he, sir?

15 A: I remember him only at that time as someone
16 representing us in our Washington office related to
17 government things.

18 Q: You would have received this document in the
19 ordinary course of business at Monsanto, is that
20 correct?

21 A: Yes.

22 Q: And the routing -- strike that.

23 The carbon copy recipients on the right-hand
24 corner would have all received different copies of
25 the same document in the ordinary course?

1 A: Would you repeat that?

2 Q: Sure. The people listed on the right-hand
3 side, they all would receive copies of this document
4 in the ordinary course, correct, that was the
5 practice of Monsanto?

6 A: Well, Dr. Kelly decided to include these
7 people in this memo apparently but I don't
8 understand the question do all these people -- are
9 you saying all of these people get all of the
10 correspondence related to the product?

11 Q: No, it was directed to this document. It
12 was the practice at Monsanto if you put carbon copy,
13 a list of carbon copy recipients on the top
14 right-hand corner they would all get a copy of the
15 document?

16 A: Yes.

17 Q: It wasn't a trick question.

18 A: It was an unusual question.

19 Q: The memorandum references the Kettering
20 Laboratory, are you familiar with that institution?

21 A: I remember the name Kettering Laboratory.

22 Q: What type of laboratory was it, sir?

23 A: I remember them as a testing laboratory that
24 Monsanto's medical department used for a number of
25 tests but I have no detail. I never visited them or

1 read their reports.

2 Q: All right. The, the, the discussion or the
3 memorandum indicates that Dr. Kelly had talked to a
4 doctor at the Kettering Laboratory and he gave Kelly
5 information with respect to micrograms of Aroclor
6 per liter, I'm paraphrasing. What I'm interested
7 in, the statement that Dr. Kelly says "This amount
8 increases to 0.2 and 0.3 part per million of
9 Aroclor. This would give a figure for Pydraul of .8
10 to 1.3 parts per million or roughly 5 to 10 times
11 higher than the Navy found." Do you see that, sir?

12 A: Yes, I do.

13 Q: How would the estimates in parts per million
14 be done as you understood it at Monsanto at this
15 time or at the Kettering Laboratory?

16 A: I can answer from my technical background
17 but I have no knowledge.

18 Q: Sure. That's what I'm interested in.

19 A: How are parts per million determined in this
20 kind of test?

21 Q: Right.

22 A: They somehow and in this case they
23 specifically state bubbled air through a fluid and
24 then analyze what's in the vapor space above the
25 fluid.

1 Q: When it's bubbled through the fluid how
2 would they analyze what's in the vapor space above
3 the fluid?

4 A: I don't know how they analyze that.

5 Q: But at least it's your understanding that
6 there was a mechanism available as of the date of
7 this memorandum in 1956 that would allow them to
8 measure parts per million using the method you
9 described?

10 A: Well, the method I described is one that's
11 just a general standard approach and the fact that
12 they could measure parts per million is stated in
13 the memo so I guess I have to conclude it was
14 possible.

15 Q: Okay.

16 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 376
17 was marked for identification)

18 Q: I'm showing you what's been marked as
19 Plaintiff's Exhibit 376. It's a memorandum from you
20 dated March 21, 1957. The production number is
21 TNGS 017938 and I didn't record the production
22 number for the record of the previous exhibit.
23 Plaintiff's 375 is TNGS 017878.

24 Exhibit 376, sir, is an exhibit that,
25 memorandum that you had written while at Monsanto,

1 correct?

2 A: It appears to be, yes.

3 Q: And your memorandum, which is Plaintiff's
4 Exhibit 376, references the Sloan Kettering
5 laboratories toward the bottom of the second to the
6 last paragraph, correct?

7 A: Would you allow me a moment to take a look
8 at it?

9 Q: Sure, take as much time as you wish.

10 A: Okay. I've read it. What is your
11 question?

12 MR. ROEDER: Would you read it back, Miss
13 Court Reporter?

14 (The reporter read the record as requested)

15 A: Yes.

16 Q: That's the same laboratory that's referenced
17 in the previous exhibit, isn't it?

18 A: Yes.

19 Q: Your memorandum in 1957 to a Jake Arbogast
20 references a wire that you had received regarding
21 the Bucyrus Erie Company?

22 A: Yes.

23 Q: And in that memorandum you wrote to Mr.
24 Arbogast or quoted from that wire which said "I have
25 had numerous hose and piping failures which have

1 resulted in Pydraul being sprayed over our workmen
2 and in a number of cases workmen's eyes have been
3 seriously burned. Our medical staff at a loss as to
4 how to properly treat these burns as do not know
5 Pydraul analysis." That would be a communication you
6 received from the Bucyrus Erie Company?

7 A: It appears to be.

8 Q: This was a phenomenon that you were aware
9 of, sir, at Monsanto that if a hydraulic hose would
10 fail Pydraul could be sprayed out?

11 A: If Pydraul were in the machine. Hydraulic
12 hoses fail, break, get old, whatever is in the
13 system it comes out, yeah.

14 Q: Now, the Pydraul 150, this is one of the
15 original Pydrauls you testified was in the line when
16 you started in that area, correct?

17 A: I think I said I thought it was. From these
18 documents it appears about that time it was, yes.

19 Q: Did the Pydraul 150 contain PCB's?

20 A: Yes, it did.

21 Q: Is Exhibit 376 one of the documents you
22 looked at in preparation for your testimony today?

23 A: Yes, it is.

24 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 377
25 was marked for identification)

1 Q: Exhibit 377 for the record is a, looks like
2 a printing of a wire to you from A. W. Hempelmann,
3 is that what it is, a wire?

4 A: It looks like a wire.

5 Q: Production number TNGS 18515 dated 12/15/58
6 and this references Pydraul AC, does it not? Do you
7 see that in the second line?

8 A: Yes.

9 Q: As of December of 1958 Pydraul AC was being
10 marketed and produced by Monsanto, is that correct?

11 A: That's correct.

12 Q: And it, the fax or wire to you states "Is it
13 reasonable to assume that Pydraul vapor is present
14 in some degree throughout our compressed air piping
15 system. Please advise if this vapor is toxic or
16 harmful in any way when used by persons for
17 breathing in air line type respirators", do you see
18 that?

19 A: Yes.

20 MR. PECK: Let me just state a technical
21 objection. I don't think you read it exactly.

22 MR. ROEDER: Let me read it again.

23 MR. PECK: The document speaks for itself.

24 Q: The wire to you states, does it not sir,
25 "Have letter from Crown Zellerbach Lebanon Oregon

1 dated December 10 who are using Pydraul AC in air
2 compressors which we quote in part quote is it
3 reasonable to assume that Pydraul vapor is present
4 in some degree throughout our compressed air piping
5 system. Please advise if this vapor is toxic or
6 harmful in any way when used by persons for
7 breathing in air line type respirators unquote.
8 Please let us have your suggestions for answering."

9 MR. PECK: You read is it reasonable when the
10 document states it is reasonable.

11 MR. ROEDER: Okay. Thank you for the
12 correction.

13 Q: That's what it says with the correction your
14 counsel has suggested, correct?

15 A: That's correct.

16 Q: Is this a wire that you would have received
17 at Monsanto?

18 A: I certainly don't remember it but looking at
19 the document it's addressed to me, yes, so I would
20 have probably received it.

21 Q: The use that they're referencing in this
22 wire, how would that work, sir, as you understood
23 it?

24 A: They were using Pydraul AC as an air
25 compressor lubricant which means they would

1 introduce Pydraul AC into the cylinder of an air
2 compressor to lubricate the walls, lubricate the
3 friction between the walls and piston rings and
4 prevent wear, control the wear on the compressor.

5 Q: Now, the air that was compressed, that was
6 going to be used and breathed in by individuals who
7 were working at the Crown Zellerbach facility?

8 A: Would you repeat that, please?

9 Q: The air that was going to be compressed by
10 the air compressor, was it your understanding the
11 use here would relate to individuals who breathed
12 that air?

13 A: Let me read it again. No, it reads to me as
14 though they're using Pydraul AC to lubricate air
15 compressors and they're now considering using it in
16 respirator air, they're asking if that was okay.

17 Q: So as you understood it they were not using
18 it for air that would be breathed but wanted to use
19 it for air that would be breathed?

20 A: Yeah, I have no knowledge or recollection
21 but that's the way I interpret this wire.

22 Q: Keep that exhibit and I'll show you the next
23 exhibit.

24 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 378
25 was marked for identification)

1 Q: Exhibit 378, sir, bears production number
2 TNGS 18516 through 18517, and that's a response to
3 Crown Zellerbach Corporation, sir, related to the
4 previous Exhibit 377, correct?

5 A: Yes, it appears to be.

6 Q: And the response to Crown Zellerbach states
7 that "It is certainly my opinion of our medical
8 department that the concentration of vapors that
9 would be in the air line would be very minute and
10 should introduce no hazard to workmen breathing the
11 compressed air if it is used for air masks. This is
12 especially true in view of the negative results in
13 our animal vapor exposure", do you see that?

14 A: I see it now.

15 Q: That's what it says?

16 A: Yes.

17 Q: This was Mr. A. W. Hempelmann the district
18 sales manger's response to Crown Zellerbach based
19 upon the information St. Louis had given him?

20 A: Our medical department points out, yes,
21 that's correct.

22 Q: And you would have been the point man, I
23 take it, for coordinating the response in your
24 capacity as marketing services?

25 A: It would be my responsibility that if the

1 field sales people asked for information that I
2 would see that the medical department answered
3 them. That was my responsibility.

4 Q: All right. So the sales people wouldn't
5 call the medical department, you would call the
6 medical department and if they were late in getting
7 a response you would call and ask where it is?

8 A: Typically that's correct.

9 Q: So the use suggested in both of these
10 exhibits is that individuals would be breathing air
11 delivered by the compressor, correct?

12 A: Yes.

13 Q: And the suggestion made here is that there
14 would be no hazard if the air were first filtered
15 through a mask?

16 A: Filtered through a filter.

17 Q: Through a filter, okay.

18 A: I'm not seeing that exact statement.

19 Q: Okay. Well, the air masks, I take it that's
20 referring to the masks the workmen would put on?

21 A: Yes.

22 Q: So the air would actually be delivered to
23 the masks that they would breath in?

24 A: That's my understanding.

25 Q: The exhibit continues "Normally traps or

1 filters are installed in such lines to take out any
2 odors, vapors or droplets or other foreign
3 material", that's what it says, do you see that?

4 A: Yes.

5 Q: Is there a suggestion that traps or filters
6 must be installed in such lines before such a use in
7 this letter?

8 A: In this letter to me states normally this is
9 done. So I don't understand your question.

10 Q: I mean, the, the information provided back
11 to Crown Zellerbach when they asked this question
12 regarding the use of Pydraul AC does not indicate,
13 does it, sir, that traps or filters must be used?

14 A: It says normally they are used and I would
15 concur in the design of compressed air systems
16 regardless of the lubricants, traps and filters are
17 usually used. Whether they must be used or not, I
18 don't see any reference to that.

19 Q: All right. Was this a, the discussion or
20 the question of whether or not Pydraul AC would be
21 introduced into compressed air systems that workmen
22 would breath, was this a continuing area of inquiry
23 at Monsanto?

24 A: It was quite minor, quite infrequent.

25 Q: You say it was infrequent, do you recall any

1 other instances where questions would be asked,
2 salesmen would then communicate it to you on this
3 topic?

4 A: Of breathing the air?

5 Q: Right.

6 A: I have no specific recollection.

7 Q: Well, in the air compressors as you
8 understood the Pydraul AC would be used for, what
9 type of air compressors would they be used for?

10 A: They were usually used in large industrial
11 compressors either for compressing air to separate
12 into different gases, oxygen, nitrogen, et cetera or
13 to provide air in a manufacturing plant through a
14 myriad of things, operate instruments, provide
15 pressure to blow out lines, et cetera, et cetera.
16 The breathing part of it was, was a very minor
17 part.

18 Q: At least you're aware of the use that it
19 could be, the air could be used as a, for breathing
20 for workmen?

21 A: There was some people who inquired about
22 using it for that.

23 Q: And you understood they were using it for
24 that purpose?

25 A: I have no recollection of customers using it

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1 specifically for breathing air. In reading the
2 memos you presented it appears they were interested
3 in it. Whether or not they used it for that I have
4 no recollection.

5 Q: All right. Now, these two documents,
6 Exhibits 377 and 378, did you review them in
7 preparation for your testimony today?

8 A: Yes, I did.

9 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 379
10 was marked for identification)

11 Q: Sir, Exhibit 379 is a memorandum from you to
12 Dr. R. Emmet Kelly dated February 20, 1958,
13 production TNGS 18520. This memorandum also
14 references a potential use of Pydraul AC in which
15 the air that would be compressed by the air
16 compressor would be breathed by individuals who wear
17 air masks or air helmets, correct?

18 MR. PECK: Objection as to the
19 characterization of the document. The document can
20 speak for itself as to what it says. If you want to
21 ask him about a specific part.

22 MR. ROEDER: Let me reask the question.

23 Q: Your memorandum to Dr. Kelly says "We are
24 trying to sell Pydraul AC to the Aluminum Company of
25 America through the chief lubrication engineer at

1 Alcoa headquarters. This gentelman, John T.
2 Bunting, asked our feelings regarding toxicity if
3 Pydraul AC is used to lubricate an air compressor
4 supplying air to marks (air helmets) worn 8 hours a
5 day, 5 days a week", that's what your memorandum
6 said, right?

7 A: That's correct.

8 Q: So you're aware, at least as of February
9 1959, that Alcoa was interested in using Pydraul AC
10 in air compressors that would supply air to
11 individuals who wear air helmets 8 hours a day 5
12 five days a week?

13 A: I interpreted it as Alcoa was interested in
14 using Pydraul AC in air compressors for a number of
15 uses, some of which would include breathing air.

16 Q: Anyway, Alcoa was interested in the same
17 potential use that Crown Zellerbach was?

18 A: Yes.

19 Q: And you would have gotten the request with
20 respect to this use from a salesman and then you
21 would have communicated it in your marketing support
22 capacity and passed it to Dr. Kelly?

23 A: Yes.

24 Q: The same thing you did with Crown
25 Zellerbach?

1 A: Yes.

2 Q: Did you look at this document in preparation
3 for your testimony?

4 A: Yes, I did.

5 (PPlaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 380
6 was marked for identification).

7 Q: Okay. Exhibit 380, sir, is a letter to
8 Mr. S. Facini at Chicago Pneumatic Tool Company
9 dated August 29, 1960 signed by Jack T. Garrett,
10 industrial hygienist, in the medical department.
11 You're listed as a carbon copy recipient on it,
12 correct?

13 A: Yes.

14 Q: And for the record the production number is
15 TNGS 7744 through 7745.

16 You would have received this document in the
17 ordinary course of Monsanto, correct?

18 A: Yes.

19 Q: Who is Mr. Garrett?

20 A: I remember him as being related to the
21 medical hygiene area of Monsanto. I don't remember
22 much more than that but I notice in the document
23 that he had the title industrial hygienist, medical
24 department.

25 Q: So that was his function, someone who was

1 concerned with industrial hygiene?

2 A: Yes.

3 Q: Is it fair to say you're listed as a carbon
4 copy recipient because the request to Jim Wright
5 probably was given to you and then you would send it
6 to the medical department and coordinate the
7 response to the customer?

8 A: I would have received a copy because I had
9 some product responsibility and it was my product
10 being discussed in the letter. Now, where the
11 request came from and how it channeled to the proper
12 source, the medical department, I don't know.

13 Q: So in 1960 you had, you were no longer in
14 the product marketing services area but, in fact,
15 had some more product responsibility?

16 A: Yes.

17 Q: Now, Mr. Garrett writes to your customer
18 "As you know the Pydraul fluids are insoluble in
19 water as well as heavier than water. Unless these
20 materials are strongly emulsified they will sink to
21 the bottom of any receiving stream and as such will
22 not give rise to the typical picture of oil
23 pollution." Do you agree with that statement or
24 based on your knowledge do you agree with that
25 statement?

1 A: I agree with the statement that Pydraul
2 fluids are heavier than water and will sink to the
3 bottom as opposed to petroleum oils that will float
4 on top.

5 Q: It continues "If the material is discharged
6 in large concentrations it will adversely effect the
7 organisms in the bottom of the receiving stream
8 which will effect the aquatic life in the stream.
9 This effect will probably not be any more serious
10 than the effect of heavy petroleum oils." That's
11 what Mr. Garrett again wrote. I read that
12 correctly?

13 A: Yes.

14 Q: Is that correct, as well?

15 A: I, I don't know. Some of it -- I don't know
16 how to answer that question. Do you want to be more
17 specific in your question?

18 Q: Was that statement an accurate statement
19 that Mr. Garrett made to Chicago Pneumatic Tool
20 Company?

21 A: There are several things in here. Well, he
22 states if there's a large amount at the bottom of
23 the stream it will effect the aquatic life. I have
24 no technical information to accept or refute that.
25 I can speak logically but --

1 Q: All right.

2 A: His statement that the effect will probably
3 not be more serious than the effect of heavier
4 petroleum oil, I don't fully understand what he's
5 saying or have knowledge of what he's saying. So I
6 don't understand that part of it.

7 Q: When you had product responsibility at this
8 time, sir, with Pydrauls were you ever concerned
9 about the accuracy of the information that the
10 medical department was giving to customers relating
11 to those products?

12 A: No. I accepted their area of expertise
13 since I had no medical training.

14 Q: And the reason that letters like this would
15 be written from the medical department was to be
16 sure that the customer would get as accurate a
17 picture or as accurate an answer as Monsanto could
18 give, correct?

19 A: That and in addition this was their area of
20 expertise in direct communications and the
21 appropriate way to do it.

22 Q: And you didn't want to take it upon yourself
23 to make statements concerning an area that was more
24 properly within the medical department's expertise?

25 A: That is correct.

1 Q: Did other customers request information to
2 your recollection relating to what would happen if
3 Pydraul fluids were discharged into waterways at or
4 about this time in 1960?

5 A: I've got to say I don't recall any specifics
6 but it seems logical that's a question that would
7 come up from time to time.

8 Q: Did you ever suggest that Monsanto should
9 undertake any studies to determine toxicity with
10 respect to discharges into aquatic waterways?

11 A: I'm hesitating only to try to remember if
12 and when I might have done that. I'm going to
13 answer the same way. I don't remember doing that
14 but if issues came up where we needed the
15 information I would have asked for it. I don't
16 remember asking for it.

17 Q: And looking at Exhibit 380 doesn't refresh
18 your recollection in any way in that respect?

19 A: No.

20 MR. ROEDER: It's 5 to 11. Let's take a 5
21 minute break.

22 (Short Recess)

23 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 381
24 was marked for identification)

25 Q: Sir, Exhibit 381 is a letter to Mr. H. H.

1 Boettcher, Chief Engineer, Air Products, Inc. dated
2 September 30, 1959 and signed by R. Emmet Kelly,
3 M.D.. In connection with your examination of that
4 document let me have the court reporter mark this
5 document as well.

6 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 382
7 was marked for identification)

8 Q: So you can see the context. The court
9 reporter has marked a copy for you, sir.

10 Okay. For the record 382 is your memorandum
11 dated November 5, 1959 to Dr. Kelly production
12 number TNGS 8260 and the production number for 381
13 is TNGS 18531 and 18532.

14 Your memo Exhibit 382 references 381,
15 doesn't it, sir?

16 A: Yes.

17 Q: And 381 is a letter dated September 30,
18 1959 and your memorandum to Dr. Kelly refers to
19 "Your good letter of September 30 to Air Products,
20 Inc.", same one, right?

21 A: That's correct.

22 Q: So Air Products was interested in what
23 effect the release of Pydraul AC could have on fish
24 life and plant life, correct?

25 A: That's what I read here, yes.

1 Q: Air Products, were they a significant
2 potential customer?

3 A: Yes, they were.

4 Q: Your memorandum to Dr. Kelly says that they
5 represent approximately 300,000 to 500,000 per year
6 potential for Pydraul AC, correct?

7 A: It states that.

8 Q: That would be a large customer?

9 A: Yes, it would.

10 Q: Especially in dollars as of that time?

11 A: Absolutely.

12 Q: You wrote this memorandum when you had
13 product responsibility for Pydraul AC, correct? The
14 memorandum I'm referring to is Plaintiff's 382?

15 A: Yes, what I'm pausing about it's 1959 and --
16 I would say "yes". Yes, I had product
17 responsibility.

18 Q: Apparently Mr., how do you pronounce his
19 name, Boettcher?

20 A: That's how I would pronounce it.

21 Q: Came back with questions that were not
22 answered by Dr. Kelly's letter and you reference
23 those questions in your memorandum to Dr. Kelly,
24 correct?

25 A: Correct.

1 Q: Specifically Air Products as a customer was
2 concerned with the "Botanical effect of Pydraul AC
3 on grass, shrubs, plant life, et cetera, in
4 concentrations of 1 percent to 2 percent, waste
5 water may contain up to 1 percent Pydraul, AC", did
6 I read that correctly?

7 A: I was reading a different part than you were
8 to catch up to it.

9 Q: Take as much time as you would like, sir.

10 A: Yes, I see that.

11 MR. PECK: I would state for the record you
12 correctly read a portion of the paragraph.

13 Q: All right. Now, the letter of September 30
14 from Dr. Kelly he indicates that one could set up
15 fish tests to determine the toxicity, do you see
16 that in that second full paragraph of the letter?

17 A: Yes.

18 Q: Was that ever done?

19 A: I don't know.

20 Q: Okay. Do you have any recollection of
21 requesting that such a test be performed?

22 A: I don't have a specific recollection of it,
23 no.

24 Q: Now, your memorandum to Dr. Kelly dated
25 November 5, 1959, says "Dr. Kelly, difficult as

1 their request is, I will appreciate your sending
2 further comments to and then you list Mr. Boettcher
3 at Air Products"?

4 A: Yes.

5 Q: Why was the request difficult?

6 A: Because he's asking, because the customer is
7 asking for information that doesn't exist or that
8 I'm not aware existed so it's, it's not easy for the
9 medical department to answer the question therefore
10 it's difficult. That's my interpretation as I now
11 look at these memos.

12 MR. ROEDER: I will show you the follow-up
13 letter to that, sir.

14 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 383
15 was marked for identification)

16 Q: Exhibit 383 is a letter from Dr. Jack
17 Garrett to Mr. H. H. Boettcher, the same Mr. H. H.
18 Boettcher we been discussing, dated November 16,
19 1959, production number TNGS 7727 to 7728. This is
20 the medical department's response that you had
21 requested them to make on Plaintiff's Exhibit 382,
22 correct?

23 A: Correct.

24 Q: In your view, sir, did this letter answer
25 the questions that Air Products had made regarding

1 Pydraul AC?

2 A: Would you restate the question?

3 Q: Sure. This letter was an attempt to respond
4 to the follow-up questions that Air Products had
5 regarding the use of Pydraul AC, correct?

6 A: That's correct.

7 Q: Did it respond to those questions?

8 A: Your first question was this was an attempt
9 to respond and the second one is did it respond and
10 I'm having trouble seeing the difference.

11 Q: Well, I've gone over the first question and
12 and I'll just ask the second one.

13 Did it respond to those questions, that's
14 the only question I'll ask you?

15 A: Yes, it responded to the questions asked.

16 Q: Did you ever have any criticisms or
17 corrections to this response?

18 A: I don't remember.

19 Q: Would you have been shown this response
20 prior to the time it would have been sent out as a
21 normal practice?

22 A: No.

23 Q: Okay. Mr. Garrett's response dated November
24 16, 1959 indicates that Pydraul AC "Would probably
25 drop to the bottom of any water course into which it

1 was discharged if it was not strongly emulsified.
2 However, this does not remove the possibility of
3 this material causing damage to aquatic life or
4 bottom organisms. Such bottom organisms are part of
5 the dynamic food cycle utilized by aquatic life,"
6 that's what it says, right?

7 A: That's part of the paragraph.

8 Q: You agreed with that statement, didn't you?

9 A: I think you asked a question similar to that
10 earlier and I said I didn't have technical
11 information. At that time I wasn't in medical
12 training or biological training to answer that.

13 Q: Let me reask the question differently. You
14 don't recall ever disagreeing with that statement,
15 do you?

16 A: No, I don't.

17 Q: If you look toward the second page of the
18 document, sir, that paragraph discusses the release
19 of Pydraul AC into a stream and indicates that
20 Monsanto could not answer questions relating to that
21 unless it had additional information, correct?

22 A: Correct.

23 MR. PECK: I'll object on a technical basis
24 to the paraphrasing of the statement as to what it
25 says. It speaks for itself.

1 MR. ROEDER: Well, I'll rephrase the question
2 in light of the objection.

3 Q: The letter states "We cannot answer your
4 questions concerning whether or not this material
5 can be discharged to a stream because we do not have
6 all the facts available." That's on the previous
7 page on the carry-over paragraph, correct?

8 A: That's the beginning of the fourth
9 paragraph, correct.

10 Q: And then if you continue on to the next
11 paragraph, sir, Mr. Garrett says, does he not, "We
12 cannot, however, answer these questions clearly
13 unless we have information concerning the total
14 volume of your effluent, the total volume of the 1
15 to 2 percent emulsion, other possible contaminants
16 in the effluent, the stream flow with 10 year
17 variations and the classification applied to the
18 stream by the pollution regulatory authorities of
19 Pennsylvania", correct?

20 A: That is correct.

21 Q: He continues, "If we had this information we
22 could make reasonable calculations as to what
23 concentration of Pydraul AC would ultimately end up
24 in the receiving stream. If this concentration can
25 be calculated then we can determine if

1 concentrations in this range are toxic to aquatic
2 life", that's what he wrote, correct?

3 A: That's what he wrote.

4 Q: Did Monsanto ever attempt to make such
5 calculations with additional information from Air
6 Products?

7 A: I don't know.

8 Q: Okay. Did you ever ask Mr. Garrett or
9 anyone else at Monsanto to follow-up on this
10 particular issue with respect to any of Monsanto's
11 other Pydraul AC customers?

12 A: I don't recall. From time to time I asked
13 that tests, they consider running some tests. I
14 don't recall this specific one.

15 Q: Were you aware at any point, sir, whether
16 Monsanto was using Pydraul AC in its own air
17 compressors?

18 A: I recall that it did.

19 Q: Where were the air compressors located that
20 used the Pydraul AC?

21 A: They would obviously be in our manufacturing
22 plants, if there was a use, in John F. Queeny Plant
23 in St. Louis.

24 Q: Was there use at the plant in Pensacola?

25 A: I don't recall.

1 Q: But you're aware of the John F. Queeny air
2 compressor use of Pydraul AC?

3 A: In reviewing documents yesterday I read
4 reference to it that I knew about it at the time. I
5 had forgotten but now I'm reminded.

6 Q: All right. In reviewing these, did you
7 review these three documents in preparation for your
8 testimony today, Plaintiff's 381, 382 and 383?

9 A: I believe I did.

10 Q: It is fair to say, is it not, sir, Monsanto
11 was aware that Pydraul AC would settle in the bottom
12 of waterways if it were released into those
13 waterways?

14 A: And if it were not highly emulsified.

15 Q: How would it be highly emulsified, how would
16 that process work?

17 A: When air is compressed water condenses out
18 of it as a liquid and the small amounts of lubricant
19 would be included in that liquid and it is quite
20 possible for the lubricant to appear in the water as
21 tiny droplets therefore emulsified.

22 Q: I see what you mean. So simply in the
23 process of compressing the air?

24 A: Yes.

25 Q: It doesn't include or suggest any additional

1 chemical compound would be added to that?

2 A: Correct.

3 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 384
4 was marked for identification)

5 Q: Plaintiff's Exhibit 384, sir, is a
6 memorandum from you to Elmer Wheeler dated November
7 17, 1959 the day after Jack Garrett's letter was
8 sent to Air Products, correct?

9 A: Correct.

10 Q: And you were listed as a carbon copy
11 recipient on Mr. Garrett's letter, correct?

12 A: Correct.

13 Q: While you have Exhibit 383 in your
14 possession, sir, who is R. A. Fitch, the other
15 carbon copy recipient?

16 A: The letter address shows he was with Gulf
17 Research. I don't remember the gentleman at all.
18 Gulf was at one time, Gulf Oil was at one time a
19 distributor for Pydraul fluids so it's logical he
20 was someone in the research department of Gulf Oil
21 who is a distributor but that's speculation on my
22 part. I don't remember the gentleman.

23 Q: Now, your memorandum to Dr. Wheeler says
24 "In line with our recent discussion, this is to
25 request studies on the toxicity of discharge air

1 from compressors lubricated with Pydraul AC", and
2 then you signed it, correct?

3 A: Correct.

4 Q: So that's the memorandum you wrote to Dr.
5 Wheeler November 17, 1959 including that request?

6 A: That's correct.

7 Q: Why did you make this request, sir?

8 A: I don't remember. Obviously, obviously I
9 wrote it, I can see that from the document. I would
10 have written it because of customer interest in
11 knowing but I don't actually recall what triggered
12 this.

13 Q: Okay. Who is J. W. Newcombe, the carbon
14 copy recipient of your memorandum?

15 A: He was my boss at one point in time and
16 probably in 1959.

17 Q: Plaintiff's Exhibit 384, is this the formal
18 way of requesting the medical department to conduct
19 any sort of study?

20 A: I would say it would be.

21 Q: Is there any reason that you would send it
22 in a memorandum as opposed to simply rely upon the
23 oral request to Mr. Wheeler or Dr. Wheeler?

24 A: In the conduct of business if you, if you
25 wanted to convey information it was done in writing

1 unless it was meetings or informal chats. I would
2 say this was consistent with the way we did
3 business. Nothing different from this memo than any
4 other memo.

5 Q: So you would give it to Dr. Wheeler and give
6 an additional copy to your superiors so both would
7 be aware of the nature of the request?

8 A: That's correct.

9 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 385
10 was marked for identification)

11 Q: Now, sir, Plaintiff's Exhibit 385 is a
12 memorandum from Elmer Wheeler to Dr. F. B. Zienty
13 dated December 16, 1959 and both you and Mr.
14 Newcombe are recipients of carbon copies?

15 A: Yes.

16 Q: Who is Dr. Zienty?

17 A: He was in research. I don't remember what
18 part of research but he was with Monsanto in the
19 research department.

20 Q: Was he a senior Monsanto employee?

21 A: I was in a management capacity but I don't
22 recall at what level at that time.

23 Q: He was Dr. Wheeler's boss?

24 A: Is that a question?

25 Q: Yeah. Was he?

1 A: I wouldn't think so.

2 Q: All right. Well, Dr. Wheeler's request to
3 Dr. Zienty indicates that "In answer to toxicity --
4 let me rephrase the question.

5 His memorandum, first of all, states that
6 "We have been asked to express an opinion concerning
7 the toxicity of vapors of the fluid or lubricant
8 which may be entrained in the compressed air." And
9 it relates to the use of Pydraul AC in the air
10 compressors, correct?

11 A: That's correct.

12 Q: Okay. It continues, "As you undoubtedly
13 know the use of supplied air masks or respirators is
14 common in many industrial operations. In the past
15 the only hazard has appeared to be the presence of
16 carbon monoxide in the compressed air when the
17 compressor air intake was located near a source of
18 carbon monoxide as in the case of portable
19 gasoline-engine operated compressors." Dr. Wheeler
20 also wrote that, correct?

21 A: That's in the memo.

22 Q: Dr. Wheeler --

23 MR. PECK: He's not a doctor.

24 Q: Mr. Wheeler requests Dr. Zienty, does he
25 not, to have someone in the research department

1 analyze samples of air for Pydraul AC components?

2 A: Where are you?

3 Q: The last paragraph.

4 A: He's asking if it's possible to do this.

5 Q: Right. And he indicates, doesn't he, "In
6 answer to toxicity inquiries, we have pointed out,
7 without disclosing the composition of Pydraul AC,
8 that we would not expect any detectable
9 concentration of Pydraul AC components to be carried
10 into the compressed air"?

11 A: That's what it says.

12 Q: Mr. Wheeler was concerned about overcoming
13 possible sales resistance to the use of Pydraul AC
14 if Monsanto possessed analytical data to confirm the
15 opinion he had given to customers of Pydraul AC,
16 isn't that correct?

17 MR. PECK: Objection to the form of the
18 question. The document speaks for itself as to what
19 Mr. Wheeler said.

20 MR. ROEDER: Let me rephrase the question in
21 light of the objection.

22 Q: Doesn't Mr. Wheeler say "We would be in a
23 stronger position to overcome possible sales
24 resistance to the use of a fluid containing
25 undisclosed components if we had analytical data to

1 confirm our opinions"?

2 A: It says that.

3 Q: Does this refresh your recollection as to
4 the request made to conduct this research?

5 A: No.

6 Q: It also indicates "We would be happy to
7 collect the samples from one or more compressors in
8 the Queeny Plant using this fluid." He writes this,
9 as well?

10 A: Yes.

11 Q: Is this the statement that refreshed your
12 recollection Queeny had used Pydraul AC?

13 A: Yes, it is.

14 Q: So you looked at this document in
15 preparation for testimony today?

16 A: That's correct.

17 Q: Do you know what happened with respect --
18 first of all, were there any studies made of the
19 Queeny Plant and the, whether any Pydraul AC was
20 emitted through the air that was compressed in that
21 plant?

22 A: I don't recall that, whether it was or was
23 not.

24 Q: Would that have been -- strike that
25 question. Let me see if I can refresh your

1 recollection.

2 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 386
3 was marked for identification)

4 Q: Exhibit 386, sir, is a memo from Dr. Munch,
5 he was a doctor, right?

6 A: Yes.

7 Q: To Mr. Wheeler dated December 30, 1959
8 regarding Pydraul AC vapors in compressor air. You
9 received a copy of this memorandum, did you not,
10 sir?

11 A: This shows I received a copy.

12 Q: Production number TNGS 18556.

13 In this memorandum is it fair to say that
14 Dr. Munch summarizes the conclusions reached
15 regarding analytical work to determine whether
16 toxicologically significant amounts of Pydraul AC
17 are entrained in the compressed air from air
18 compressors lubricated with that fluid?

19 MR. PECK: Object to the form as to what the
20 document states. It states what it says but you can
21 answer the question.

22 A: The memo states that this summarizes a
23 discussion between Dr. Munch and Mr. Wheeler.

24 Q: And the conclusion reached was that Monsanto
25 and its research department was not going to do the

1 analytical work but request Liberty Mutual Insurance
2 Company have the work done?

3 A: I read it as saying unless there's a lot of
4 people asking for this Monsanto would prefer it be
5 done outside by Liberty Mutual Insurance.

6 Q: Did you participate in any of these
7 discussions?

8 A: No, not that I recall.

9 Q: Were such studies ever done?

10 A: I don't recall that.

11 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 387
12 was marked for identification)

13 A: Exhibit 387, sir, is your memorandum to G.
14 R. Buchanan?

15 A: That's correct.

16 Q: Dated January 16, 1961, approximately a year
17 after Exhibit 386. Production number is TNGS
18 18608. Paragraph 2 of your memorandum states
19 "Some tests by our medical department performed in
20 1960 indicated little or no contamination of air
21 with Pydraul AC in one compressor (in the Queeny
22 Plant), lubricated with this material." Did I read
23 that correctly?

24 A: Yes, you did.

25 Q: So, in fact, there was a test performed of

1 Pydraul AC by the medical department?

2 A: Apparently so.

3 Q: And you would have received a copy of that
4 report?

5 A: I should have. Whether or not I did I don't
6 remember. But I should have.

7 MR. ROEDER: For the record, Counsel, we had
8 asked for copies of these documents related to the
9 Queeny Plant and tests done. I will follow this up
10 in writing pursuant to Ms. Rutter's request but I
11 think it relates to these issues and they have not
12 been produced and I think we're entitled to that.
13 So I'm making that statement on the record.

14 MR. PECK: Okay.

15 Q: What, what does this indicate to you, sir?
16 What did it indicate to you in 1961, that little or
17 no contamination of the air with Pydraul AC was
18 found?

19 A: What did it mean to me?

20 Q: Right.

21 A: It meant to me, what it meant to me then I
22 don't remember. What it means to me now is that the
23 state of the technology at the time there was, there
24 was very little, if any, lubricant in the air.

25 Q: So you didn't think it was a concern?

1 A: I can't draw that conclusion either way.
2 I'm quoting our medical department in 1961.

3 Q: Right. Well, the conclusion of the medical
4 department was that there was little or no
5 contamination of the air, correct?

6 A: That's what it says. That's what the
7 document says.

8 Q: And so there -- was there any statement or
9 action you took in relation, statements you made or
10 actions you took in relation to this conclusion?
11 Let me rephrase the question.

12 A: Please.

13 Q: I'll try and do it a little better.

14 Was this information that you would use in
15 your capacity at Monsanto, that the medical
16 department had found little or no contamination of
17 air with Pydraul AC in the compressor they studied?

18 A: Would you repeat that?

19 MR. PECK: Could you repeat that, Miss Court
20 Reporter?

21 (The reporter read the record as requested)

22 A: And I would answer that's a statement of
23 fact when asked, as I was in this case, about, about
24 the use of Pydraul AC in this case, a poultry
25 application. I would rely on the facts that came

1 from the medical department that was in this test
2 they found little or no contamination of the air.
3 So, yes, at the appropriate times I would use that
4 statement.

5 Q: So if a customer called you up and gave you
6 this situation and asked you has your research
7 discovered whether Pydraul AC is contaminated in the
8 air which is compressed you would say based upon the
9 facts you had and disclose to them what your medical
10 department had determined?

11 MR. PECK: Object to the form of the
12 hypothetical question.

13 MR. ROEDER: I'm trying to find out how you
14 would use this.

15 Q: If a customer called you up with this
16 information would you repeat the information you
17 indicated in your memorandum?

18 A: My knee jerk reaction is probably not. It
19 depends on what the customer was using the air for,
20 what pressures, what temperatures, what did he want
21 to know and why. When it was appropriate I would
22 use that comment and it was in this case.

23 Q: Would the use of the air in an air -- how
24 would the use effect your answer of the air, you
25 said you would want to find out how the customer was

1 using it?

2 A: If the air was used for breathing I would
3 refer it to the medical department. This was not an
4 adequate statement I don't think. If the air was
5 used in an industrial process. That's probably one
6 of a number of statements I would make. The other
7 statements would be in our literature. If it were
8 used for -- we didn't make electro, I'm thinking of
9 the electronics industry and the super clean rooms.
10 I don't think they barely existed then. Again I
11 would say it's a specific use and I would refer to
12 to someone better qualified to answer. But for a
13 general industrial application I would, I could well
14 have made that statement along those lines.

15 Q: Did you ever request after your initial
16 memorandum to Mr. Wheeler that other studies be done
17 of Pydraul AC as it was used in air compressors?

18 A: Other than the study in the document we
19 looked at earlier?

20 Q: Right.

21 A: I don't recall requesting other studies.

22 Q: Do you recall it being an issue after this
23 point in the early 1960's?

24 A: Specific to Pydraul AC?

25 Q: Right.

1 A: No.

2 Q: How about with respect to Pydrauls?

3 A: At some point in time there were, there was
4 new information on the ecological impact of Pydraul
5 fluids, generally not the air compressors, and so at
6 that time the issue came up again and I think
7 studies of that nature were done.

8 Q: Okay.

9 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Numbers 388
10 thru 389 marked for identification)

11 Q: Exhibit 388 is a memorandum dated April 18,
12 1960, correct, that's your memorandum?

13 A: Yes.

14 Q: Exhibit 389 is a letter that you requested
15 in Exhibit 388 that the medical department write,
16 correct?

17 A: That's correct.

18 Q: Exhibit 388 has production number TNGS 18562
19 and Plaintiff's 389 has production number TNGS 18564
20 to 18565.

21 Is it fair to say that this was becoming at
22 least a, if not a routine issue with respect to
23 Pydraul AC, one that would come up from time to time
24 where a customer would call and ask questions with
25 respect to the toxicity of Pydraul AC and you would

1 refer the letter or request to Mr. Wheeler who would
2 then send out a reply promptly to the customer with
3 respect to toxicity of the product?

4 A: I think you've asked two things. The second
5 part of the question, when a question came in about
6 the toxicity of Pydrual did I refer it to the
7 medical department for the answer, I did.

8 The first part had to do you with the
9 frequency of this becoming an issue. I remember it
10 as quite infrequent. We looked at a few documents
11 over a four year span so that doesn't seem like a
12 huge frequency and I don't remember it being a huge
13 frequency.

14 Q: But your request to Mr. Wheeler was dated
15 April 18, 1960?

16 A: Yes.

17 Q: And the response was sent out two days later
18 on April 20, 1960?

19 A: That's correct.

20 Q: So it seems as though they're able to draw
21 upon information they had or get the letter done
22 fairly quickly, would you agree with that?

23 A: Yes.

24 Q: Mr. Wheeler writes to Mr. Hooper who is the
25 recipient of the letter, at Phillips Chemical

1 Company, April 20, 1960, on the second page he
2 writes "We believe that any Pydraul AC carried over
3 in compressed air or gases presents no significant
4 toxicity hazard to humans breathing the air or gas."
5 That's what it says, right?

6 A: That's what it says at the beginning of that
7 paragraph.

8 Q: And you don't recall disagreeing with that?

9 A: I had no information to cause me to agree or
10 disagree so I relied on the medical department.

11 Q: Was Phillips Chemical Company potentially a
12 large purchaser of Pydraul AC?

13 A: I don't remember that. They were now in the
14 air liquefaction business so they would not be as
15 large as other customers referred to earlier. I
16 have no recollection of their potential size.

17 Q: When you use the term air liquefaction what
18 did you mean by that?

19 A: Some of the documents related to Air
20 Products Company which uses huge amounts of air to
21 compress them, liquefy them and distill them into
22 oxygen, nitrogen, argon and other gases. That was
23 probably the largest amount of air compressor
24 lubricant for which our product would have been used
25 as opposed to plant maintenance air, processed air.

1 Q: How about gas transmission companies,
2 natural gas transmission companies, where do they
3 fit into the spectrum?

4 A: In between those two.

5 Q: So the very large company, the air
6 liquefaction companies, would they actually create
7 or manufacture or process an air product, so they
8 would split up argon?

9 A: Yes.

10 Q: So then would they compress argon and sell
11 argon?

12 A: Yes.

13 Q: And compress oxygen and sell oxygen or
14 liquid oxygen in the compressed form?

15 A: Yes.

16 Q: The people, the lowest or smallest users
17 just on the general characterization, are people
18 that want air capacity for air hoses in a plant?

19 A: That sounds fair, yes.

20 Q: And they wouldn't be using it necessarily in
21 their operations but they might need air to run
22 tools, for example?

23 A: Yes.

24 Q: Things of that nature?

25 A: Yes.

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1 Q: Or to clean?

2 A: I think you're describing maintenance kind
3 of air requirements, yes.

4 Q: And you would put the use of air by natural
5 gas transmission companies in the middle of those?

6 A: Somewhere in between.

7 Q: Were natural gas transmission companies
8 large purchasers of Pydraul AC?

9 A: As I recall they were significant
10 purchasers.

11 Q: What in your, to your thinking would be a
12 significant purchaser?

13 A: The total Pydraul AC volume is not very
14 large and how many dollars or gallons were purchased
15 by a gas transmission company I have no
16 recollection. They were not buying in tank cars,
17 they were not buying in five gallon cans, they were
18 buying in drums. How many drums, frankly, I don't
19 recall.

20 Q: Would you be able to determine or form a
21 conclusion yourself if they're buying drums that
22 they're using the Pydraul AC?

23 A: If they're buying the product would I
24 surmise they're using it?

25 Q: Right.

1 A: By logic I would.

2 Q: And would you also surmise by logic that if
3 they have a system where the Pydraul AC is already
4 in the air compressor, if they're continuing to buy
5 Pydraul AC then the Pydraul AC that's in the system
6 is either being used or is being emitted, when I say
7 used I mean destroyed in the process of its use?

8 A: In the lubrication of an air compressor,
9 which is what I believe you're talking about,
10 lubricant is introduced in the cylinder of the
11 compressor on a continuing basis and typically with
12 any lubricant is discharged from the compressed air
13 along with the condensed water. We talked about
14 that earlier..

15 Q: Now, the letters that we have looked at, we
16 looked at several today, for example, Plaintiff's
17 Exhibit 389 to Phillips Chemical Company, the
18 reference to filters that's contained in those
19 letters is with respect to potential uses of the air
20 that's compressed that humans would breath, correct?

21 A: There are other reasons to filter things out
22 of the air, whether it's droplets of water or
23 droplets of oil or droplets of Pydraul. I could
24 envision in some applications you want these
25 removed.

1 Q: I'm just talking about the references that
2 we've looked at, whenever there's a reference to
3 filters the context in which we have seen thus far
4 in these exhibits all relates to someone potentially
5 breathing in the Pydrual AC that has been
6 compressed, is that not correct?

7 A: It has up to now. I'm not sure if this one
8 speaks about breathing air. I'm still not sure that
9 it does. But it speaks to the, it speaks to the
10 question of toxicity of breathing air which
11 contains, you know, which has been compressed and
12 equipment lubricated with Pydraul AC.

13 Q: The letter to Phillips Petroleum states
14 "We believe that any Pydraul AC carried over in
15 compressed air or gases presents no significant
16 toxicity hazard to humans breathing the air or gas"?

17 A: Yes. To me that does not mean it's an air
18 helmet someone is wearing but discharge of the air
19 into the atmosphere where someone can breath it.
20 For example, from pneumatic instruments.

21 Q: All right. Okay.

22 Now, the reference in the paragraph right
23 above that says "We believe good industrial practice
24 dictates compressed air systems providing air to
25 workmen engaged in sand blasting or other industrial

1 operations include air line filters." That reference
2 is one for people who are breathing that air, right?

3 A: That isn't clear whether this is for the
4 workers in air helmets or talking about the air in
5 the, providing pressure to the sand blasting
6 equipment but in either case the air is in the
7 vicinity of the workmen.

8 Q: Okay. Now, had you ever visited a natural
9 gas transmission company yourself personally?

10 A: I have a recollection of visiting one.

11 Q: Which one did you visit?

12 A: I don't remember.

13 Q: Do you have a recollection of where you went
14 to visit?

15 A: It was south of St. Louis but I don't
16 remember.

17 Q: That includes a lot of area.

18 A: I don't remember which one. I did visit
19 one. There was no specific reason to visit other
20 than it was a customer and it was an opportunity for
21 me to see firsthand an application. I remember
22 hearing a noise so loud I never heard before. I was
23 not able to walk a straight line. It was a big
24 experience.

25 Q: Who did you go with?

1 A: I went with a salesman and I don't remember
2 which salesman.

3 Q: Was there an air compressor that was used in
4 the natural gas transmission company that you
5 visited?

6 A: I remember the gas turbines. I don't
7 remember seeing air compressors, although if it were
8 a customer of Monsanto's Pydraul program it's
9 logical they had air compressors. Whether they were
10 lubricated by Pydraul or still a potential customer
11 lubricating with oil that I don't remember. I just
12 remember going to a gas transmission station.

13 Q: So this was a station? We hadn't established
14 that in the record. This was a station, you went to
15 a station not to a general corporate office,
16 correct?

17 A: Yes.

18 Q: And you went with a salesman who was
19 attempting to sell one of the Pydrauls?

20 A: As I say, it was either a customer or
21 potential customer.

22 Q: You heard a very loud noise, loudest you
23 ever heard at least up to that point?

24 A: Loudest sustained noise I had ever heard.

25 Q: Do you know how the Pydraul would be used at

1 that gas station, gas transmission station?

2 A: The only application I'm aware of Pydraul in
3 a gas station, in a gas transmission station, would
4 be in air compressors used to start up gas
5 compressors.

6 Q: Do you know when this visit occurred?

7 A: No, I have no recollection.

8 Q: Well, can we agree that it would have been
9 prior to 1968ish when you testified your
10 responsibilities changed?

11 A: Yes.

12 Q: And the use of the Pydraul AC that you were
13 familiar with, from visiting this gas transmission
14 station or simply through the course of your job,
15 was that Pydraul AC would be introduced into the air
16 compressor?

17 MR. PECK: Objection to the form of the
18 question. It's characterizing his testimony Pydraul
19 AC was used at this station. I think his testimony
20 was otherwise.

21 MR. ROEDER: He's not sure is his testimony.
22 Let me rephrase the question.

23 Q: You had an understanding, did you not, sir,
24 as to how Pydraul AC would be used in a gas
25 transmission station?

1 A: I'm aware of the application for which gas
2 transmission companies use Pydraul AC.

3 Q: How did you become aware of that
4 application?

5 A: My best recollection is from customer
6 communication to Monsanto, that I am using or plan
7 to use Pydraul AC in air compressors which we use
8 here to start up gas compressors. That's a
9 hypothetical statement. I don't remember any such
10 statement but it was typical how I would learn about
11 a customer's application.

12 Q: So the, your recollection or best
13 understanding as you look back on it is you
14 understand customers would use the air compressors
15 to start up the gas compressors?

16 A: That's my understanding.

17 Q: And in the process of using a Pydraul AC in
18 that application Pydraul AC would be added to the
19 compressors, for example, to top up the compressors
20 so it would have enough lubrication?

21 A: No, that's not my understanding.

22 Q: Why would someone need it, why would someone
23 come back to Monsanto and buy more?

24 A: As I said, it's my recollection that the
25 cylinder lubricant and air compressor was added drop

1 by drop to the cylinder, to where the wall or
2 pistons were rubbing and that was quite separate
3 from all of the bearings and everything that make
4 the machine run. And it was a continuous drop wise
5 lubrication of that cylinder. There was no way a
6 lubricant could stay there permanently so it was
7 continually added.

8 Q: It was a closed system, was it not, sir, so
9 the Pydraul AC would be added and then as it cycled
10 through the system it would be added again?

11 A: Pydraul AC would be added to the cylinder.
12 That Pydraul, some would remain and some would be
13 removed with the air either as a liquid or vapor.
14 It would be condensed along with the water that
15 would be caught with the condensed water and,
16 therefore, new lubricant had to be added on a
17 continuous basis.

18 Q: Now, the drop by drop use of the Pydraul AC
19 that you discussed, that would occur mechanically
20 inside the air compressor, right?

21 A: Yes.

22 Q: And so somebody at the beginning of the
23 operation before they started up the air compressor
24 would make sure there was a sufficient quantity of
25 Pydraul AC, correct?

1 A: That's logical, yes.

2 Q: And then they would check it, either after
3 they turned it off or in operation to see whether
4 there was still a sufficient amount?

5 A: That would be speculation on my part. I
6 don't see a problem.

7 Q: All right.

8 MR. ROEDER: Let's take a break.

9 (Short Recess)

10 Q: Would you keep track, sir, of the amount of
11 purchases that would be made by gas transmission
12 companies as opposed to, in the, how did you
13 describe it, the air liquefaction customers, would
14 that be part of your responsibilities as a product
15 manager?

16 A: It would not be an ongoing responsibility.
17 My interest would be in the total volume of sales,
18 potential sales of the product and at times a
19 specific customer volume but industry by industry,
20 application by application for Pydraul AC, no, I
21 would not, not normally have that information.

22 Q: Out of the different Pydrauls, was Pydraul
23 AC a larger or smaller component of the product
24 group in terms of sales?

25 A: Smaller.

1 Q: The Pydraul 200's you described, for
2 example, that's in the die casting use?

3 A: Correct.

4 Q: That would be a much larger use?

5 A: That is correct.

6 Q: Was it an area of use that Monsanto expected
7 would grow larger?

8 A: There were not very large expectations for
9 that, although there were certain potential uses for
10 air liquefaction which were a very significant
11 volume.

12 Q: But certainly the air compressor uses for
13 natural gas transmission companies, that was a very
14 limited use, correct, the market wasn't huge on
15 that?

16 A: The market was not huge in the context, no.
17 The market was not huge.

18 Q: Was not a growing market that you would
19 anticipate would significantly increase over time,
20 correct?

21 A: The growth of sales of air compressors was,
22 to the best of my knowledge was not huge so it was a
23 matter of penetrating the market. I think the
24 amount of penetration that occurred and was expected
25 was pretty limited. So the bottom line nice but not

1 a horrendously large application.

2 Q: It's fair to say, is it not not, sir, that
3 the Pydrauls that Monsanto sold were very profitable
4 though in terms of the profit realized for the sales
5 of the product?

6 A: I don't know as I would say that. In 1956,
7 there was no profit there. In later years there
8 was significant gross profit but high sales and tech
9 service expense so that the dollars of profit, or
10 percentage of profit would, were not overwhelming.

11 Q: Was a 40 percent gross profit a good profit
12 in your view?

13 A: For a typical chemical that would be very
14 good. For a chemical that required high tech
15 service and et cetera, et cetera, you've got to
16 subtract that from the gross profit to get a net
17 return to the company. So I would say that's pretty
18 much what it had to be.

19 Q: Was that part of your responsibility to
20 subtract out the costs of technical services and
21 such?

22 A: I wish you would clarify the question.

23 Q: In answer to the previous question you
24 indicated that, you know, you would have to subtract
25 out the costs associated with this particular

1 product to find out its real value to the company,
2 at least that's what I understood you to say, is
3 that fair?

4 A: Yes.

5 Q: Was it part of your responsibilities to
6 calculate those costs and net them out?

7 A: No, it was not.

8 Q: So what you're indicating what, what it had
9 to be, you're basing your testimony on your guess or
10 supposition of what the costs would have been, is
11 that fair to say?

12 A: I was informed of what the costs were.

13 Q: By whom?

14 A: By my superiors.

15 Q: Which would be whom?

16 A: When?

17 Q: Well, I mean, let's say in 1957 or '58 as
18 you discussed earlier who would have informed you of
19 the costs or who did, do you recall?

20 A: '57 and '58 as I recall from the documents
21 my immediate superior was John W. Newcombe who would
22 have received the information from his superiors and
23 passed them down.

24 Q: If the division or the products were not
25 profitable, did you have, wouldn't you have had a

1 concern as to whether or not your future lay in the
2 air?

3 MR. PECK: Objection to the form of the
4 question. It lacks foundation. His testimony was
5 that the product was not profitable. But you can
6 answer.

7 MR. ROEDER: Let me rephrase the question in
8 light of the objection.

9 Q: Didn't you have concerns over the
10 profitability of the products that were being sold
11 when you were selling them?

12 A: At some point in time fairly early in my
13 Pydraul days there was concern that the Pydrauls
14 were not returning any, any money to Monsanto. In
15 fact, they were at one point at a loss. And I
16 recall with the help of the accounting department
17 and my superiors having to find out the details of
18 that and discovered such things as allocated
19 quantities of monies were, arbitrary allocations
20 were not appropriate, et cetera, et cetera. So to
21 that extent I was involved.

22 Q: When did you do that?

23 A: In the early days of my Pydraul experiences
24 and I would guess it would be 1957, 8, somewhere in
25 there.

1 Q: Mr. Newcombe would ask you to look at the
2 issue and you did? I'm trying to figure out what
3 you specifically recall you did?

4 A: That was Mr. Art Kroger who brought it to my
5 attention, who was Mr. Newcombe's boss. He was
6 director of sales.

7 Q: So did Mr. Kroger say to you in words or in
8 effect that we're not making any money on this, go
9 find out why?.

10 A: I remember seeing a statement, again early
11 on, Pydraul fluids, I think this is when I began my
12 Pydraul supervisory role, Pydraul fluids are not
13 profitable, find out why.

14 Q: Did you do something about it?

15 A: Yes, I did.

16 Q: Did they become more profitable after you
17 investigated the issue?

18 A: Yes, they did.

19 Q: How did they become more profitable?

20 A: One way I alluded to already was the
21 allocation of sales expenses was based on a
22 different part of the product line, namely our
23 aviation industry, and those allocations were
24 adjusted to be more appropriate for the amount of
25 service rendered. There were things involving a

1 commercial enterprise with another company which
2 involved the aviation fluids and some of the
3 industrial fluids we were able to make some
4 adjustments in that contract. Things such as that.

5 Q: What you discussed, sir, really relates to
6 Monsanto's own ability to accurately track and
7 allocate the costs that should be associated with
8 the product, right? For example, the aviation
9 industry costs, your testimony is, is it not, that
10 too much of the aviation industry costs were
11 allocated to Pydraul when they shouldn't have been
12 allocated that way, right?

13 A: Generally correct. More accurately the same
14 type of allocation was used for industrial
15 application as had been used for the aviation
16 application industry and they weren't warranted if
17 you look at the actual hours that went into it.

18 Q: So the actual profitability of the product
19 as you understood it had to be determined by
20 accurately assessing the costs associated with that
21 product and matching that up with the revenues
22 derived from that product, right?

23 A: How do you mean matching up with revenues?

24 Q: Well, to know whether a product is
25 profitable you have to know the costs associated

1 with that product?

2 A: Right.

3 Q: Directly or indirectly?

4 A: Correct.

5 Q: And what you're testifying to with respect
6 to the aviation industry is that a cost associated
7 with that product was too high as it was estimated
8 by Monsanto?

9 A: No. What I was saying is if you assume the
10 same level of technical support, et cetera, for
11 industrial fluids as you do for aviation fluids you
12 find too high an expense for what's actually being
13 done period and, therefore, the reduction of the
14 gross profit, the reduction of the profit in gross
15 to net was not accurate.

16 Q: I think we're saying the same thing only in
17 different terms. The Pydrauls required less in
18 terms of that service than the aviation fluids?

19 A: That's correct.

20 Q: Monsanto was estimating a much higher number
21 than was appropriate with respect to Pydrauls
22 because it was using the wrong standard, the
23 aviation standard?

24 A: You're getting quite specific but I don't
25 disagree with what you're saying.

1 Q: And the commercial enterprise that you
2 discussed then related to a contract with someone
3 also in the aviation area?

4 A: Yes.

5 Q: Those are all Monsanto internal tracking
6 issues what costs were allocated to the Pydraul to
7 determine how profitable it was, is that correct?

8 A: That sounds correct from my understanding.

9 Q: And after, I presume you were able to effect
10 a change in the way those costs were attributed to
11 the Pydrauls?

12 A: That's correct.

13 Q: And that was early on in your tenure in the
14 marketing area, so about '57, '58?

15 A: Yes.

16 Q: After that time is it your view the product
17 was profitable?

18 A: It was never looked at by the company as a
19 real star profit performer as were some other
20 products but, but they were profitable enough to
21 continue the sales effort that had products. The
22 Pydrauls were not very large or not very profitable
23 in Monsanto's eyes.

24 Q: Well, the -- well, the biggest business
25 Monsanto would be interested in as a general

1 practice would be the agricultural area, is that
2 correct?

3 A: It didn't exist at that time.

4 Q: Monsanto had no agricultural division at
5 that time?

6 A: There was some -- no, it did not.

7 Q: Okay. Well, as you understood it, if you,
8 what is the business that had the greatest potential
9 and profit for Monsanto when you started in the
10 Pydrauls?

11 A: I was not speaking on a corporate basis but
12 in the fluids area. As an example Skydrol was a
13 more profitable product in both volume and
14 percentage than Pydraul.

15 Q: So Pydraul was a small sort of niche
16 product?

17 A: I'm not sure why you say or what you mean by
18 niche.

19 Q: Let me define it for you then. Well, there
20 were several products produced under different names
21 in the functional fluids or specialty products
22 group?

23 A: Correct.

24 Q: You had the Aroclors denominated as such,
25 correct?

1 A: Yes. They were not in the fluids group when
2 I entered it.

3 Q: But were when you left?

4 A: But were when I left.

5 Q: And Aroclor was a trade name Monsanto had,
6 correct?

7 A: Yes, correct.

8 Q: And it referred, did it not, generally to
9 the use of PCB containing products for the
10 dielectric industry?

11 A: Chlorinated biphenyl products for the
12 electrical industry.

13 Q: So in transformers and capacitors, correct?

14 A: Yes.

15 Q: And that was the most significant part when
16 you left that industry or left that group, would be
17 it for the dielectric industry, transformers,
18 capacitors, that was the most significant portion of
19 sales that were made in these areas, is that not
20 correct?

21 A: I don't think so. Do you want to get more
22 specific?

23 Q: Sure. We'll see more documents. I'm just
24 trying to see what you recall before we go into the
25 documents.

1 There are Therminols, you had responsibility
2 for them?

3 A: Yes, I did.

4 Q: Was that a larger portion of the business
5 than the Pydrauls?

6 A: It started very small, it was quite
7 profitable and it grew to significant size. So now
8 we got to talk about a point in time.

9 Q: When was it small and when did it grow to
10 significant size?

11 A: In the later 1960's -- in the early 1960's
12 it was kind of an offshoot of the electrical
13 application. A case where a customer took an
14 existing product and put it to its own use. In the
15 late 1960's I was asked to handle the commercial
16 aspects of the products and we took a different
17 marketing plan structure and it began to grow.
18 Typical growth curb starts slowly and gains steam
19 and it retained significant profits and grew to
20 quite a large size. Your question was when was it
21 large?

22 Q: Right.

23 A: It was probably in the mid 70's it began to
24 be significant and after I left the area, in fact,
25 after I retired it continued to grow to a large

1 size. You know, large is relevant, relative.

2 Q: Sure. How big is a box and how long is a
3 string?

4 A: It began to be noticed on a corporate wise
5 basis probably in the '80's.

6 Q: Okay. Now, the, when you were involved with
7 respect to the Pydrauls did they ever reach a point
8 where you would consider your sales significant?

9 A: On a corporate basis, no. On an organic
10 chemical division basis, maybe.

11 Q: Did you make that, did you yourself think we
12 got a pretty good little business here, we're making
13 money, we're selling, people are buying, we're
14 showing a need, didn't you answer those questions
15 yourself as you would perform your duties at
16 Monsanto?

17 A: I don't know if I ever looked at it that
18 way, but in fairness there was an ongoing business,
19 there was a need for supplying that need, customers
20 were buying, we were producing. It was an ongoing
21 business. I didn't see it at the top of the
22 corporation or something down at the bottom to be
23 just ignored. It was a business.

24 Q: And Monsanto was the sole producer of PCB
25 containing fluids in the United States, was it not?

1 A: That's correct.

2 Q: So it was your business -- did you have any
3 concerns as to whether or not there would be
4 additional market entrance in the United States?

5 A: For what?

6 Q: For PCB containing products?

7 A: There was also a concern, even if you're the
8 sole producer that some day a competitor may come in
9 so we tried to conduct our business in that way.

10 Q: How did that effect how you conducted your
11 business?

12 A: It was more of an interest in the dielectric
13 application than to mine. We had significant
14 competition from other chemistries and if someone
15 else were to make PCB's in the United States or
16 import PBC's but I don't think it would have a big
17 impact on our business.

18 Q: For example, there are phosphate ester
19 applications that competed directly with the
20 Pydrauls, correct?

21 A: Correct.

22 Q: But there was no particular formulation that
23 competed directly with the dielectric use, is that
24 also correct?

25 A: That's correct.

1 Q: So they sort of have the little monopoly in
2 that respect?

3 A: Only in the United States.

4 Q: Okay. Now, did there come a point in time,
5 sir, where the use of Pydrauls became -- strike
6 that. I'll rephrase the question.

7 At what point did you believe the Pydrauls
8 were profitable in your use and I should say your
9 sale of that product?

10 A: Profitable is a relative term. When I
11 started they were not earning a profit, within two
12 years they were earning a profit. One to two
13 years. Would I call them profitable? That's a
14 relative term. I never thought of them as a really
15 high profit product.

16 Q: Did you think of them as a steady profit
17 producer?

18 A: Yes.

19 Q: And as a person with product responsibility
20 would your performance be judged based upon the
21 profitability of the product?

22 A: At that time I didn't feel that kind of
23 pressure in the company, no. I do recall a series
24 of higher management levels in the company changing
25 from time to time anywhere from the product manager

1 should have keened responsibility for the profits of
2 the product to it's none of your damn business, just
3 market it. So again when you're talking about --

4 Q: In the '56 to '58 period you didn't have
5 product responsibility, right, you were just market
6 and support?

7 A: Correct.

8 Q: So '58 on you had product responsibilities?

9 A: Yes.

10 Q: So from '58 to '60, the time period we've
11 been looking at in these documents as far as your
12 testimony here, did you have a responsibility for
13 the profitability of the product?

14 A: In the context of those years I was, you
15 know, if it was losing money they said do something
16 about it. If it was making money nobody said
17 anything much. So did I have profit
18 responsibility? Partial responsibility.

19 Q: Well --

20 A: Along with my bosses.

21 Q: Would you be annually reviewed, would you be
22 annually reviewed?

23 A: Yes.

24 Q: So come review time you would sit down in an
25 office with your superior and one of the things that

1 they would discuss is whether the product is
2 profitable, correct?

3 A: I don't remember those discussions on
4 profitability. I remember discussions on volume,
5 because we would forecast what volume we would sell
6 and we would either sell that much more or less.
7 Profitability didn't come into it very often unless
8 there was an extreme, it's losing money or making a
9 tremendous amount of money.

10 Q: Would you be involved in the forecasts?

11 A: Yes.

12 Q: And, for example, from the period of '60 to
13 '64 what would your involvement in the forecasting
14 of the sales of Pydrauls include?

15 A: From '60 to '64?

16 Q: I'm just trying to get a feel. If there's a
17 more convenient time in the 60's let me know. I
18 just picked that arbitrarily.

19 A: Usually someone from accounting would ask
20 our department, either me directly or my boss, to
21 give a forecast of how many pounds we would sell,
22 gallons, in the following 12 months, calendar, and
23 what our average prices would be.

24 Q: Your boss was who at that point?

25 A: John Newcombe.

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1 Q: Still Mr. Newcombe. And how would you go
2 about preparing your forecast?

3 A: This is pre computers.

4 Q: More art than science, I guess?

5 A: We might draw a curve of what the growth or
6 decline looked like. We would consider anything big
7 happening on the horizon like a new application was
8 found or something like that and fairly
9 conservatively we would forecast a number. It was
10 pretty much seat of the pants.

11 Q: Well, the application for the air
12 compressors, that first came on line in the late
13 50's, that was your testimony, correct?

14 A: The late 50's or early '60's. I don't
15 remember.

16 Q: We seen a document today from 1958 that
17 related to Pydrual AC?

18 A: Right.

19 Q: So after the Pydraul AC application was
20 found did the sales increase with respect to sales
21 of Pydrauls?

22 A: Very little.

23 Q: Very little. Okay. Did that also follow a
24 typical growth curve as you've indicated the
25 Therminols did later?

1 A: I don't recall Pydraul AC being large enough
2 to have been plotted in the shape of the curve. It
3 started at zero and began to add customers as we did
4 get volume. It was never large in the shape of the
5 curve of any significance.

6 Q: So in the '60 to '64 period that we're
7 discussing you sit down with Mr. Newcombe, come up
8 with the seat of the pants idea where you expected
9 to be next year and these numbers would be submitted
10 to the accounting department and you would have some
11 projection where you would hope to be in the
12 following year, is that correct?

13 MR. PECK: Object to the form.

14 A: Right.

15 Q: Did that process change from '64 to '68?

16 A: Not that I recall. It had gotten a little
17 more sophisticated but not that I recall.

18 Q: Did Mr. Newcombe remain your superior?

19 A: No, Mr. Buchanan replaced him at some point
20 in time.

21 Q: Mr. Buchanan's first name is what?

22 A: George.

23 Q: What happened to Mr. Newcombe?

24 A: He had a different assignment. Actually
25 both of those gentlemen were in the petroleum oil

1 additive department to which the fluids department
2 reported at that time. Mr. Newcombe stayed within
3 the automobile oil additive area but no longer
4 associated with fluids.

5 Q: Mr. Buchanan, when he came in was there a
6 difference in the way you would plot out your
7 projections?

8 A: I have no recollection of that.

9 Q: Did the sale of Pydrauls increase from the
10 '64 to '68 period?

11 A: As I recall they did.

12 Q: How about the sale of Pydraul AC?

13 A: I have no specific memory. The documents
14 suggest it but I don't recall.

15 Q: When you, in '68 when you assumed the
16 responsibility with respect to Therminols as well,
17 that was a promotion, correct?

18 A: I got to smile and say my title didn't
19 change and I didn't get any more money. I was given
20 an added responsibility. I didn't see it as a
21 promotion initially.

22 Q: Were you given the responsibility because
23 the Pydraul sales weren't sufficient to support your
24 total attention?

25 A: No.

1 Q: Is this about the time when the Therminol
2 sales began to take off?

3 A: When I was given responsibilities for the
4 Therminols there were a few customers using
5 chlorinated biphenyls on their own as heat transfer
6 fluids. There wasn't a marketing program. It was
7 given to me so it could get some specific attention
8 to develop a marketing program for it. It had
9 nothing to do with Pydraul.

10 Q: So what's happening is people either had an
11 Aroclor or Pydraul AC and they were putting it to
12 use in a heat transfer application?

13 A: I don't understand that question.

14 Q: Sure. Until there was a formal Therminol
15 marketing plan is it fair to say customers were
16 using non Therminol products in a heat transfer
17 application?

18 A: A few customers.

19 Q: So some customers would have a dielectric
20 PCB containing fluid, for example, and might use it
21 in a heat transfer application?

22 A: The word containing is not necessarily
23 correct. A few customers purchased chlorinated
24 biphenyls which was used in dielectric applications
25 and in non fluid applications and attempted to use

1 it as they would a petroleum oil in a heat transfer
2 system.

3 Q: Would they get your approval prior to that
4 use?

5 A: I was not involved at that time so you want
6 to --

7 Q: I want to know whether this use was an
8 unauthorized use by the customers and Monsanto
9 discovered, hey, this is a good potential market or
10 is this something Monsanto encouraged?

11 A: It started -- first of all, it was not my
12 responsibility when it started. That was Mr.
13 Benignus.

14 Q: I understand that.

15 A: So what communications went on between Mr.
16 Benignus and others I have never been privy to.
17 I am aware that an engineer from Monsanto was
18 assigned to work with Mr. Benignus to help
19 understand the application, help the customer use
20 the product properly.

21 Q: Do you know what customer this was?

22 A: No. I remember the engineer but not the
23 customer.

24 Q: Who was the engineer?

25 A: Bill Davis.

1 Q: Any relation?

2 A: No.

3 Q: So the other Mr. Davis was working with
4 Benignus because they learned the customer was using
5 this in heat transfer application and wanted to
6 develop this as a potential in the market?

7 A: The customer was asking for advice using the
8 product and Monsanto responded by assigning an
9 engineer who knew heat transfer systems.

10 Q: Is it fair to say this engineer then came
11 back and said, this is a good use, potentially a
12 good use and we should exploit it?

13 A: I don't think the engineer would have said
14 that.

15 Q: Said anything like that, like this is a new
16 market we should look into or words to that effect?

17 MR. PECK: I object on the grounds it calls
18 for speculation since his testimony has already been
19 he wasn't involved at this time. Answer if you
20 know.

21 MR. ROEDER: Let me rephrase the question in
22 light of the objection.

23 Q: Did Mr. Davis ever tell you his involvement
24 in the development of the Therminol use or discuss
25 it with you?

1 A: No. Mr. Davis told me of his technical
2 involvement, the engineering aspects.

3 Q: And you took that to develop into a
4 marketing plan?

5 A: No.

6 Q: Tell me how it worked then?

7 A: When I was given responsibility to develop a
8 marketing program for heat transfer fluids and I
9 went out and looked at heat transfer systems to try
10 and understand what the market was like. What they
11 wanted, what was needed and so forth.

12 Q: And then you would draw upon the technical
13 information that the engineer Davis had in preparing
14 the plan?

15 A: Very little. With some input but very
16 little.

17 Q: How about, up to this point, sir, we're
18 getting perhaps a little bit ahead of ourselves in
19 relation to the documents that were selected, but up
20 to 1960 from the documents that have been looked at
21 you're aware that the Pydraul AC's, for example, if
22 released into the water would settle at the bottom,
23 right?

24 A: If it were not emulsified it would settle in
25 the bottom.

1 Q: If it were emulsified, sir, and you were in
2 the water that, emulsified in water which was then
3 emitted into a waterway, what would happen to that
4 PCB containing fluid?

5 A: You can't tell whether it would remain
6 emulsified and be washed away or something in the
7 water would cause the emulsion to break. I have no
8 way of knowing.

9 Q: So if it stayed within the water it might
10 just wash but if it precipitated out it could also
11 emulsify?

12 A: Answering on a technical basis that's
13 correct.

14 Q: Was there discussion or that you
15 participated in relating to the disposal of Pydraul
16 fluids? How are Pydrauls disposed of as you
17 understood it?

18 A: Which Pydrauls?

19 Q: Any Pydrauls, was there a procedure set in
20 place or guidelines given to customers as to how to
21 dispose of them?

22 A: Initially, no. Well, there was, there were
23 safe, safety and handling information always
24 provided to customers, literature, labels, et
25 cetera. Specific to disposal, I don't recall early

1 on that there were, it was information provided. In
2 that the customer was already using something else,
3 disposing of it in some way.

4 Q: Well, as a person with product
5 responsibility did you deem it to be part of your
6 job responsibilities to determine how the customer
7 was disposing of the Pydraul he bought?

8 A: Pydraul, no. Not in 1956, 7, '60.

9 Q: '61, '62, '63, in that time period?

10 A: Somewhere in that time period, as I said
11 earlier I don't remember the date, but it was
12 somewhere in the, I think late 60's, Monsanto, along
13 with the rest of the world, became informed that
14 there was some ecological issues to be examined.
15 Before that time, no.

16 Q: Now, prior to the time that you testified
17 Monsanto became aware of these ecological issues,
18 you personally were aware of the characteristics of
19 the Pydraul fluids that recommended them for their
20 uses, weren't you?

21 A: Yes.

22 Q: And I'll make the question a little more
23 straightforward but I wanted to get the general
24 answer. For example, Pydrauls were very stable
25 thermally, it took a lot to burn them?

1 A: That's quite a different issue. They were,
2 they resisted burning. They were fire resistant is
3 the way we put it.

4 Q: Otherwise known as thermal stability?

5 A: No.

6 Q: Okay. But they were stable, did have a
7 rating of thermal stability as well, did they not?

8 A: Compared to what? No, they were less -- no.

9 Q: Well, in the thermal stability that would be
10 important in the Therminol or heat transfer
11 business?

12 A: That correct.

13 Q: So you could heat them up to a very high
14 degree and they wouldn't break down, right?

15 A: Straight chlorinated biphenyl properly
16 produced would stable to a given temperature.

17 Q: And the temperature?

18 A: Six hundred degrees Fahrenheit,
19 approximately. That's Therminols not Pydrauls.

20 Q: But the Pydrauls that had the Aroclors had
21 some of these properties in them, as well, did they
22 not?

23 A: No, there were other components in the
24 Pydrauls that would make them less than stable.

25 Q: Phosphate ester?

1 A: As an example.

2 Q: The products we discussed that would not
3 burn easily, they're fire resistant?

4 A: That's correct.

5 Q: What other qualities did they have that as a
6 person with product responsibility you would be able
7 to discuss with the potential user, talking about
8 the early 60's?

9 MR. PECK: I object to being vague when you
10 say what other products. I mean, there are numerous
11 products.

12 Q: Pydrauls in particular.

13 A: In the case of Pydrual AC it had to be an
14 adequate lubricant.

15 Q: Lubricity, is that the word?

16 A: Yes.

17 Q: Even though there were, to be an adequate
18 lubricant it would have to be heat resistant, as
19 well, isn't that correct?

20 A: It would have to be resistant to the
21 environment in which it was used. How hot, it
22 didn't have to go to heat transfer type of
23 temperatures.

24 Q: But hotter than you might normally expect in
25 outside, for example? Air compressors may go to 100

1 degrees, 150 degrees internal temperatures, is that
2 not correct?

3 A: I don't know a temperature but I wouldn't
4 dispute they could go to 100 degrees. You're talking
5 about Fahrenheit?

6 Q: Right.

7 A: I wouldn't doubt that at all. Water cools,
8 air cools -- I really don't recall the design that
9 well, but, yes, they would be hotter because of the
10 compression itself is going to be hotter than the
11 air outside.

12 Q: So they wouldn't breakdown in the normal
13 weather you would experience walking around every
14 day?

15 A: I don't think that question can be
16 answered. Air and water --

17 Q: Normally every day, if it's 100 degrees
18 Fahrenheit it's very hot, and these fluids were
19 designed to withstand temperatures in excess of what
20 you would expect normally every day walking around
21 in St. Louis or in North Carolina?

22 A: Sitting on a tabletop in the air with
23 Pydraul AC will decompose but not to a measurable
24 extent.

25 Q: It wouldn't vaporize very easily at room

1 temperatures, is that also correct?

2 A: Yes.

3 Q: Unlike water which would vaporize readily,
4 if you put a cup of Pydrual AC on a table it would
5 stay there, it wouldn't generally vaporize, right?

6 A: Yes. That's correct.

7 Q: And this was information that you were aware
8 of certainly as early as 1960 when these letters
9 were being written to Phillips Chemical and Air
10 Products and these other companies, right?

11 A: I was aware it was fire resistant, it has a
12 relatively low volatility, that sort of thing. I was
13 aware of that.

14 MR. ROEDER: Why don't we break?

15 (Lunch Recess).

16 MR. ROEDER: Let's mark this as the next
17 Exhibit.

18 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 390
19 was marked for identification)

20 Q: Sir, right before the break we were talking
21 about the potential uses and basically the
22 characteristics of the products that had PCB's that
23 were beneficial in terms of their uses, the Pydrauls
24 had lubricity, they were stable to a certain degree,
25 and they have thermal stability, correct?

1 A: We were talking more about volatility and
2 limited thermal stability is appropriate for the
3 application there.

4 Q: They didn't burn, they were fire resistant?

5 A: Yes.

6 Q: They ultimately will burn though, is that
7 correct?

8 A: That's correct.

9 Q: What degree approximately?

10 A: Depends on the droplet size. For example,
11 steel will burn. It's not a matter of temperature
12 as to temperature and particle size.

13 Q: Ultimately Monsanto built its own
14 incinerator to handle PCB containing fluids, isn't
15 that correct?

16 A: I know there was discussion about it. I
17 don't recall if it was ever built.

18 Q: And those incinerators -- strike that.

19 The incinerator Monsanto did install would
20 burn PCB containing fluids at temperatures in excess
21 of 1000 degrees, isn't that correct?

22 A: As I said, I don't know the design. Logic
23 says it would be well over 1000.

24 Q: Do you know whether the incinerator worked?

25 A: I don't know.

1 Q: Would Mr. Benignus be somebody who had a
2 closer relationship with that issue?

3 A: I'm trying to remember when he retired.

4 Q: Approximately '73 to '74 he retired.

5 A: That would seem to be about the time they
6 were talking about the incinerator. He knows more
7 certainly, is somebody who knows more than I did.

8 Q: Now, Exhibit 390 is a memorandum from C. J.
9 Eby to Howard Bergen dated October 23rd, 1961. You
10 are carboned on it, is that correct?

11 A: That's correct.

12 Q: Along with Mr. Benignus and several other
13 individuals. And this memorandum relates or
14 discusses Dr. William Horwitz of the Food Division
15 of the FDA who is hot on the trail of a chlorinated
16 "compound X". Did you review this memorandum, sir,
17 in preparation for your testimony here today?

18 A: Yes.

19 Q: Were you aware of a compound X issue as it
20 developed in 1961?

21 A: No, I was not aware of that.

22 Q: But you would have received this memorandum
23 in the ordinary course, correct?

24 A: Yes.

25 Q: Horwitz who is the doctor from the food

1 division of the FDA, the Food and Drug
2 Administration, was investigating the use of Aroclor
3 as "extensors" for insecticides?

4 A: Yes.

5 Q: You were aware of that use, were you not?

6 A: I had heard of that.

7 Q: Did that raise any concerns in you mind that
8 the Aroclors may be used as extensors in
9 insecticides?

10 A: No, I was, this was very far afield from
11 what I was involved with. I had heard of it and I
12 think it was something that had gone on some years
13 before. So I had no concern because I knew nothing
14 of the application.

15 Q: Well, the potential investigation by the
16 Food and Drug Administration as of 1961 into whether
17 or not Aroclors could be a "compound X" that was a
18 causative factor in chick edema?

19 A: Correct.

20 Q: That was a concern that you would have
21 shared at Monsanto at the time, is it not?

22 A: I don't think so. As I remember this
23 application was not chlorinated biphenyls. It was
24 chlorinated terphenyls or chlorophenyls or something
25 and had nothing to do with products I was selling.

1 Q: What's the difference between a
2 chlorinated terphenyl and a chlorinated biphenyl?

3 A: A chlorinated terphenyl is a larger
4 molecule, has three rings instead of two, is a
5 different chemical compound.

6 Q: Made out of the same chemical components,
7 though?

8 A: Carbon, hydrogen, chlorine. So is
9 chloroform.

10 Q: But chloroform as the way it is put
11 together, sir, readily decomposes in the
12 environment, is that not correct?

13 A: I don't think it decomposes but it has
14 certain toxicity.

15 Q: If there's chloroform it's a gas, what
16 happens to the chloroform in your experience that's
17 released into the environment?

18 A: It evaporates.

19 Q: It evaporates. Readily?

20 A: Yes.

21 Q: And we've already established that doesn't
22 happen through PCB's as you understand it, right?

23 A: Not readily.

24 Q: You would have to heat it at a very high
25 temperature, for example, to have any PCB's

1 evaporate into the environment, correct?

2 A: Any, any significant amount is correct.

3 Q: You're using your own term. Just so we're
4 on the same page, what do you mean by a significant
5 amount?

6 MR. PECK: Actually I think the witness was
7 responding to your use of the term.

8 MR. ROEDER: I'm trying to find out what he
9 means when he says significant.

10 Q: When a PCB containing fluid is heated, as
11 you described it, it would not be a significant
12 amount of evaporation, what's significant in your
13 mind as you used it in your previous answer?

14 A: What I had in mind is that everything
15 evaporates. This table evaporates but that is not a
16 significant amount of vapor. So PCB's evaporate
17 more readily than this table but at room temperature
18 it would be awfully hard, I would image, to measure
19 what's coming off. I'm not sure what you're --

20 Q: How quickly do PCB's evaporate?

21 A: Very slowly.

22 Q: Ten years, 15 years, has there been any
23 estimates that you're aware of as to how quickly
24 PCB's would evaporate at room temperature?

25 MR. PECK: Objection to the question being

1 vague.

2 Q: Let's just say PCB's in Pydrauls, how
3 quickly would the Pydraul fluids you were familiar
4 with as a product specialist evaporate?

5 MR. PECK: Same objection.

6 A: Very slowly. Very slowly. I can't quantify
7 that.

8 Q: Well, would it take more than a year for a
9 cup of Pydraul sitting on this table to evaporate?

10 A: I can only give you a technical guess.

11 "Yes".

12 Q: Would your technical guess take more than
13 five years?

14 A: I can't, you're beyond my realm of
15 guessing. Things involved in vaporization are the
16 vapor pressure of the material, the diffusion
17 constants which means how fast is the air blowing
18 over it so that you can clear the air and more can
19 evaporate. When the air is saturated with the
20 material it no longer evaporates. If I understood
21 what you were trying to find out I could answer you
22 more intelligently.

23 Q: At the time you were, had product
24 responsibility for the Pydraul you had access to
25 information that would indicate how quickly Pydrauls

1 would evaporate, didn't you, or is this something
2 Monsanto even tested for?

3 A: We knew the vapor pressure. If you want to
4 talk about how fast something evaporates you have to
5 tell me, and I still couldn't answer it, how large
6 is the container, what temperature things are at?
7 It's relatively nonvolatile. I feel comfortable
8 saying that. Compared to water it's nonvolatile.

9 Q: And compared to the ability of this oak
10 table in front of us to evaporate it's relatively
11 nonvolatile as well, correct?

12 MR. PECK: Objection. It's a
13 mischaracterization of his testimony. His testimony
14 is it would evaporate more quickly than this table.

15 MR. ROEDER: I don't think it
16 mischaracterizes his testimony. Do you want the
17 question read back?

18 MR. PECK: Your statement was it would be
19 relatively nonvolatile compared to this table and
20 his testimony was the opposite.

21 Q: So the table would evaporate more quickly
22 in your mind than a cup of Pydraul?

23 A: More slowly than a cup of Pydraul.

24 Q: You can't tell us how quickly?

25 A: That's correct.

1 Q: You knew, did you not, sir, as of 1961, the
2 date of this memorandum to Mr. Bergen, that Aroclors
3 and PCB's were, in fact, toxic and had a toxicity
4 level, did you not?

5 A: That's two different questions. Everything
6 has a toxicity level including distilled water and
7 were they toxic, all the information from the
8 medical department coming to me at the time is they
9 were relatively nontoxic, that their toxicity was
10 similar to that of petroleum oil.

11 Q: You can't drink petroleum oil, can you?

12 A: Cannot you say?

13 Q: Right.

14 A: Of course you can drink petroleum oil. In
15 very minute quantities. People take mineral water
16 and that's a medication.

17 Q: Well, you've never taken Aroclor as a
18 medication, have you, sir?

19 A: No.

20 Q: You wouldn't recommend it, would you?

21 A: No.

22 Q: Was it your expectation, sir, in reviewing
23 the memorandum, the letters to Mr. Hooper and other
24 customers that we've looked at this morning, that --
25 strike that.

1 In reviewing these documents is it fair to
2 say Monsanto was telling its customers that if PCB's
3 get into the water they would sink to the bottom?

4 A: If they're not emulsified, right.

5 Q: And if they're not emulsified and sink to
6 the bottom they could pose a danger to aquatic life?

7 A: What I recall seeing in these memorandum was
8 that if it was assumed that if sufficient material
9 settled to the bottom of the stream on top of
10 aquatic life it could have an effect and I would
11 expect that statement to be made for any chemistry
12 that was in water. You can't expect a plant to grow
13 in an, underwater plant to grow when you cover it
14 with something.

15 Q: Sir, you knew it would be toxic, you just
16 didn't know to what extent it would be toxic?

17 A: No, I don't know if they were referring to
18 chemical toxicity or smothering of the plant.

19 Q: You can't tell by looking at this?

20 A: Let's look at what you're asking about.

21 Q: For example, Plaintiff's Exhibit 383,
22 there's a 1 or 2 percent emulsion, that was
23 discussed here?

24 A: Yes.

25 Q "We feel that it is possible for this

1 material or any other emulsified organic material to
2 cause damage to plants such as grass, shrubs, et
3 cetera, if the materials are sprayed directly on the
4 plants and shrubs repeatedly for some length of
5 time", you agree with that statement, right?

6 A: It's a logical statement to me.

7 Q: Do you agree with it?

8 A: That it is possible for this or any organic
9 material to cause damage to plants, do I agree with
10 it? It's logical to me. I wouldn't go so far as to
11 say I agree or disagree. It's perfectly logical
12 something that breaths air cannot be covered with an
13 organic material.

14 Q: Monsanto could, could have in this time
15 performed its own tests to determine how toxic and
16 what concentrations this would be toxic to plants,
17 is that not correct?

18 A: Could have tested? If they had sufficient
19 information to be able to run the tests probably I
20 guess they could have run the tests.

21 Q: What additional information would they need
22 to run the tests?

23 A: The kinds of things that they talked about
24 in the documents. That's not my area of expertise.

25 Q: I understand that but as the person who was

1 the go between between the medical department and
2 the sales department don't you recognize that if
3 Monsanto had wanted to perform a test supervised by
4 the medical department or whoever where they would
5 take a concentration of Pydraul AC and spray it on
6 plants they would be able to have some test data
7 that would indicate in what concentrations
8 Pydraul AC was toxic to those plants? They don't
9 need that information from the customer, do they?

10 A: I think to be meaningful they need to find
11 out what the customer application is and duplicate
12 it and measure the results.

13 Q: Well, when as we see there is a discussion
14 in the letter with respect to the potential toxicity
15 of Pydraul AC for fish, Monsanto could have
16 fashioned its own tests, couldn't it, defined its
17 own parameters and decided if X amount of Pydraul AC
18 were released into the water and could see what
19 effect it would have on species of fish?

20 A: What I read in this memo is there's
21 insufficient data. They needed to know discharge,
22 what quantity of water, what flow of water so that
23 it's not just what's being put in but what is it
24 going into.

25 Q: But that's for that individual plant,

1 correct, sir? I'm talking about in general.

2 A: They did animal toxicity studies and they're
3 recited in the documents that you showed me.

4 Q: They sprayed some for six hours?

5 A: No, we're talking about -- are you talking
6 about plants or fish?

7 Q: Either one. Or we've already examined or
8 discussed the fish, you said that wouldn't be
9 meaningful and you needed more information?

10 MR. PECK: Objection. That mischaracterizes
11 his testimony.

12 MR. ROEDER: The record will show what the
13 witness said.

14 MR. PECK: The record will show what the
15 document said and a request was made to the customer
16 to perform the test.

17 MR. ROEDER: The record will show what the
18 record will show, Counselor, and I don't think you
19 need to suggest answers to the witness.

20 MR. PECK: I'm not suggesting any answers but
21 when there's mischaracterization of documents we've
22 already discussed I feel it it appropriate to say
23 so.

24 MR. ROEDER: The rules are clear what the
25 objections can be.

1 Q: Monsanto could have fashioned its own test
2 without regard to a particular customer, sir, could
3 it not, that would indicate on a particular species
4 of fish, for example, what concentrations of Pydraul
5 AC released in that water would be lethal to that
6 fish?

7 MR. PECK: Objection to the hypothetical
8 nature of the question. It's just a technical
9 objection. You can answer.

10 A: Monsanto did run tests and documented in
11 what you've shown me here that showed the lethal
12 dosage of each of these products on rats and this
13 was common technology for studying toxicology, any
14 material. Now we're talking about fish. What fish,
15 what levels, and so forth? Given the information,
16 let's take a six month old trout and feed it Pydraul
17 AC until 50 percent of the trout die, that, if we
18 were asked to do that we could do that.

19 Q: And Monsanto could have done its own testing
20 with respect to shrimp, for example?

21 MR. PECK: Objection as to the hypothetical
22 nature of the question.

23 Q: The effect of, the release of Pydraul AC on
24 the shrimp population, they could have done those
25 tests?

1 A: The answer is the same as before. We did it
2 on rats and probably other animals. If we were
3 asked to feed, to expose shrimp to a given product
4 up to the point where 50 percent of them died we
5 would have a number. We could have done that test.

6 Q: Why would Monsanto have to be asked to do
7 that test?

8 A: Why would they have to be asked to do that
9 test? Because one could test everything in every
10 way, exposure to everything with no relevance to 99
11 percent of it. So we wait until there is a need.

12 Q: You would, the practice of Monsanto was to
13 wait until someone asked them to do the test?

14 MR. PECK: Objection. It's not only
15 argumentative but mischaracterizes his testimony.

16 MR. ROEDER: You can answer the question.

17 A: There is no end to the questions that might
18 be asked and one could spend forever testing the
19 toxicity on various vegetables, on various animals,
20 four-legged, two-legged. So typically you do those
21 things which are relative, the customer has an
22 application and says what is the effect of Pydrual
23 AC on breathing air, we'll look at that issue. What
24 is the effect of Pydraul on a fish, we'll try and
25 look at that issue.

1 Q: The Exhibit 390 that we're looking at,
2 Plaintiff's Exhibit 390, the FDA, Aroclor issue,
3 October 23rd, 1961 is the date of that memorandum,
4 sir, did Monsanto perform any tests with respect to
5 the, the effect that Aroclor 1242 may have for
6 chickens and whether such could cause chick edema?

7 A: I don't know if such tests were run.

8 Q: Did you ask that any such tests be run
9 yourself?

10 A: Not that I recall.

11 Q: This is a specific inquiry, sir, is it not,
12 that Monsanto is aware of that the FDA is looking
13 into this issue, correct?

14 A: In paint, yeah.

15 Q: So as you understand it would this be a
16 sufficient basis for Monsanto to then examine --
17 strike that. I'm going to rephrase the question.

18 MR. PECK: I'm going to object.

19 MR. ROEDER: There's no question pending so
20 there's objection called for at this point.

21 MR. PECK: The document speaks for itself as
22 to the issue of the 1242 and whether or not tests
23 were conducted but if you want to pull portions out
24 and mischaracterize the document I'll just have to
25 state for the record that's being done but if we

1 read further we may have an answer to your question.

2 MR. ROEDER: We may or may not. There's no
3 question pending so there's no reason for an
4 objection.

5 Q: Would this be sufficient in your mind for
6 Monsanto to investigate the effect that Aroclor 1242
7 would have with respect to chick edema?

8 A: You're asking me to speak for Monsanto.
9 Speaking for myself I had nothing to do with the
10 application of Aroclor in paint so this doesn't
11 relate to me or anything I ever did in Monsanto.
12 Are you asking me to speculate what the corporate
13 entity would do?

14 Q: No, what I'm trying to figure out, sir, if
15 it doesn't relate to you why are you sent a copy of
16 it?

17 A: You have to ask Mr. Eby. I was involved
18 with products that contained Aroclor 42 but had
19 nothing to do with the use of Aroclor in paint. He
20 may have carboned me in as a courtesy because I had
21 interest in that chemistry for other uses.

22 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 391
23 was marked for identification).

24 MR. PECK: Is this document in any way
25 different from Exhibit 380?

1 MR. ROEDER: It is the same one. Let's just
2 go back to 380.

3 Q: Sir, 380 which you have in front of you,
4 states on the fourth paragraph "Based on the
5 toxicity studies of these fluids with laboratory
6 animals I would not expect them to be very toxic to
7 aquatic life." This is the letter to Mr. Facini at
8 Chicago Pneumatic Tool. "On the other hand, this is
9 a surmise on my part since we have no tests on
10 aquatic animals". It is your testimony Monsanto
11 would not perform any tests on aquatic animals
12 unless and until they had gotten a request from the
13 customer?

14 A: I think that would be an incomplete
15 statement.

16 Q: When would Monsanto perform tests on aquatic
17 animals, what would be a complete statement in your
18 view?

19 A: In addition to a specific customer request
20 if there were reason for us to anticipate that this
21 was -- let me think that through. I think what I
22 found your question was restrictive, Monsanto
23 wouldn't act unless a customer asked them to. We
24 did a certain amount of toxicity studies on every
25 product anticipating, based on technology at the

1 time, anticipating things that would need to be
2 known. Then as we began to commercialize the
3 product other applications come to mind, et cetera
4 so that generally it was a customer alerting us to
5 something but I wouldn't restrict the answer to
6 that, that we never responded to a customer demand.
7 It doesn't feel like the way we operate.

8 Q: Well, your answer encompassed a couple of
9 things I would like to follow-up, sir. You said
10 based on the technology at the time. You included
11 that in your answer. What was the technology that
12 you were aware of that you would use in connection
13 with testing, that would be used by Monsanto in
14 connection with the testing of PCB containing
15 fluids?

16 A: What was the technology?

17 MR. PECK: I object as being grossly broad.
18 If you understand the question and can answer it, go
19 ahead.

20 MR. ROEDER: That was part of his answer.

21 A: I can only give examples. Two come to
22 mind. One is if someone were looking for a product
23 present in a parts per billion level, at that time
24 that technology didn't exist.

25 Q: Early 1960's?

1 A: Yeah. Another thing that would come to mind
2 is, is the ecological factors involved in the
3 product. It was not, to my knowledge it was not
4 really state of the art in the 60's. It was just
5 coming into being.

6 Q: Well, in the 60's you had gas chromatographs
7 at this time?

8 A: I think they were there at that time.

9 Q: Well, how did -- we looked earlier at what
10 Sloan Kettering was using.

11 A: What document are you looking at?

12 Q: 375. They were finding 0.2 to 0.3 parts per
13 million with respect to Aroclor, how would that
14 vapor be analyzed, what would be the machine or
15 testing mechanism by which that would be analyzed?

16 A: A gas chromatograph is something that
17 separates things and I'm not familiar enough --
18 first of all, I don't recall it says gas
19 chromatograph. I know they existed but I don't know
20 when they came into existence. They were within my
21 industrial lifetime. Are you asking how would they
22 have measured parts per million? I don't know.

23 Q: Did Monsanto perform any fade analyses?

24 A: I'm not familiar with that term.

25 Q: Are you familiar with mass spectrometers?

1 A: I've heard of them.

2 Q: What are they?

3 A: I got to answer you I think a mass
4 spectrometer did something to the chemical which
5 then gave an imprint or wave length to characterize
6 the product and bring it to bear against the
7 standard. I don't know.

8 Q: Is that what they're referring to in Exhibit
9 390?

10 A: Where are you?

11 Q: Second paragraph when Horwitz calls back
12 "This week indicating that the FDA might like to
13 know all about our Aroclor process of manufacture,
14 our methods of analysis including chromatographic."
15 Is that related to gas chromatography?

16 A: Well, it's chromatography. Whether it's gas
17 or liquid, I don't know. So this infers
18 chromatographic equipment existed in 1961. That's
19 something I wasn't really up-to-date on.

20 Q: Well, when you left the Krummrich Plant you
21 were in a technical capacity?

22 A: Yes.

23 Q: Were you in pure research?

24 A: No.

25 Q: You indicated you were sort of functioning,

1 I take it, as an industrial engineer in certain
2 respects to make sure the manufacturing, to assist
3 in manufacturing?

4 A: Yes. Industrial engineer is not correct. I
5 was involved first in chemical laboratories doing
6 very simple analyses on products that were being
7 produced, quality of finished products. And then I
8 did some process engineering related to the chemical
9 processes we were using to see if I could improve
10 them in any way and then I did some manufacturing
11 supervision.

12 Q: Were you working in Pydrauls at this point?

13 A: No.

14 Q: You didn't get to Pydrauls until '56?

15 A: That's correct.

16 MR. ROEDER: Let's make this Exhibit 391.
17 I'll take the sticker that has been previously
18 marked and put it on here.

19 Q: Just so the record is clear, sir, Exhibit
20 391 is your, is a memorandum to you from J. D.
21 Wright which, in fact, resulted -- first of all,
22 that is a memorandum to you from Mr. J. D. Wright?

23 A: Yes.

24 Q: It appears to be dated August 18, 1960,
25 TNGS 18582 Bates production number and this is the

1 memorandum that resulted in Plaintiff's Exhibit 380,
2 isn't it, sir?

3 MR. PECK: I'll object to the form of the
4 question but you can answer.

5 A: Exhibit 380 is a letter to Mr. Facini from
6 our industrial hygienist. 391 is a memo from Jim
7 Wright to me regarding the same company.

8 Q: And the date on the Jim Wright memo to you
9 is August 18, 1960?

10 A: Yes.

11 Q: The date on the letter to Mr. Facini is
12 August 29, 1960?

13 A: Correct.

14 Q: So this is Monsanto's response to Chicago
15 Pneumatic Tool Company's request for advice on the
16 safe disposal of Pydraul fluids, correct?

17 A: Yes.

18 Q: I would like to show you another letter to
19 that same company.

20 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 392
21 was marked for identification)

22 Q: Exhibit 392 is your letter to Mr. J. R.
23 Rowland at Charles Pfiser and Company and is dated
24 November 17, 1961, correct?

25 A: Correct.

1 Q: And this relates to a Chicago Pneumatic air
2 compressor and the question a customer had with
3 respect to compatibility of Pydraul AC with another
4 lubricating oil that was being used in that
5 compressor, correct?

6 MR. PECK: Object to the form of the
7 question. The document speaks for itself. The
8 objection is to any characterization.

9 Q: You wrote to Mr. Rowland "Pydraul AC is
10 compatible with Gulf harmony 69 and leakage of
11 Pydraul AC into this oil would form a true solution
12 with satisfactory lubricating properties." What did
13 you mean by the term true solution?

14 A: One dissolves and the other is emulsified.

15 Q: Emulsified solution, they are not dissolved
16 but readily split apart, is that fair to say?

17 A: Emulsion means a droplet of one liquid
18 contained within another liquid. Whether or not it
19 separates depends on other things. You can make
20 emulsions that never separate, you can make
21 emulsions that separate. Like milk, you used to
22 have to shake a bottle of milk to emulsify the
23 cream. Now you don't, it's permanently emulsified.

24 Q: You're not suggesting PCB's are like milk,
25 are you, sir?

1 A: No.

2 MR. PECK: Objection. Come on.

3 Q: Again there was a question as to the carry-
4 over of air compressor cylinder lubricant filters.
5 Have you, what did you mean by the carry-over with
6 respect to that? I'm looking at the first paragraph
7 on the second page.

8 A: Carry-over refers to the lubricant on the
9 cylinder wall of an air compressor carrying out of
10 the compressor in the air.

11 Q: That the air compressor compresses?

12 A: That's correct.

13 Q: That's known as a carry-over effect?

14 A: It's commonly called carry-over.

15 Q: And that's what you understood when you
16 wrote this letter in '61, correct?

17 A: That's a long time ago but it would seem so,
18 yes.

19 Q: It's a well known principal on the air
20 compressor with respect on air compressors, is it
21 not?

22 A: That some lubricant carriers through,
23 carries forward?

24 Q: Right.

25 A: Yes.

1 Q: Had you ever suggested, sir, to people who
2 used air compressors that they use filters to trap
3 any PCB's before they were continued -- strike that,
4 before the PCB's were emitted from the air
5 compressors?

6 MR. PECK: Referring to this document?

7 MR. ROEDER: Just in general.

8 A: I remember conversations with Monsanto's
9 Brink midst eliminator people about the possibility
10 of using brake midst eliminators in applications
11 where no lubricant at all was warranted in the
12 effluent air.

13 Q: What became of those discussions?

14 A: We did not attempt to commercialize a
15 combination of Brink midst eliminators of Pydraul AC
16 or any lubricant.

17 Q: Why not?

18 A: The customer had the option of buying non-
19 lubricated compressors that didn't require liquid
20 lubrication. So there was a way to create that type
21 of air if the customer wanted it.

22 Q: When did you have these discussions, sir?

23 A: I don't remember but this memo suggests it
24 was going on at this time in 1961.

25 Q: Was the issue of filters with respect to

1 vapors for this carry-over effect, was it every
2 formalized in any sales brochures related to Pydraul
3 AC? Do you understand my question?

4 A: No, I don't.

5 Q: Let me rephrase it this way.

6 Did Monsanto ever make any formal
7 recommendation in sales brochures its customers use
8 filters in connection with the use of Pydraul AC?

9 A: I don't recall that it was.

10 Q: Did you have any discussions concerning that
11 issue, whether the filter recommendation should be
12 included in the pamphlets or brochures relating to
13 Pydraul AC?

14 A: I don't remember having that discussion.

15 Q: In you mind was it a significant issue that
16 was worthy of considering and not putting or putting
17 in any of these brochures?

18 A: I would like to say "no" and explain that.
19 Lubricated air compressor systems were very similar
20 whether they used petroleum lubricants or synthetic
21 lubricants such as Pydraul AC. The filters don't
22 remove vapors, they just remove midst. That the
23 customers, the people who made air compressors
24 typically included things to catch the condensate
25 water. They provided filters where the customer had

1 a need for filters and the use of Pydraul AC instead
2 of petroleum oil is not a great difference unless
3 there was something to consider such as breathing
4 air. Therefore, it was, not to my knowledge,
5 filtration was not put into our literature to the
6 best of my knowledge.

7 Q: Were you the person who had responsibility
8 for approving literature?

9 A: One of them.

10 Q: Did you draft any of the literature
11 yourself?

12 A: On Pydrauls? I certainly had input to the
13 commercial statements and some of the use
14 statements. Whether I wrote or instructed someone
15 what to put in there I don't remember.

16 Q: Now, your last answer you refer to the fact
17 that air compressor manufacturers would have some
18 mechanism to trap condensates, did I understand you?

19 A: That's common, yes.

20 Q: Did Monsanto make any recommendations to
21 customers that they should put -- strike that. Let
22 me go back.

23 You were aware, were you not, sir, that
24 users of air compressors would from time to time
25 blow the system out, do you understand that term?

1 A: No, I don't.

2 Q: Were you aware, sir, that users of air
3 compressors would drain the condensates on the
4 system?

5 A: Yes.

6 Q: That's the reason you trap them then you can
7 remove them from the system?

8 A: Yes.

9 Q: You were also aware, were you not, sir, in
10 removing those condensates users would take
11 additional air and blow it through the system to
12 make sure all the condensates were --

13 A: I wasn't aware then but I was aware of the
14 contrary. It's new information.

15 Q: With respect to the use of Pydraul AC did
16 you undertake any analysis yourself as to how
17 customers actually used the air compressors to
18 insure that your product was properly used?

19 A: Would you restate that?

20 Q: Sure. You had product responsibility for
21 Pydraul AC, correct?

22 A: Correct.

23 Q: In discharging your responsibilities didn't
24 you want to understand how the customers were using
25 the air compressors to insure that the Pydraul AC

1 would be used properly?

2 A: In a general sense, yes. We were offering a
3 product for commercial use with recommendations for
4 its use and if a customer chose to buy it and use it
5 for something else we had no way to police that. Of
6 course, nor did we refuse to sell it to a customer
7 if they gave us all the information.

8 Q: The recommendations for its use were
9 contained in the Pydraul AC book?

10 A: That is correct.

11 Q: And if someone wanted to know the sum and
12 substance of Monsanto's recommendations with respect
13 to Pydraul AC they would look at the book?

14 A: Look at the book and if their particular
15 application were not adequately described they would
16 usually contact us and we would get into the kind of
17 correspondence you presented here today.

18 Q: Whether or not people could breath air that
19 was compressed?

20 A: Yes.

21 Q: And Monsanto's view was that people could?

22 A: Under the conditions stated in these memos,
23 yes.

24 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 393
25 was marked for identification)

1 Q: Exhibit 393, sir, is a salesman's call
2 report from Mr. Harry Ditty directed to you,
3 correct?

4 A: His note is directed towards me, yes, that's
5 correct.

6 Q: To the attention of Dick Davis and that's
7 listed in the routing of the check boxes at the top
8 and also in the text of the document?

9 A: Yes.

10 Q: Mr. Ditty was a salesman out of Monsanto's
11 Wilmington, Delaware office?

12 A: That's correct.

13 Q: And it reflects conversations he had with
14 the industrial hygienist at Reynolds Metals Company
15 in Richmond, Virginia, correct?

16 A: I think Mr. McClean was the hygienist, I'm
17 not sure if Mr. Mansur was --

18 Q: Does it not say contacted Mr. Richard
19 Mansur, industrial hygienist?

20 A: Correct. It does.

21 Q: Now, as of -- the date of this is 4/28/65,
22 correct, sir?

23 A: Yes.

24 Q: And production number for the record
25 TNGS 18700. Mr. Ditty writes you, this is toward

1 the middle of the document, "Now that he has
2 developed a standard, and this relates to Pydraul
3 AC, Mr. Mansur is having difficulty in actually
4 measuring an atmosphere to see whether it conforms
5 to this standard. He has reviewed the work which
6 was sponsored by Monsanto and others and found it
7 either to be unsatisfactory or impractical for
8 Reynolds use." Did I read that correctly?

9 A: Yes, you did.

10 Q: Let's stop right there. Were you aware of
11 customers other than Reynolds Company who had
12 determined that the work sponsored by Monsanto was
13 unsatisfactory or impractical for them to use?

14 A: No.

15 Q: Continuing, "Mr. Mansur is now doing some
16 experimental gas chromatography work. Mr. Mansur
17 was quick to point out that setting base standards
18 for the use of fire resistant lubricant is the
19 responsibility of Dr. McClean."

20 Did Monsanto have its own gas chromatograph
21 at this time for which they could do their own
22 experimental work?

23 A: I don't actually know.

24 Q: Was it surprising that a customer would tell
25 you they were going to do their own chromatography?

1 A: No.

2 Q: It was well known in the industry?

3 A: As I said, I don't remember when the gas
4 chromatography became common. We found in an
5 earlier document chromatography existed in 1961 and
6 a customer has a gas chromatograph in 1965, it
7 doesn't surprise me.

8 Q: Let me continue further. "When I asked Mr.
9 Master whether or not Pydraul AC is under active
10 consideration at this time he said that Dr. McClean
11 is rather hesitant to go very far with Pydraul AC
12 due to his own bad experiences with high molecular
13 weight chlorinated hydrocarbons. For himself, I
14 believe that Mr. Mansur is open on whichever
15 material is chosen. He said that any system will
16 have to be watched like a hawk. Mr. Mansur
17 expresses great respect for our hygiene people
18 concerning Pydraul AC but he said any man-made
19 system can go out of wack." Did I read that
20 correctly?

21 A: Yes.

22 Q: Were you aware of any customers who also had
23 bad experiences with high molecular weight
24 chlorinated hydrocarbons?

25 A: I don't know what kind of chlorinated

1 hydrocarbons or what problem he's talking about. I
2 can't really answer that. I would add that my
3 surmise from this is he was talking about
4 chlorinated petroleum oils which were known to have
5 some toxicological problems totally unrelated to
6 chlorinated biphenyls because there's a difference
7 in stability.

8 Q: So your guess in looking at this is this
9 refers to chlorinated petroleum products?

10 A: Yes.

11 Q: Would be more stable or less stable than PCB
12 containing products?

13 A: Less. They would be familiar to the metal
14 industry such as Reynolds.

15 Q: Did you ever meet anyone from Reynolds
16 Metals Company with respect to this issue?

17 A: Not that I recall.

18 Q: Did Reynolds ever purchase Pydraul AC from
19 you?

20 A: I don't recall.

21 Q: Is Exhibit 393 a document you looked at in
22 preparation for your testimony today?

23 A: Yes, it was.

24 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 394
25 was marked for identification)

1 Q: Exhibit 394, sir, is a memorandum from Elmer
2 Wheeler to Mr. Larry Bradford dated July 30, 1965.
3 You received a copy of this document, did you not?

4 A: This indicates one was sent to me. I
5 presume I received it.

6 Q: And the first paragraph references the
7 reference bulletin, which would be a bulletin that
8 Monsanto would publish with respect to its products,
9 is that not correct?

10 A: It appears like that to me. I don't see a
11 reference to what bulletin he's talking about.

12 Q: Mr. Bradford had responsibilities for
13 Pydrauls, did he not?

14 A: I don't remember his assignment in that this
15 memo suggests that indeed he did.

16 Q: The handling and storage, the first
17 paragraph beneath there references Pydraul hydraulic
18 fluids, correct?

19 A: That's correct.

20 Q: So this would be a reference with respect to
21 Pydraul hydraulic fluids?

22 A: It appears to be, yes.

23 Q: The last paragraph from Mr. Wheeler to Mr.
24 Bradford says "Respiratory protection or mechanical
25 exhaust ventilation should be provided if there is

1 repeated and prolonged contact of the fluid with
2 heated surfaces with resulting volatilization or
3 possible decomposition of fluid." Do you see that?

4 A: Yes, I do.

5 Q: What's he referring to, sir?

6 A: Pydraul hydraulic fluids were used in
7 hydraulic equipment where there was a heat source
8 around, thus a fire hazard and typically he would be
9 referring to Pydraul hydraulic fluid leaking onto or
10 spraying onto this hot surface and large quantities
11 evaporating or decomposing into chemicals.

12 Q: So if it was very hot it would midst up?

13 A: Midst up is not the correct term.

14 Q: What does the term volatilization suggest?

15 A: Evaporization.

16 Q: I guess that's what I was using the term
17 midst up to mean. I'm sorry for using the imprecise
18 term. It continues "For short periods such might
19 arise in turning off equipment following the rupture
20 of a hydraulic line or other mechanical failure no
21 such protection is necessary." Was that your
22 opinion, as well, at the time, sir?

23 A: Again, that's, we're talking about medical
24 or hygiene people talking about medical and hygiene
25 matters and I never second guessed them.

1 Q: But you never, you never disputed the fact
2 or their conclusion that someone would not need to
3 have protection?

4 A: For short-term exposure.

5 Q: Or might arise in turning off equipment
6 following the rupture of a hydraulic line?

7 A: I had no reason to disagree with that.

8 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 395
9 was marked for identification)

10 Q: Exhibit 395, sir, production number
11 TGNS 17683 to 17684 relates to a request for
12 information given or made to Monsanto by someone who
13 is seeking information on air quality standards for
14 scuba diving, correct?

15 A: Correct.

16 Q: And there would be compressed air that would
17 be put into a tank that someone would go under water
18 and breath?

19 A: That's my understanding.

20 Q: Okay. The second page of this memorandum,
21 sir, and just so the record is clear this is a
22 memorandum that's in response to a letter you
23 received from, you received from Randall Graham from
24 New York who is a Monsanto employee there, correct?

25 MR. PECK: Objection. Mischaracterization.

1 But you can answer.

2 A: I don't know. It mentions Dale Smith.

3 Q: Well, the reference is your letter of
4 February 16 to Dick Davis, right, that's you?

5 A: Where are you looking?

6 Q: (Indicating) that's you, right?

7 A: That's me.

8 Q: So Mr. Graham would have written you a
9 letter asking you information with respect to the
10 inquiry from this guy in Bermuda?

11 A: Right.

12 Q: Who has a diving school, right?

13 A: Yes.

14 Q: Second page of the memorandum, sir, Mr.
15 Wheeler writes "Getting back to the question of use
16 of Pydraul we feel that the hazard is no greater
17 with this lubricant than with an oil lubricant. We
18 have limited data on one compressor at the Queeny
19 Plant where analysis of samples showed no
20 significant contamination in air lines down-
21 stream from the compressor", that's what Mr. Wheeler
22 wrote then?

23 A: Yes.

24 Q: That's the same report we discussed with
25 respect to the 1961 memorandum you wrote?

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1 A: I would expect it is.

2 Q "Considerable more sampling, Mr. Wheeler
3 writes, would have to be done, however, with many
4 makes of compressors, sizes conditions of wear, et
5 cetera." So that's what Mr. Wheeler wrote there, as
6 well?

7 A: Yes.

8 Q: After you received this memorandum, sir, did
9 you request any additional research be done with
10 respect to the use of Pydraul AC?

11 A: I don't recall.

12 Q: You don't recall?

13 A: No.

14 Q: Now, this is now 1966, this memorandum we're
15 looking at, sir, we looked at a number of exhibits
16 that discussed the potential use of Pydraul AC in
17 air compressors that individuals would breath and
18 you seen those this morning?

19 A: Yes.

20 Q: We discussed the thermal stability of PCB
21 products, you recall that testimony, right?

22 A: Yes. There was some confusion around that
23 in that they were formulated products containing
24 more than PCB's.

25 Q: We discussed the fire resistance?

1 A: Yes.

2 Q: We discussed the fact that if Pydraul AC
3 were released into the water and were not emulsified
4 it would settle on the bottom and stay there, right?

5 A: Yes.

6 Q: We discussed the fact it may cause a danger
7 to fish populations and Monsanto is aware of the
8 possibility as early as 1960 in the documents we
9 looked at, do you recall?

10 A: Whatever the documents said I recall the
11 issue came up asking the toxicity around fish. I
12 have forgotten whether they arrived at a conclusion.

13 Q: But the issue was raised. You recall that as
14 of 1961 the issue was raised with respect to chick
15 edema and whether or not Aroclor 1242 would have any
16 effect on that, correct?

17 A: Yes.

18 Q: Now, in light of that when was the first
19 time you became aware, sir, specifically of the
20 ecological risks that PCB's caused to the
21 environment?

22 A: Again, as I said, I don't recall the exact
23 date. I believe it to be in the late 1960's in
24 which a report came to our attention regarding the
25 ecological significance, more specifically peregrine

1 falcon egg shells were thin for some reason and it
2 was suggested that chlorinated biphenyl, chlorinated
3 biphenyls and they were talking about it earlier,
4 may have been involved. That's our first alert to
5 that.

6 Q: Your personal first alert?

7 A: My personal first alert, true.

8 Q: That was an incident related to birds in the
9 Pacific?

10 A: I don't remember where they were.

11 Q: Irish sea coast?

12 A: I don't remember that.

13 Q: Did you expect that Dr. Kelly would keep you
14 advised of concerns he had relating to PCB's in the
15 environment?

16 A: Any significant things I would think he
17 would inform me.

18 Q: How often would you discuss issues relating
19 to PCB's with Dr. Kelly?

20 A: Very very rare. He was the head of the
21 medical department. There were industrial
22 hygienists with whom I chatted occasionally and in
23 the later years again as we talked about the
24 peregrine falcon issue it was Bill Richard who was
25 the focal point.

1 Q: By that time the medical department or the
2 research department had kind of restructured, is
3 that not correct?

4 A: That I don't remember.

5 Q: Do you recall if Mr. Richard was in charge
6 of research for functional fluids?

7 A: Dr. Richard, yes, he was.

8 Q: Were you made aware of the findings of
9 Jensen and Widmark in Sweden with respect to the
10 persistence of PCB's in the environment?

11 A: I can't be specific to that reference to
12 PCB's in the environment but that was an issue that
13 was brought to our attention that we considered.

14 Q: When you first became aware of the PCB issue
15 in the environment and its persistence in the
16 environment, how did you become aware of, did
17 someone tell you, did you get a memorandum?

18 A: It was a staff meeting in which Dr. Richard
19 informed the other people in the functional fluid
20 business group management there was a potential
21 issue here. We had to follow-up and look into it.
22 It was a meeting.

23 Q: Was a staff meeting held regularly?

24 A: Yes.

25 Q: On a weekly basis?

1 A: Yes.

2 Q: What was your reaction when Dr. Richard made
3 this announcement?

4 A: Significant interest and a desire to follow
5 it with Bill Richard.

6 Q: Let me point a reference here.

7 Did Dr. Kelly ever tell you he accepted the
8 findings of researchers that indicated that PCB's
9 would persist in the environment as early as the
10 middle of 1967?

11 A: I would not have had direct communication
12 with Dr. Kelly on that issue. I remember Bill
13 Richard, whether it was '67 or '68 is not in my
14 memory.

15 Q: Have you discussed any issues related to
16 PCB's with David Wood? Do you know who David Wood
17 is?

18 A: I don't remember that I did. I remember
19 David Wood, I remember him being in Brazil,
20 somewhere in South America, and my dealings with him
21 had to do with things other than PCB's.

22 Q: How about Cumming Paton, did you ever
23 discuss PCB's with Dr. Paton?

24 A: I'll give you a probably there in that for a
25 point in time we had some relationship. I don't

1 know if I reported to him or we had parallel jobs
2 that related to functional fluids. So I would have
3 had conversations with him. I don't remember any
4 particular Aroclor issue.

5 Q: Does it refresh your recollection to suggest
6 that Dr. Paton had product responsibility for
7 plasticizers at about the time you had product
8 responsibility for functional fluids, does that
9 sounds correct to you?

10 A: He was involved with plasticizers at that
11 point in time as I remember.

12 Q: When you became aware of this PCB
13 environmental issue what did you do with respect to
14 the interest that peaked in you, when you became
15 interested in the issue what did you do?

16 A: I stayed in contact with Dr. Richard through
17 the weekly staff meetings or through our frequent
18 contacts working in the same business group. We had
19 a very good relationship so that I felt comfortable
20 talking with him or listening to him about what's
21 going on, what does all this mean, what do we do
22 about it. It was in his hands but with my interest
23 because there was some products I was involved in
24 selling. And I remember it not being terribly long
25 because this must have been near the end of my

1 Pydraul responsibilities.

2 Q: And your Pydraul responsibilities continued
3 until when?

4 A: 1968, '68, '69.

5 Q: But you continued Therminol until at least
6 '72, correct, sir?

7 A: Yes.

8 Q: And I didn't -- did you give up Pydrauls, I
9 don't recall your testimony?

10 A: There was an overlap period. I had Pydrauls
11 and I had Pydrauls plus Therminols and I had
12 Therminol and other things but not Pydrual.

13 Q: If you testified to that then I missed it.
14 When did you give your responsibilities with respect
15 to Pydraul?

16 A: As best I remember it was 1968, maybe '69.

17 Q: So as of '69 and the outside you're no
18 longer involved in the Pydraul area at all?

19 A: That's my remembrance of it, yes.

20 Q: When you had kept in touch with Dr. Richard
21 on this issue did he tell you when he first learned
22 of the PCB environmental problem?

23 A: Again it goes back to that staff meeting and
24 I'm not sure of the date. I'm guessing it would be
25 1968 when he first informed me and all others about

1 the issue. I think he just received that
2 information.

3 Q: And you're able to fix at least 1968 because
4 that's the time you think you had last
5 responsibility for the Pydrauls?

6 MR. PECK: I object as far as him being able
7 to fix the date. My understanding he was able to
8 fix it with this staff meeting but he just testified
9 he was guessing as to the date of that meeting.

10 Q: Can you answer the question?

11 A: Restate the question.

12 MR. ROEDER: Can you repeat it?

13 (The reporter read the record as requested)

14 A: No, the dates are coming out about the
15 same. I remember the staff meeting. I'm guessing
16 at the 1968. I am aware that the issue surfaced
17 shortly before I left Pydraul responsibility but I
18 can't pull the two together absolutely.

19 Q: Okay. When you got into the Therminol area
20 as you -- who was your successor in the Pydraul
21 area?

22 A: That's what I'm trying to remember. I don't
23 remember. I think I stated early it might have been
24 Rollie Garcia but in some document here suggested it
25 was Larry Bradford but I don't remember which it

1 was.

2 Q: Okay. Did Mr. Bradford at some point take
3 the responsibility that you had, I'm not saying he
4 was your immediate successor, I'm wondering who had
5 that product responsibility after you had it?

6 A: My memory is Rollie Garcia. It sounds like,
7 you know, as far as Larry Bradford is concerned I
8 should know him but I don't. I was probably gone
9 from Pydraul when he was there.

10 Q: Well, let's mark this as the next exhibit.

11 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 396
12 was marked for identification)

13 Q: Exhibit 396 is a memorandum from Howard
14 Bergen to Dr. Anagnostopoulos. Who was Dr.
15 Anagnostopoulos?

16 A: You mean what was his position at this
17 time?

18 Q: Exactly.

19 A: I remember him as a director level who came
20 from research but at one time was involved at the
21 director level over the fluids business. I can't be
22 precise about his title.

23 Q: All right. Howard Bergen as of April 1968
24 was he in charge of the organic division?

25 A: No, functional fluids business as I recall.

1 Q: Okay. Mr. Menkler was in charge of the
2 organic fluids?

3 A: That sounds correct.

4 Q: And later on Mr. Mason was the assistant to
5 Mr. Menkler?

6 A: That I don't remember.

7 Q: In any event Mr. Bergen was directly or
8 indirectly your boss, correct?

9 A: Correct.

10 Q: You are carboned on that document and you
11 received it, didn't you?

12 A: I'm carboned on it and I assume I received
13 it. I don't remember the document.

14 Q: The document reflects that the plants are
15 running at approximately 99 percent of capacity as
16 of April 5th, 1968. The sales were good as of that
17 date, were they not?

18 A: I don't mean to be facetious. Either the
19 production was small or the sales were great. But
20 they were at 99 percent capacity.

21 Q: Certainly no one you knew of was objecting
22 to the large or the efficient use of the plants at
23 99 percent capacity, correct?

24 A: No, that would be desirable.

25 Q: Did you have an understanding or belief as

1 of April 1968 that the plants were, in fact, running
2 at capacity and the business was profitable?

3 A: I don't remember this issue that we were at
4 99 percent capacity even though I am indicated as
5 receiving a copy. You mentioned profitability. I
6 don't draw that conclusion from this. I have no
7 reason to dispute but I don't draw that conclusion.

8 Q: In connection with that I'll show you a
9 document that we've already marked. It's already
10 been marked in another deposition. I think it's
11 exhibit, earlier marked, Exhibit 10 or something
12 like that. If you want me to mark this again I
13 will.

14 It is 1970 total marketing plan, you would
15 have received a copy of, on the second page?

16 A: Yes.

17 Q: Now, again this goes to the, just at issue
18 with respect to the profits, if you look, sir, on
19 page 1 of the document, production number TRAN 3763,
20 talks about the sales, gross profit and gross profit
21 as a percentage of the sales for the overall
22 business worldwide, 49.6 percent gross profit as of
23 1964 and was budgeted as of 1968 shows a gross
24 profit of 45 percent, do you see that?

25 A: Yes.

1 Q: Does this refresh your recollection as to
2 its profitability?

3 A: Does it refresh my memory? I don't remember
4 what these numbers were but I'm seeing them here and
5 I don't dispute them, of course.

6 Q: And there's a budget as of 1970 of 41.3
7 percent of gross profit, do you see that as well?

8 A: Yes.

9 Q: In the memorandum from Mr. Bergen to Dr.
10 Anagnostopoulos, did I say that correctly?

11 A: You did.

12 Q: There is attention to you and Paul Benignus
13 on the second page to get samples of transformer
14 Aroclor that General Electric used to determine
15 whether there were usable or not.

16 MR. PECK: Point of clarification. You are
17 using these documents that show the profitability of
18 the fluids business which is not all chlorinated
19 biphenyls. That's a mixed number.

20 Q: Tell you what, go to the next page, sir.
21 This is gives an indication of the budget. If you
22 want we can separate out the profitability with
23 respect to each of the individual lines. I was
24 trying to refresh your recollection as to its
25 profitability. For example, as of 19, as

1 of 1968 --

2 MR. PECK: What page?

3 MR. ROEDER: Page 38.

4 Q: Industrial hydraulics, that relates to 1968
5 the products that you have responsibility for, does
6 it not, sir?

7 A: Yes.

8 Q: Okay. And there you're showing a
9 profitability or gross profit as a percentage of
10 sales of 43.1 percent?

11 A: That's correct.

12 Q: Does that refresh your recollection with
13 respect to profit with respect to those?

14 A: Same sort of thing. I have forgotten what
15 those were.

16 Q: So your Pydraul line was relatively
17 profitable at that time as well?

18 A: I had a gross profit level, that's correct.

19 Q: Now, as of April 1968, sir, were you
20 concerned about the potential effect of PCB's
21 continued business, Pydrauls?

22 MR. PECK: Objection as to the form.

23 MR. ROEDER: Sure. Let me restate it.

24 Q: Were you concerned that the PCB
25 environmental issue could eat into the gross profits

1 Monsanto would make on the sale of its products?

2 A: First of all, the date remains fuzzy when I
3 first learned about the ecological issue. I think
4 it was 1968. Was it April 1968 I have no idea.
5 When I learned that there was an ecological issue
6 involved with chlorinated biphenyls my reaction was
7 to find solutions to the problem rather than to look
8 at, you know, did it mean we were going to lose
9 profits.

10 For example, in the heat transfer business
11 we had various chemistries of fluid and whether or
12 not PCB's were in the line didn't foretell whether
13 or not we would have a continued product line or be
14 profitable. To some extent the same would be true
15 for Pydrauls but that's more than you asked, I'm
16 sorry. There was concern but -- period.

17 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 397
18 was marked for identification)

19 Q: Exhibit 397, sir, is a memorandum from Dr.
20 Richard to you dated May 20th, 1968. Production
21 number TRAN 57590 it says "We now have FDA inquiry
22 for samples of Aroclor, presumably to look for ppm,
23 parts per million, toxicity, and on residues in
24 wildlife." Next sentence "Are we preparing
25 ourselves and customers to minimize or prevent

1 process, stream and air pollution?" W. R. Richard,
2 typed underneath. That's a memorandum you received
3 May 20, 1968?

4 A: Yes.

5 Q: Does this refresh your recollection you
6 learned about the PCB environmental pollution
7 problem no later than May 20, 1968?

8 A: I would say that I was then aware it was an
9 issue. It helps to set the date.

10 Q: Were you preparing yourselves and your
11 customers to minimize or prevent process stream and
12 air pollution as it relates to PCB's on May 20th,
13 1968?

14 A: Not yet but we apparently just learned there
15 was an ecological issue to be considered.

16 Q: Would it surprise you to know that Monsanto
17 was aware of this ecological issue for the later
18 part of 1966?

19 A: Again I'm not sure of the date of that
20 meeting when I first learned about it. If I learned
21 about it two years later I might be surprised. If
22 that was 1966 when the meeting occurred then it's no
23 surprise. I don't have the information that you're
24 referring to.

25 Q: Well, you certainly didn't take two years to

1 respond to the information you learned about,
2 correct, sir, or year and a half?

3 A: That's correct.

4 Q: Had anyone told you prior to today that
5 Monsanto was aware of the research relating to the
6 PCB environmental problem as early as 1966?

7 A: Again, I'm still fuzzy on the date I learned
8 about it. I'm guessing it to be '68. And your
9 question again was?

10 MR. ROEDER: Could you read it back, Miss
11 Court Reporter?

12 (The reporter read the record as requested)

13 A: I think my response was again I can't fix
14 that date at the time that I first knew it but we're
15 believing it to be 1968 and then my next thought is
16 what research, is it an obscure and questionable
17 piece of research with someone with no credentials
18 or substantial research we should have been aware
19 of.

20 Q: First of all, could you answer my question?

21 MR. PECK: Objection. I think he has.

22 MR. ROEDER: I'll move to strike it.

23 MR. PECK: You can move to strike it if you
24 consider it nonresponsive but I think the witness
25 has answered your question.

1 MR. ROEDER: I don't think so. The record
2 will show what the record will show and I'll make
3 the motion.

4 MR. PECK: If you want to ask it again.

5 MR. ROEDER: Can you read the question back,
6 Miss Court Reporter?

7 (The reporter read the record as requested)

8 MR. ROEDER: Can you answer my question?

9 MR. PECK: I'll object again. The question
10 has been asked and answered.

11 Q: It's a simple question. Can you answer?

12 A: I got to answer the same way. I don't know
13 exactly the date that I first learned of the
14 ecological issue. We're believing it to be 1968 but
15 I'm not positive of that.

16 Q: I want to show you this document which is
17 Plaintiff's 75. It is a memorandum to G. R.
18 Buchanan, is that your boss?

19 A: In 1967? Maybe.

20 Q: Take a moment to review that document, sir.

21 MR. PECK: Just for the record I object.
22 This isn't a document to be used for this witness
23 but that's just a technical objection between the
24 attorneys.

25 A: So far what I've seen is insecticide use but

1 I'll read on. Okay.

2 Q: Sir, Exhibit 75 is a document to Mr. G. R.
3 Buchanan in St. Louis signed by David Wood dated the
4 26th of January, 1967. In reviewing that document
5 does it refresh your recollection that the
6 identification and nature with respect to
7 polychlorinated biphenyls that would persist was
8 made as early as 1967?

9 A: I have not seen this document before,
10 doesn't refer to anything, any products that I was
11 working on directly. I was not aware of this.

12 Q: Okay. Mr. Buchanan never discussed it with
13 you?

14 A: To my memory, no.

15 Q: As of the 26th of January 1967 Mr. Buchanan
16 was your superior?

17 A: As I remember that date he was.

18 Q: Did you ever discuss with Mr. Buchanan
19 issues related to the PCB environmental problems?

20 A: I don't remember such conversations.
21 Doesn't mean I did or didn't. I just don't recall
22 discussing it. I remember discussing it with Bill
23 Richard.

24 Q: Let me show you what's been marked as
25 Plaintiff's Exhibit 282.

1 MR. PECK: This wasn't designated.

2 MR. ROEDER: I did not designate these. If
3 you want to make your objection I'll tell you why.
4 I indicated in my letter I may use documents that
5 were previously marked and I tried to as best I
6 could draw your attention to the documents I
7 expected to use but I was surprised by the witness'
8 testimony and I want to see if this refreshes his
9 recollection as to certain matters.

10 MR. PECK: I'll allow you a couple of these
11 but I know this has been a continuing problem with
12 respect to the depositions of Monsanto witnesses
13 being surprised by the presentation of documents
14 which could have been designated ahead of time but
15 had not been and it's a problem to my understanding
16 that's not occurring in the deposition of Tennessee
17 Gas witnesses and I'll allow you to do it with a
18 couple of documents but beyond that we'll just have
19 to see.

20 MR. ROEDER: I disagree with the
21 characterization. As I understand it Monsanto's
22 designations of Tennessee Gas witnesses have
23 amounted to hundreds and hundreds of documents. The
24 specific designations for this witness are minor but
25 I also reserve the right to use additionally marked

1 exhibits. I went to the extent last time I was here
2 in St. Louis of producing yet another full set of
3 our exhibits for the Husch and Eppenberger firm
4 because they indicated they didn't have copies
5 because your firm took them back to North Carolina.
6 So those binders you see on the table are additional
7 copies of all the exhibits I had marked and Mr. Duff
8 had marked that we produced for Monsanto's
9 convenience. In any event, I'm surprised by the
10 witness' testimony.

11 MR. PECK: I'm stating my objection pursuant
12 to the case management and just asking that those
13 procedures be followed with respect to the
14 deposition of this witness and other Monsanto
15 witnesses and I understand your point and I'll allow
16 you some leeway with some documents. If it goes
17 beyond that I'll have to object.

18 MR. ROEDER: We'll take it a step at a time.

19 MR. PECK: I don't consider your position to
20 allow you to have leeway to use all, were into 300
21 some exhibits with this witness without going back
22 and allowing him to review.

23 MR. ROEDER: Oh, sure.

24 MR. PECK: I'm not talking about reviewing
25 them as you set them in front of him but I don't

1 think it's fair to say and I reserve the right to
2 use all other exhibits designated and expect a
3 witness who has a very limited involvement to have
4 to review 300 some exhibits in preparation for his
5 testimony. That's my point.

6 MR. ROEDER: I understand it and I have
7 attempted to identify those documents.

8 MR. PECK: I agree this is only the second
9 one.

10 MR. ROEDER: Right.

11 Q: Exhibit 282, sir, is a memorandum to Mr.
12 David Wood from R. Emmet Kelly, M.D. who is in
13 charge of the medical department, correct?

14 A: Correct.

15 Q: Dated February 10, 1967 and Mr. Buchanan
16 received a copy of this memorandum as well, correct?

17 A: Correct.

18 Q: In this document Dr. Kelly writes "We are
19 very worried about what is liable to happen in the
20 states when the various technical and lay news media
21 pick up the subject. This is especially critical at
22 this time because air pollution is getting a
23 tremendous amount of publicity in the United
24 States." I read that correctly, right?

25 A: Yes.

1 Q: Is that consistent with your recollection as
2 to Monsanto's own view as to pollution and what
3 might happen if indications of environmental
4 pollution were discussed concerning its own
5 products?

6 A: With my background at Monsanto I don't
7 interpret that the same way you did, particularly as
8 I read the rest of the document. The medical
9 director is saying he wants to get more information
10 who did this work, do we have the entire report, et
11 cetera, et cetera. So what I see is a very logical,
12 responsible and technical response. Let's get the
13 facts and analyze them and until that time let's not
14 let a press motivated by other purposes run amuck
15 with this. Let's get the facts. I don't see this
16 covering up anything which is what I see as your
17 inference. I see this as a very logical approach.

18 Q: My question is my question, sir.

19 Dr. Kelly indicates "The consensus in St.
20 Louis is that while Monsanto would like to keep in
21 the background on this problem we don't see how
22 we'll be able to in the United States." Do you see
23 that?

24 MR. PECK: Object to the form of the question
25 as to what Dr. Kelly indicates as to whether the

1 document states this. That is the nature of my
2 objection but go ahead.

3 Q: That's what Dr. Kelly wrote in the
4 memorandum, correct?

5 A: Let me read it. That's what it says.

6 Q: Okay. Were you part of that consensus?

7 A: You're asking me what my feeling would have
8 been 20 years ago.

9 Q: No, I'm showing you this document and seeing
10 if it refreshes your recollection whether or not you
11 were consulted?

12 A: No, I was not consulted.

13 Q: So Mr. Buchanan who is your superior didn't
14 ask for your opinions with respect to this issue?

15 A: As best I can recall he did not.

16 Q: Now, continuing in this exhibit "We feel
17 that our customers, especially NCR, may ask us for
18 some sort of data concerning the safety of these
19 residues in humans." That's what it says, correct,
20 sir?

21 A: Yes.

22 Q: "This obviously might be opening the door to
23 an extensive and quite expensive
24 toxicological/pharmacological investigation." That's
25 what it says, as well?

1 A: It says that.

2 Q: Did you have any discussions with Dr. Kelly
3 or anyone else at Monsanto as to what the PCB
4 environmental pollution problem or knowledge of it
5 would lead to?

6 A: First of all, the NCR application was not an
7 fluid application so I had nothing to do with that.
8 And your question again was?

9 MR. ROEDER: Can you read it back, Miss Court
10 Reporter?

11 (The reporter read the record as requested)

12 Q: Let me rephrase the question.

13 A: I'm having trouble.

14 Q: We had discussed earlier in your testimony,
15 sir, whether Monsanto could have done different
16 tests, for example, with respect to fish, do you
17 recall that?

18 A: Yes.

19 Q: And with respect to other potential uses,
20 for example, on compressors in the Queeny Plant and
21 things of that nature, do you recall that testimony?

22 A: Yes.

23 Q: Were you concerned yourself once you first
24 learned of the PCB environmental problem that the
25 cost would be expensive in analyzing this issue?

1 A: No.

2 Q: That was not an issue you were involved
3 yourself in?

4 A: The cost -- yeah, that's correct.

5 Q: The last document I expect to show you not
6 previously designated is Exhibit 200. It is a
7 letter from Rising and Strand to David Wood dated
8 November 28, 1966 and I will represent to you that
9 Mr. Mason has testified Rising and Strand was the
10 agent for Monsanto in Sweden. Are you familiar with
11 them?

12 A: The name is familiar.

13 Q: As you look at it it refreshes your
14 recollection as to who they were?

15 A: Yes.

16 Q: Just examine that document, sir, and see if
17 that refreshes your recollection anyone ever told
18 you Monsanto was aware of this PCB environmental
19 problem as early as 1966?

20 MR. PECK: For the same reason as
21 specifically stated I make my objection to the case
22 management use of undesignated documents but we'll
23 permit it for the use of refreshing his recollection
24 on this isolated point.

25 A: Okay.

1 Q: Does that refresh your recollection, sir?

2 A: Of what?

3 MR. ROEDER: Could you read back the
4 question?

5 (The reporter read the record as requested)

6 A: Same kind of answer. First I was aware of
7 the ecological issue was in a meeting Bill Richard
8 presented it, that date is still fuzzy. We're
9 thinking it was 1968 but I can't swear to it.

10 Q: When Mr. Richard presented that issue did he
11 distribute any handouts?

12 A: No, he got up and said I got something to
13 say.

14 Q: How was it presented as best you can recall?

15 A: Each person participating in the staff
16 meeting had an opportunity to talk about their area
17 and when Dr. Richard had his turn to speak about the
18 research area he informed the business group
19 managers that there was an issue arising that we
20 needed to look at and it was the thinning of
21 peregrine falcon shells. Somewhere down the line I
22 have heard of things that sound familiar in that
23 Sweden report about fish and so forth. Again dates
24 are fuzzy when I heard it.

25 Q: Just referring back to Exhibit 396 the

1 Aroclor delayed orders allocation from Mr. Bergen to
2 Dr. Anagnostopoulos?

3 A: Yes.

4 Q: Turn to the last page of the document. Mr.
5 Bergen signs it and Mr. Waychoff signs it, as well,
6 correct?

7 A: Yes.

8 Q: Who was Mr. Waychoff at that time?

9 A: Walt Waychoff. I want to say he was
10 development director but I don't remember. I'm not
11 sure.

12 Q: Let's go to the document. Mr. Bergen writes
13 "There is no need to point out the urgency of the
14 situation because it is most urgent. We are already
15 delaying some customers and causing them to shut
16 down their production. Our salesmen are spending a
17 lot of time placating customers when they could be
18 out doing more productive selling." Do you see that?

19 A: Yes.

20 Q: "It is arousing the customer's wrath and
21 there is nothing we need more than for them to get
22 irritated at us and put a second source in this
23 business." Did I read that correctly?

24 A: Yes.

25 Q: That refers to the fact that Monsanto was

1 the only PCB source in the United States?

2 A: The only PCB producer in the United States.

3 Q: So at the time that you're learning of the
4 environmental pollution problem Monsanto is running
5 flat out and producing the PCB's to fill existing
6 orders, correct?

7 A: That appears to be right.

8 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 398
9 was marked for identification).

10 Q: Exhibit 398, sir, is a memorandum from you
11 to Dr. Richard dated May 23rd, 1968?

12 A: Yes.

13 Q: Three days after Dr. Richard wrote you the
14 exhibit, the memorandum which is Exhibit 397,
15 correct?

16 A: Correct.

17 Q: Your exhibit, your memorandum of May 23rd,
18 '68 is in response to Dr. Richard's memo to you,
19 isn't it?

20 A: It appears to be.

21 Q: You write "The major entry of Aroclor in the
22 sewers and streams from industrial fluids
23 applications is in industrial hydraulics." Was that
24 true when you wrote it?

25 A: Yes.

1 Q "We are, you underlined are, prepared to
2 design, install and start up effective fluid
3 recovery systems which remove Pydraul from plant
4 effluent." Was that true when you wrote it?

5 MR. PECK: Object to the form of the question
6 with respect to the question who wrote it, who
7 underlined the word are. I think the document, the
8 document on its face is vague whether or not that is
9 handwritten underlining, typed underlying, whether
10 it was underlined by the person who received this
11 copy. There could be any number of explanations how
12 that came to be underlined. It assumes facts not in
13 evidence.

14 Q: Do you know if you underlined it, sir?

15 A: I have no recollection.

16 Q: Let me show you a different version of that
17 same document and maybe we'll just mark this as
18 398-A.

19 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 398-A
20 was marked for identification)

21 Q: The objection raised by your attorney is
22 that he doesn't know if you did the underlining and
23 you don't know if you did the underlining?

24 A: I have no remembrance.

25 MR. PECK: My objection was to the form of

1 the question assuming he underlined it.

2 Q: Do you have any reason to dispute the fact
3 that you underlined the word are?

4 MR. PECK: Objection to the form of the
5 question in light of his testimony. He just said he
6 doesn't know whether he underlined it or not.

7 MR. ROEDER: You can answer the question.

8 Q: Dr. Richard's question was are we preparing
9 ourselves and my answer is we are prepared and I
10 don't myself see a reason to underline the word or
11 not underline the word. It's got the same meaning.
12 Are we preparing, the answer we are prepared to
13 design and install the systems. So I don't know
14 whether I underlined it or not but I can't see a
15 great significance.

16 Q: All right. Plaintiff's Exhibit 398-A bears
17 production number TNGS 11853 and the word "are" is
18 underlined in that copy of the document as well, is
19 that not correct, sir?

20 A: Yes.

21 MR. PECK: For the record it bear other
22 handwritten notes as Exhibit 398.

23 MR. ROEDER: I'll concede that. It's two
24 copies of a document that were produced to us by
25 Monsanto of the same memo.

1 Q: Was that statement true when you wrote it?

2 A: Yes, it was.

3 Q: You write "We have demonstrated this
4 capability thru Findett." Who are they?

5 A: Findett is a small company which did some
6 Pydraul reclamation for customers and later some
7 reclamation of other Monsanto fluids.

8 Q: Was this statement true when you wrote it?

9 A: We are prepared to design and install?

10 Q: No, we have demonstrated this capability
11 thru Findett?

12 A: It's my recollection that Findett was
13 reclaiming Pydraul fluids for some customers who
14 then asked them to design a system to help catch it
15 in the plant and reclaim it.

16 Q: So the answer is the statement was true?

17 A: The statement is true.

18 Q "A few customers use the system as an
19 economic measure." These are Pydraul customers?

20 A: Yes.

21 Q: You continue to write "If and when more
22 customers are pressed to keep Pydraul out of the
23 streams due to government legislation we are
24 prepared to act by referring them to Findett or
25 serving as prime contractor, subcontracting to

1 Findett." That's what you wrote?

2 A: That's what I wrote.

3 Q: Is that the extent of the preparations that
4 Monsanto had done to minimize customers -- strike
5 that.

6 Is that the extent that Monsanto had done as
7 of this date, sir, to prepare itself and its
8 customers to minimize or prevent process stream and
9 air pollution with respect to PCB's?

10 A: That's a broad question. I have to answer,
11 no, we saw it in the hydraulic systems. The
12 customers had proper seals so their equipment didn't
13 leak that much. We did things to minimize losses of
14 fluids really for economic purposes at the time
15 because the ecological issue had not come to my
16 attention. This particular thing had to do with
17 economics and it had to do with Findett and our
18 mutual customer, it didn't come from Monsanto so
19 your question is hard to answer, is this all we did
20 to prevent losses of fluids for ecological issues.
21 No, it's part of what we did to prevent fluid losses
22 and it was presented as an economic rather than
23 ecological issue.

24 Q: Why wait until the time when customers were
25 pressured to keep Pydraul out of the streams due to

1 governmental legislation?

2 MR. PECK: Objection to the form of the
3 question.

4 MR. ROEDER: In light of the objection I'll
5 rephrase the question.

6 Q: Your memorandum says if and when more
7 customers are pressed to keep Pydraul out of the
8 streams due to government legislation you're
9 prepared to act by referring them to Findett or
10 serving as prime contractor, subcontracting to
11 Findett. My question is, in light of your testimony
12 why wait until customers are pressed to keep Pydraul
13 out of streams due to government legislation?

14 A: It's a matter of filling a need. The
15 customer sees no need, has no need, we're not going
16 to press things on that they don't want. The
17 economic loss is their loss and they balance the
18 recovery costs against the replacement fluid loss.
19 As far as the ecological issue I state again it was
20 just surfacing as far as I know at this time.

21 Q: Monsanto could have quickly referred the
22 customers to Findett or otherwise made the customers
23 aware of the ecological issue at this time?

24 A: This is referring to an economic issue up to
25 the date of this memo.

1 Q: The ecological issue is referenced and
2 introduced to you directly in the May 20th, 1968
3 memorandum, right?

4 MR. PECK: Objection. That mischaracterizes
5 the previous testimony.

6 MR. ROEDER: Let me rephrase in light of the
7 objection.

8 Q: Dr. Richard's memorandum to you addresses
9 itself to the ecological issues, does it not?

10 A: Yes, it does.

11 Q: Okay. And you told Dr. Richard you were
12 prepared to design, install and start effective
13 fluid recovery systems that would remove Pydraul
14 from plant effluent three days later, right?

15 A: Yes.

16 Q: Why not let the customers know then?

17 MR. PECK: Objection. It mischaracterizes his
18 testimony.

19 Q: I mean for ecological reasons, why not tell
20 the customers then?

21 A: I guess we weren't assured yet there was an
22 ecological issue. I was not -- the memo says that
23 the FDA wants to look for Aroclor in wildlife. That
24 to me is not an indication that one should all of a
25 sudden tell customers something they need to do.

1 The FDA requested a sample, they didn't say, hey,
2 this is an ecological issue here.

3 Q: Well, at the point when Monsanto's plants
4 are running flat out, you're selling a product which
5 is profitable, you would agree with me at this
6 point, right, as of 1968 your plant is running full
7 out?

8 A: Yes.

9 Q: April of '68?

10 A: Yes.

11 Q: You're producing a product greater than 40
12 percent gross profit margin, correct?

13 A: That's correct.

14 Q: And you're now aware of an environmental
15 pollution problem?

16 A: I don't agree with that. I'm aware of a
17 potential problem that's being investigated.

18 Q: If Monsanto had accepted the research of the
19 Jensen and Widmark as early as the middle of 1967
20 there would be no reason to wait to let them know
21 this issue, would there, sir?

22 MR. PECK: Objection to the form of the
23 question. It's hypothetical. Let's leave it at
24 that.

25 A: From the documents you just showed me there

1 was a piece of research work done which needed to be
2 investigated, duplicated, needed to be understood
3 for, before a lot of, involvement of a lot of
4 customers, until -- somebody did a piece of research
5 work, that's not the end of it. You've got to
6 investigate the research work, duplicate it before
7 it's accepted. That's standard scientific
8 procedure. You've got to understand, is it PCB,
9 where is it coming from, what should we do about
10 it. Then you act in a responsible way. This is way
11 too early from my understanding.

12 Q: You had always determined or relied, sir,
13 did you not, on the opinions of the medical
14 department as they related to PCB's and its toxicity
15 up until this point?

16 A: Yes.

17 Q: Would there be any reason why you would not
18 reply upon Dr. Kelly's own opinion with respect to
19 PCB's at this point?

20 MR. PECK: Objection to the form the
21 question. It infers evidence that's not part of his
22 reference. He's given no indication he did not rely
23 upon or disagree with Dr. Kelly.

24 MR. ROEDER: I'll find a document. Let me
25 take a few minutes break.

1 (Short Recess)

2 Q: During the break, sir, we got a copy of the
3 testimony Dr. Kelly gave in the Trans-Western case.

4 A: What is the Trans-Western case?

5 Q: That's another lawsuit against Monsanto
6 Company.

7 A: Oh.

8 Q: And in this testimony, in light of the
9 objection that Mr. Peck raised, Dr. Kelly was asked
10 these questions and maybe I can show this to the
11 witness or I can read it into the record but since
12 it's not part of this record, Dr. Kelly's testimony,
13 and Dr. Kelly has passed on, correct?

14 A: I don't know.

15 Q: All we got is what he said about this
16 earlier. He was asked the question,

17 Q. Did there come a time when you personally
18 accepted as accurate or valid the work done by
19 Jensen?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And when did you so accept it?

22 A. I think the middle of 1967.

23 Let me show that to you.

24 MR. PECK: That's okay. I've seen it
25 before.

1 Q: In light of that would there be any reason
2 not to accept Dr. Kelly's own opinion you had at
3 Monsanto when you were working there in 1968 on this
4 issue?

5 MR. PECK: I object to the question on the
6 grounds I think it's inappropriate as phrased to ask
7 a witness to either agree or disagree with an
8 isolated statement taken from a multi day deposition
9 of a witness in their 80's which, when there's other
10 statements of Dr. Kelly on the same issue both in
11 documents from the time period involved and also
12 from other sworn testimony. I'm just objecting to
13 the form that it's inappropriate. I think you can
14 ask him and show him the document and say does this
15 transcript say that and he can say yes or no but I
16 think the question as phrased is inappropriate.

17 MR. ROEDER: I'll show the witness the
18 document.

19 Q: In light of Mr. Peck's objection I'll show
20 you Plaintiff's Exhibit 340 which is a selection
21 from the deposition of R. Emmet Kelly, May 1, 1992.
22 And the lines I was referring to, sir, start on page
23 243, line 22 and go to the carry-over page. Take a
24 moment to review that and see whether or not it was
25 properly described?

1 MR. PECK: And you're going to ask him
2 whether the transcript says what it says?

3 MR. ROEDER: The transcript says what it says
4 and he can confirm that.

5 MR. PECK: This is an exhibit in Tennessee
6 Gas?

7 MR. ROEDER: It is.

8 A: To me the dates are still kind of fuzzy.
9 Oh, I see the end of '66 or '67.

10 MR. PECK: Is there a question pending?

11 MR. ROEDER: First of all, he's going to
12 determine if I read it correctly, the lines I
13 pointed the witness to.

14 A: Okay. I have taken a look at it.

15 Q: First of all, I accurately read what Dr.
16 Kelly as transcribed testified to in that
17 deposition, is that correct?

18 A: The part you read you read correctly.

19 Q: Now, before we took the break I wanted to be
20 clear, I'm not sure we got this in the record, you
21 had previously always accepted as true the medical
22 department's determination on issues relating to
23 PCB's?

24 A: Correct.

25 Q: Would there be any reason that you know of

1 as of 1968 when you learned about the PCB
2 environmental issue not to accept Dr. Kelly's own
3 personal view?

4 MR. PECK: Objection to the form of that
5 question because it I think might be vague to the
6 witness to imply that it was the view of Dr. Kelly
7 in 1968 when, in fact, the question that's being
8 asked is actually as to a statement of Dr. Kelly in
9 1992. Just so there's no misunderstanding there.

10 Q: So the reference is clear, sir, you
11 testified that you thought that it was premature,
12 needed more testing done, couldn't talk to the
13 customers about this, so the question is, if your
14 own medical director had accepted these findings as
15 true why wouldn't you let your customers know?

16 MR. PECK: I'll object again because the
17 question implies Monsanto's medical director had
18 accepted these facts as true in 1968 when, in fact,
19 the only statement we have in this record through
20 Exhibit 340 is the recollection of Dr. Kelly in
21 1992.

22 MR. ROEDER: So the record is clear we have
23 the admission of Dr. Kelly that he accepted it in
24 1967.

25 MR. PECK: As recalled in 1992.

1 A: Throughout Dr. Kelly's statement here the
2 dates keep kind of jumping around. I'm trying to
3 remember the specific question. Did I accept the
4 medical department's recommendations on Aroclor?
5 Yes, I did.

6 Q: And if the medical department had accepted
7 the analysis of the PCB environmental pollution
8 problem as early as the middle of 1967 before you
9 recall being made aware of it would there be any
10 reason to not let your customers know?

11 MR. PECK: I object again as implying
12 evidence that's not in this record, that the medical
13 department had accepted in 1967 this issue. That is
14 not in the evidence of record of this case. What we
15 have through Exhibit 340 is Dr. Kelly's recollection
16 as to when he accepted it. I think it's an
17 important issue.

18 Q: In light of the objection I'll amend the
19 question to say if your medical director had
20 accepted it and you always relied upon Dr. Kelly's
21 judgment, correct?

22 MR. PECK: I'll object again for the same
23 reason, that implication is the medical director
24 accepted it in 1968 when that fact isn't in evidence
25 or '67 or any time in that time period rather than

1 1992, the recollection of a gentleman in his early
2 80's.

3 MR. ROEDER: I admire your persistence in
4 attempting to coach the witness.

5 MR. PECK: I'm not trying to coach him.

6 MR. ROEDER: You've only made three
7 objections, maybe more, but under the Kentucky rules
8 you can simply state the basis for the objection
9 once and no more. You're gone well beyond that. I
10 will object to that.

11 Q: Can you answer my question, sir?

12 A: I've got to say not really. I recall a
13 major effort at the time it was accepted that there
14 was an ecological problem. There was a major effort
15 to inform customers of various fluid products
16 containing chlorinated biphenyls, there was an
17 issue, and we would help them resolve that issue.
18 That occurred after I left the Pydraul and, in fact,
19 Therminol fluid part of the program where, for
20 example, David Wood was in charge of the heat
21 transfer fluid chlorinated biphenyl system
22 conversion. So our customers were informed, action
23 was taken at a time that I was already out of the
24 fluids program, per se, and was working on
25 acquisition studies and other things. So you seem

1 to be inferring that there was information that I
2 didn't act on and I don't think that's accurate.

3 Q: I'm not suggesting that. What I'm saying is
4 that if Dr. Kelly who is the medical director
5 accepted the research relating to the environmental
6 pollution problem by Jensen as true almost a year
7 before you learned about it and you learned about
8 it, your best recollection is about May of 1968,
9 what reason would there be not to at least alert
10 your customers of the potential problem?

11 MR. PECK: I object again on the same basis
12 just so the record will be consistent that there's
13 implication of evidence not in the record here that
14 Dr. Kelly or the medical director or Monsanto had
15 accepted this issue in 1967.

16 Q: Can you answer the question?

17 A: I got to agree, the dates are very fuzzy. I
18 do remember Monsanto being applauded for taking a
19 very responsible position when an ecological problem
20 was confirmed and that occurred after I left the
21 fluid program. Exactly when Dr. Kelly accepted some
22 Swedish preliminary work that had not yet been
23 confirmed, I can't attest to that date. I know it
24 was going on here, there was some recovery work done
25 for economic not ecological reasons because

1 ecological reasons were not known to be an issue as
2 far as I can see in May of 1968. So I've got to say
3 I don't know that Dr. Kelly knew that there was a
4 problem in mid 1967. I have no way of knowing
5 that.

6 MR. ROEDER: Can you just read back my
7 question, Miss Court Reporter.

8 (The reporter read the record as requested).

9 MR. ROEDER: I move to strike your previous
10 answer. It contained volunteered information. Can
11 you respond to my question?

12 MR. PECK: Objection. He has answered the
13 question several times.

14 MR. ROEDER: Not yet.

15 A: The question makes suppositions and says
16 answer that and I can't answer on suppositions. I'm
17 saying as soon as -- I was out of the Pydraul
18 program at the time the action was taken. I was out
19 of the Pydraul program at the time. I am aware
20 there was a confirmed issue to alert customers to.
21 Now we're, we're discussing if this happened and if
22 that happened would there be a reason not to, not to
23 take action. And I guess that's almost
24 unanswerable. I don't think the dates are correct.

25 Q: You don't dispute what Dr. Kelly said there,

1 do you?

2 A: Of course I do. He's fuzzy about the dates.
3 There was research done in 1966, which after other
4 work was done and confirmed he accepted. And he
5 thinks some 20 some odd years later that might have
6 been the middle of 1967. I have no way of knowing.
7 I'm not Dr. Kelly.

8 Q: How about did Dr. Richard ever tell you that
9 Dr. Kelly expected that Monsanto would "lose
10 slowly"?

11 A: No.

12 Q: Did Dr. Richard ever tell you as of May
13 15th, 1968 that "Dr. Kelly seems correct, we're
14 hoping to lose slowly and any info we get which is
15 detrimental must be repeated so why pay for it?"

16 A: Would you repeat the question?

17 Q: Sure.

18 MR. PECK: Object to the form the question
19 including reading from the document.

20 Q: Did Dr. Richard ever tell you that, that Dr.
21 Kelly said or that Dr. Kelly was correct, we're
22 hoping to lose slowly, any info we get which is
23 detrimental must be repeated so why pay for it, did
24 you ever tell you that?

25 MR. PECK: Objection to the form.

1 A: I don't recall hearing that nor do I
2 understand it.

3 Q: Dr. Richard was the person that was giving
4 you the information originally with respect to the
5 problem, right?

6 A: Yes.

7 Q: Did Dr. Richard ever tell you that, that any
8 results which are detrimental would have to be
9 repeated so why pay for it, why pay for that
10 additional usage?

11 MR. PECK: Same objection to the form.

12 A: If the question was do I recall Dr. Richard
13 telling me, I do not recall Dr. Richard telling me
14 that.

15 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Numbers 399
16 thru 399-A marked for identification)

17 Q: Showing you two exhibits, 399 and 399-A,
18 sir, Exhibit 399 is a memorandum from Dr. Richard to
19 Lou Stark dated August 2nd, 1968 and you're shown as
20 a carbon copy recipient, correct?

21 A: Correct.

22 Q: This particular document, TNGS 18243, was
23 sent to Jack Garrett, right?

24 A: Yes.

25 Q: Exhibit 399-A is an additional copy of that

1 same document, production number TNGS 11860, and it
2 has handwriting in Dr. Richard's hand, correct?

3 A: Right.

4 Q: It states, does it not, Lou, Carl G did
5 some crude experiments saying less than 5 parts per
6 million was soluble in water. Possibly we could use
7 some more precise measurements. Could you read the
8 next part I recognize --

9 A: It looks like I relayed.

10 Q: I relayed the less than 5 parts per million
11 to Dale Smith, 8/1/68, WRR.

12 MR. PECK: Just for the record I object to
13 everyone's interpretation of the handwriting. The
14 document speaks for itself since it is unclear.

15 Q: And you're familiar with Dr. Richard's
16 handwriting, are you not?

17 A: I received a lot of handwritten things by
18 Dr. Richard. They were usually more clear than
19 this.

20 Q: In any event this is a memorandum regarding
21 Pydraul solubility in water and stream pollution,
22 correct?

23 A: Correct.

24 Q: And why would you get a copy of this
25 document? Would you still be dealing with Pydrauls

1 in a product capacity?

2 A: Probably so. This is right about that
3 transition period we discussed about. Looking at
4 the recipients of copies I would think so.

5 Q: Okay. And for the record Dr. Richard asks
6 Lou Stark "Do we have solubility of Pydraul 312 in
7 water at say 15 to 30 degrees Celsius? We should
8 have this figure to help our medical department
9 answer questions on stream pollution and recovery of
10 Pydraul. We should also relay numbers on solubility
11 of Aroclor in water", do you see that?

12 A: Yes.

13 Q: Did Monsanto have this information at this
14 time to the best of your recollection and knowledge?

15 A: I don't know. I'd see our research director
16 and ask one of his people that question, do we have
17 solubility and so I don't know. I would surmise we
18 didn't.

19 Q: That's all I have for that right now. This
20 has previously been marked as an exhibit and I don't
21 have the number in front of me and I'll mark it
22 again.

23 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 400
24 was marked for identification)

25 Q: This is Exhibit 170. That's previously been

1 marked as Exhibit 170.

2 MR. PECK: Again for the record I object
3 under the case management this being a document not
4 designated to be used in this deposition.

5 MR. ROEDER: Actually it has been but it was
6 previously marked, as well. I would rather use the
7 previous number.

8 MR. PECK: That's fine.

9 Q: And it's, I've given it to you in the form
10 it was produced to us but it is a December 30, 1968
11 memorandum from Dr. Richard to W. A. Kuhn and you're
12 listed as a carbon copy recipient, right?

13 A: Yes.

14 Q: At this time were you still involved with
15 Pydrauls?

16 A: From the distribution list it looks like I
17 may not have been directly involved. I may have
18 been manager of commercial development and,
19 therefore, interested in the management role or I
20 may have been the supervisor of Pydraul salesmen or
21 a direct role. I can't say. This is right at that
22 transition point when I left the Pydraul.

23 Q: Dr. Richard writes in the second page of the
24 memorandum "I believe we should help our customers
25 dispose of off-grade or non-reworkable Aroclor,

1 either by incinerating or toxic dump." Do you see
2 that?

3 A: Let me just make sure. Okay.

4 Q: Did you share that belief?

5 A: I would say that I didn't have the
6 background or technology to state. I would have no
7 reason to dispute Dr. Richard's opinion. Lacking
8 any independent data of my own I would go along with
9 him.

10 Q: Dr. Richard concludes this memorandum which
11 is intended to give Mr. Kuhn, make him more familiar
12 with the legal and political problems facing Aroclor
13 by saying "We probably have six months to one year
14 while they fight out the DDT case. I want to use
15 this time to minimize our exposure. We will need
16 your help in setting TSD targets." Do you see that?

17 MR. PECK: I'll object to your use of the
18 intent of the document.

19 Q: The first paragraph of the document reads,
20 does it not, "Bill, you wanted to become more
21 familiar with the legal and political problems
22 facing Aroclor with regard to pollution and the
23 accusations in the literature that chlorinated
24 biphenyls are poisoning and killing wildlife."
25 That's what he writes?

1 A: Yes.

2 Q: He continues, These wildlife people have to
3 be taken seriously. They have taken the DDT
4 industry to court in Wisconsin to prevent the use
5 and sale of DDT in Wisconsin and if they win in that
6 state DDT will be banned in many others." He wrote
7 that, as well, right, sir?

8 A: I see that.

9 Q: He continues "Our our problem is that
10 Aroclor has been "identified" along with DDT
11 residues and hence we are almost certain of being
12 drawn into the court records and may also be one of
13 the scapegoats of the DDT defense. The wildlife
14 people have accused Aroclor of doing all the bad
15 things of DDT." He writes that well as?

16 A: Yes.

17 Q: Dr. Richard concludes "We probably have six
18 months to one year while they fight out the DDT
19 case."

20 A: May I interject? I having trouble jumping
21 from the beginning the end.

22 Q: Sure. Read the whole document. Take as
23 much time as you would like.

24 A: Okay. Thank you.

25 Q: All right. Dr. Richard after he lays out

1 his potential steps in this memorandum says "We
2 probably have six months to one year while they
3 fight out the DDT case. I want to use this time to
4 minimize our exposure. We will need your help in
5 setting TSD targets", do you see that?

6 A: Yes.

7 Q: Did you agree with Dr. Richard?

8 A: About what?

9 Q: They had six months to year to fight out the
10 DDT case?

11 MR. PECK: I object to the form of the
12 question but go ahead.

13 A: I have no way of assessing the time but I
14 accept that he's estimating correctly. I have no
15 independent information.

16 Q: Basically that you had a year before people,
17 the wildlife people as he suggests return and
18 address themselves to Aroclor?

19 A: A year to develop the facts before there was
20 focus on PCB's, per se.

21 Q: Is that because the environmental people
22 were now concentrating on DDT and PCB is the next
23 issue on the horizon?

24 A: That's what he seems to be inferring in this
25 memo.

1 Q: It says we will need your help in setting
2 TSD targets, what is he referring to?

3 A: TSD, technical service department, related
4 to the -- I don't know, I'm speculating now, but it
5 had to do with the manufacturing plant that made
6 PCB's and the work he recites earlier in the memo
7 that needs to be done.

8 Q: This is to minimize the pollution in the air
9 and streams relating to Anniston and also Krummrich?

10 A: Yes.

11 Q: And so the record is clear he writes "I
12 believe we should make our plants have minimum air
13 or stream pollution. I believe that Anniston is
14 vulnerable and that off-gas HCl and Aroclor should
15 be 100 percent controlled. Krummrich may also need
16 help." So what he wanted to do is set emission
17 standards, is that correct, and meet them?

18 MR. PECK: Objection to the form of the
19 question.

20 Q: For those plants, is that what your
21 understanding of this memorandum?

22 A: I understand him to say we should make
23 efforts to control effluent as much as possible.

24 Q: Do you know how much effluent was being
25 emitted from the Krummrich Plant?

1 A: No, I don't.

2 Q: In excess of 5 pounds a day, 10 pounds a
3 day?

4 A: I don't know.

5 Q: This is previously marked. I'll give it to
6 the witness. I'll find the number. This has
7 already been Marked as Exhibit 84. It is the May
8 13, 1969 memorandum from Dr. Richard regarding
9 Aroclor analysis in pesticide residues.

10 Sir, is this a document you looked at in
11 preparation for your testimony today?

12 A: Yes, it is.

13 Q: You received a copy of it?

14 MR. PECK: As to when? Yesterday or --

15 Q: No, you would have received a copy of this
16 in your ordinary course, you're listed as a carbon
17 copy recipient?

18 A: Yes.

19 Q: Now, this memorandum reflects Dr. Richard's
20 meeting with Professor G. Widmark at the University
21 of Stockholm in May of 1969, correct?

22 A: Yes.

23 MR. PECK: Objection to the form. It speaks
24 for itself.

25 Q: Did you discuss this memorandum with Dr.

1 Richard?

2 A: I don't remember discussing it with him,
3 no.

4 Q: Okay. Other than looking at this document
5 do you, do you have any recollection of this
6 document other than what appears to its face?

7 A: No.

8 Q: All right. That's all I've got for that.

9 (Plaintiff's Deposition Exhibit Number 400
10 was marked for identification)

11 Q: Sir, Exhibit 400 is a memorandum you wrote
12 to Mr. Papageorge dated January 23, 1970, correct?

13 A: Correct.

14 Q: Production number TNGS 11899 and in this
15 memorandum you're advising Mr. Papageorge of a
16 potential practical, low cost method for reducing
17 Aroclor content of plant effluent streams, correct?

18 MR. PECK: Object to the form. The document
19 will speak for itself.

20 Q: Aren't you?

21 A: Yes.

22 Q: Were you out of Pydrauls at this point?

23 A: Yes, I was.

24 Q: What was your purpose in sending this
25 memorandum to Mr. Papageorge?

1 A: Clint Kemp was I believe my boss at the time
2 in commercial development and the technology
3 mentioned in memo was something he was quite eager
4 to evaluate for commercialization. One possible use
5 of it could be the removal of various things from
6 waste streams including the Pydrauls and so I
7 informed Mr. Papageorge who was involved with the
8 ecological issues and hygiene that this existed and
9 that he might want to look into it because of his
10 work on the ecological issue.

11 Q: How long were you developing the marketing
12 for Therminol before you went into the management
13 issue of developing new technology and buying,
14 acquiring?

15 A: Boy. The best I remember it was three or
16 four years before I left the fluids part of the
17 business, the sales part of the business. At
18 maximum, five years.

19 Q: Did you ever report to Mr. Paton?

20 A: I think for a brief period I did.

21 Q: And that's when he came back into the --

22 A: I inferred earlier I had communication with
23 him when we had parallel jobs or reported to him for
24 a brief period.

25 Q: So Mr. Kemp was, was not Mr. Paton's

1 predecessor in that job, was he?

2 A: I don't believe so.

3 Q: And Mr. Paton was marketing manager for
4 Therminols, was he not?

5 A: I don't remember that he ever was that.

6 Q: Did you ever have any discussions yourself
7 personally with anyone at Tennessee Gas relating to
8 PCB products?

9 A: I don't remember such conversations.

10 Q: Do you have anything that would refresh your
11 recollection?

12 A: Copies of documents if they exist.

13 Q: I haven't seen any and your counsel hasn't
14 shown you any, has he?

15 A: No.

16 Q: Did you ever have any discussions with
17 anyone at Tenneco regarding Therimols that contain
18 PCB's?

19 A: Again not that I recall.

20 Q: And you don't know what would refresh your
21 recollection?

22 A: Same sort of thing.

23 Q: How about Tenneco Chemical?

24 A: Again, I don't remember any such
25 communication.

1 Q: When you were involved in the marketing of
2 the Therminols were you concerned with insuring that
3 Therminol FR that would be used in systems was
4 properly drained and sent back to Sauget for
5 incineration, was that part of your responsibility?

6 A: That came later. I was involved with the
7 sale, with the marketing of Therminol FR and with
8 the reclamation of spent, partially decomposed
9 Therminol FR was reclaimed through Findett but the
10 incinerator was not an issue at the time I was
11 involved in the marketing.

12 Q: And the Findett issue, that related to an
13 economic basis and not an environmental basis?

14 A: Yes.

15 Q: So there would be fluids that were partially
16 used reclaimed in part and Findett had a service to
17 do that?

18 A: That's correct.

19 MR. ROEDER: Let me check my notes. We may
20 be done. I don't have anything further.

21 MR. PECK: Mr. Davis, you'll have opportunity
22 to review your testimony.

23 A: Thank you.

24 MR. PECK: I will take care of the logistics
25 of getting that to you.

1 COMES NOW THE WITNESS, RICHARD DAVIS, and having
2 read the foregoing transcript of the deposition
3 taken on the 28th day of November, 1995,
4 acknowledges by signature hereto that it is a true
5 and accurate transcript of the testimony given on
6 the date hereinabove mentioned.

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10 RICHARD DAVIS

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12 Subscribed and sworn to me before this

13 day of , 1996.

14 My Commission expires:
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5 I, Nancy Prange, a Notary Public in and for
6 the State of Missouri, duly commissioned, qualified
7 and authorized to administer oaths and to certify to
8 depositions, do hereby certify that pursuant to
9 Agreement in the civil cause now pending and
10 undetermined in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Rowan
11 Circuit Court, Civil Branch, to be used in the trial
12 of said cause in said court, I was attended at the
13 offices of Gore & Perry Reporting Company, 100 North
14 Broadway, in the City of St. Louis, State of
15 Missouri, by the aforesaid witness; and by the
16 aforesaid attorneys; on the 28th day of November,
17 1995.

18 The said witness, being of sound mind and
19 being by me first carefully examined and duly
20 cautioned and sworn to testify the truth, the whole
21 truth, and nothing but the truth in the case
22 aforesaid, thereupon testified as is shown in the
23 foregoing transcript, said testimony being by me
24 reported in shorthand and caused to be transcribed
25 into typewriting, and that the foregoing pages

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6 questions propounded to and the answers given by
7 said witness; that signature of the deponent was not
8 waived by agreement of counsel.

9 I further certify that I am not of counsel
10 or attorney for either of the parties to said suit,
11 not related to nor interested in any of the parties
12 or their attorneys.

13 Witness my hand and notarial seal at St.
14 Louis, Missouri, this 21st day of December, 1995.

15 My Commission expires August 8, 1998.

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St. Louis, Missouri

August 21, 1956

Mr. G. R. Side

Washington, D. C.

Memo - GRS to EPA

8/23/56

HYDRAUL 150

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Jim Davis - Acota Bldg
R. Davis - Acota Bldg.
J. L. Hammer - Acota Bldg.
P. H. Langenfeld - Acota Bldg.
H. S. Litzinger - Acota Bldg.
J. H. Lum - H.C.
J. W. Newcombe - Acota Bldg.
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M. C. Throdahl - Acota Bldg.
F. S. Tenty - H.C.
P. Wheeler - H.C.

I talked to Dr. Treon at the Kettering Laboratory by phone today, and he gave me the following information.

They find 2 to 1.5 micrograms of Aroclor per liter after bubbling Hydral 150 through bubblers at 72° and 80° F. This amount increases to 0.2 and 0.3 parts per million of Aroclor. This would give a figure for Hydral of .8 to 1.3 parts per million or roughly, 5 to 10 times higher than the Navy found.

Kettering ran this pretty carefully, taking 48 samples and using two analyses on each sample. Their method could not differentiate any difference between the results at 72° or at 80° F. They were pretty sure the air was saturated because they ran the material through two bubblers, and the figures using two bubblers gave the same as when only using one. They burned the final product and found chlorides so they are pretty sure they are dealing just with Aroclor.

They still have to do the minimum odor figure and passing the air through a scrubber.

I will leave it to your own judgment how much of this you want to tell the Navy, but even using 1 part per million of Hydral 150 in the air we certainly don't have very much contamination.

R. Ernest Kelly, M.D.

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Ref's
EXHIBIT NO. 375
7p 11-28-95

F. M. Lockett - Chicago
Elmer Wheeler - St. Louis

St. Louis - Roberts Building

March 21 1957

Jake Arbogast

Chicago

Bucyrus Erie Company
S. Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Pydraul 150

Jake, here is one I think you will want to follow-up. We received the following wire on March 15.

"USING PYDRAUL 150 IN HYDRAULIC SYSTEM OF FORGING MANIPULATOR MANUFACTURED BY SALEM BROSIOUS OF PITTSBURGH. HAVE HAD NUMEROUS HOSE AND PIPING FAILURES WHICH HAVE RESULTED IN PYDRAUL BEING SPRAYED OVER OUR WORKMEN AND IN A NUMBER OF CASES WORKMENS EYES HAVE BEEN SERIOUSLY BURNED. OUR MEDICAL STAFF AT A LOSS AS TO HOW TO PROPERLY TREAT THESE BURNS AS DO NOT KNOW PYDRAUL ANALYSIS. CAN YOU OFFER ANY SUGGESTIONS AS TO HOW TO TREAT.. CAN YOU SEND US AN ANALYSIS OF PYDRAUL.. HAVE BEEN BUYING THE PYDRAUL FROM SOCONY MOBIL IN MILWAUKEE.

J. E. Smart
Purchasing
Bucyrus Erie Company

Frank Langenfeld phoned Elmer Wheeler, our Industrial hygienist and inturn had Elmer phone Mr. Smart in S. Milwaukee.

I am sure Elmer conveyed to him the information on page 18 of the Pydraul booklet, pointing out that there is no corneal damage when Pydraul is sprayed into the eyes. There is a burning sensation which can be alleviated by a 1% Pontocaine solution or a Ophthalmic Cortisone Acetate solution. I would suspect also that Elmer Wheeler told Mr. Smart that Pydraul is a phosphate ester based formulation and that we are not at liberty to give details of the formula. However, as you already know Jake, Sloan Kettering laboratories have been running extensive tests on Pydraul and have found its level of toxicity to be low, in fact about equivalent to petroleum based hydraulic fluids.

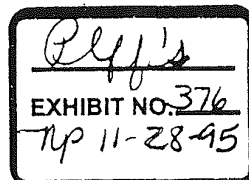
You will probably want to follow-up by stopping in to see Mr. Smart quite soon to further allay his fears.

Best regards.

Richard Davis

RD:sc

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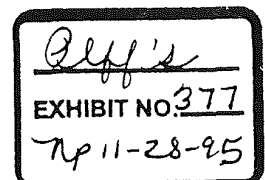
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Richard Davis
ST LOUIS

HAVE LETTER FROM CROWN ZELLEPBACH LEBANON OREGON DATED DECEMBER 10
WHO ARE USING PYDRAUL AC IN AIR COMPRESSORS WHICH WE QUOTE IN PART
QUOTE IT IS REASONABLE TO ASSUME THAT PYDRAUL VAPOR IS PRESENT IN SOME
DEGREE THROUGHOUT OUR COMPRESSED AIR PIPING SYSTEM PLEASE ADVISE
IF THIS VAPOR IS TOXIC OR HARMFUL IN ANY WAY WHEN USED BY PERSONS
FOR BREATHING IN AIR LINE TYPE RESPIRATORS UNQUOTE PLEASE LET US
HAVE YOUR SUGGESTIONS FOR ANSWERING

A W HEMPELMANN
SEATTLE

TNGS 018515



CEL 42
cc: Annie Vye, Portland
R. Emmet Kelly, M.D., Genl.
Richard Davis, Genl. Off.

December 19, 1950

Crown Zellerbach Corporation
Lebanon, Oregon

Attention Mr. A. C. Moncini

Dear Mr. Moncini:

Thank you very much for your letter of December 10 about toxicity of Pydraul AC vapors as might occur throughout your compressed air piping system.

Our Medical Department points out there are two facets to this problem. One is the toxicity of Pydraul AC itself and the second is the concentration of Pydraul AC vapors in the compressed air at the time it is delivered to the worker for breathing.

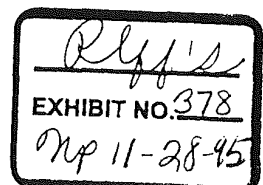
In animal toxicity screening studies with this product, the oral lethal dose in rats is approximately 40 grams per kilogram and in rabbits, 3.5 to 4.5 grams per kilogram. The greater sensitivity to rabbits is typical of this type of fluid but in either case the figures are such that it would be classed as having a low order of toxicity from the standpoint of accidental ingestion of single doses.

We have tested rats for a 6-hour exposure to an atmosphere saturated with vapors of the fluid. There was a slight reddening of the upper respiratory tract and a slight degree of lachrymation. This in itself would constitute a warning should large amounts of the material contaminate the air stream and a mist rather than vapors occur. There were no other effects either systemic or local.

The second factor deals with the actual amount of Pydraul AC vapor that would be present in the air delivered by the compressor. We have not conducted analyses to determine this amount but it is certainly my opinion of our Medical Department that the concentration of vapors would be very minute and should introduce no hazard to workmen breathing the compressed air if it is used for air masks. This is especially true in view of the negative results in our animal vapor exposure.

Normally traps or filters are installed in such lines to take out

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Crown Tellerbach Corporation

December 19, 1956

any odors, vapors, oil droplets or other foreign material. We know this fluid has been used in many installations similar to the one described, and we have no knowledge of any difficulty resulting.

If we can answer any further questions for you, Mr. Monsini, please let us know.

Cordially yours,

A. W. Hempelmann
District Sales Manager

AWH:fs

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From MONSANTO CHEMICAL COMPANY

cc J.D. Wright, Pittsburgh

At St. Louis - Building B-2-S

Date February 20, 1959

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To Dr. R. E. Kelly

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At Building A-2-S

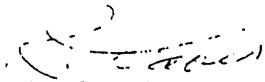
Subject PYDRAUL AC

ALUMINUM COMPANY OF AMERICA

We are trying to sell Pydraul AC to the Aluminum Company of America through the chief lubrication engineer at Alcoa headquarters. This gentleman, John T. Bunting, asked our feelings regarding toxicity if Pydraul AC is used to lubricate an air compressor supplying air to masks (air helmets) worn 8 hours a day, 5 days a week.

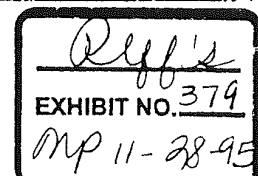
May I please have your comments so I can forward them to Alcoa through our Pittsburgh office. If you prefer, you may certainly write directly to Mr. Bunting at the following address:

Mr. John T. Bunting
Aluminum Company of America
Alcoa Building
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania


Richard Davis

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August 29, 1960

Mr. S. Facini
Engineering Department
Portable Compressor Division
Chicago Pneumatic Tool Company
Manufacturing Division
Franklin, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Facini:

Your letter to Mr. James D. Wright of our Company has been forwarded to me for answer. Your questions are difficult to answer in a generalized way.

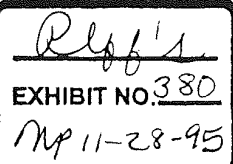
As you know, the Pydraul fluids are insoluble in water as well as heavier than water. Unless these materials are strongly emulsified they will sink to the bottom of any receiving stream and as such will not give rise to the typical picture of oil pollution. If the material is discharged in large concentrations it will adversely effect the organisms in the bottom of the receiving stream which will effect the aquatic life in the stream. This effect will probably not be any more serious than the effect of heavier petroleum oils. If large concentrations of these materials are contemplated in your discharge stream they could probably be removed by emulsion breaking and settling. This can be accomplished by gravity separation if the emulsions can be readily broken.

We have had no experience with any regulatory agency concerning the discharge of these materials. I would imagine that these agencies would frown on the discharge of large quantities of any type hydraulic fluid.

Based on the toxicity studies of these fluids with laboratory animals I would not expect them to be very toxic to aquatic life. On the other hand, this is a surmise on my part since we have no tests on aquatic animals.

In summary I would like to say that if small quantities of these materials are accidentally spilled into a receiving stream there would probably be no harmful effect. If, on the other hand, a great deal of the material was spilled some readily identifiable damage might ensue.

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Mr. S. Facini

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August 26, 1960

I realize that this information is somewhat sketchy but as you know the polluttional potential of any individual discharge can only be measured by the factors that influence that particular discharge. These factors would include the amount of fluid discharged, the total dilution water available in the effluent stream, the total volume of water in the receiving stream and the condition of the fluid in the effluent stream - emulsified or not.

We would be glad to discuss any individual occurrences that you might have in mind.

If we can be of any further help, do not hesitate to let us know.

Sincerely,

Jack T. Garrett
Industrial Hygienist
Medical Department

JTG:pjk

CC - Mr. Richard Davis
Mr. Dale F. Smith
Mr. James D. Wright

Enclosure: Original of attachment to file copy sent back to Dale F. Smith, GO.

TNGS 007745

September 30, 1959

Mr. H. H. Boettcher
Chief Engineer
Air Products, Inc.
Allentown, Pennsylvania

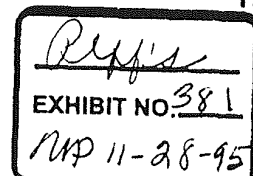
Dear Mr. Boettcher:

Your questions concerning the effect of Pydraul in stream pollution have been referred to me. I must say that the following statements are based on opinion rather than experimental data.

I do not believe that Pydraul would be any more toxic to fish than the usual petroleum based or phosphate based hydraulic fluid. The toxicity of the two are roughly comparable in all the other manners in which we have tested them. One could set up fish tests and if this problem is sufficiently important, we could schedule a series. However, as you know, the toxicity would be proportionate to the concentration in the river. It seems hard to tell what this might be because it would vary from the day-to-day leaks to a sudden loss of the entire fluid. The cost of this fluid would seem to minimize such a loss.

It is my understanding that the state of Pennsylvania has effluent limits rather than river limits for allowable concentrations of waste material. We have never had this problem arise in any of the other states and I have had no correspondence with Pollution Control Boards regarding percentage or concentration of Pydraul AC in solution permitted as effluent into streams. Static tests can be run on fish and if you can supply me the Pennsylvania state requirements, we will see how soon this can be obtained on Pydraul AC. Do you have a realistic effluent concentration on your present hydraulic fluid or cutting oils? Certainly a 1% to 2% level of any organic material, whether it be cutting oil solvent, hydraulic fluid, or detergent, will very probably kill fish.

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It is our experience that Pydraul will settle to the bottom when washed into a stream because of its specific gravity. This would appear to furnish added protection from the standpoint of effect on fish but I realize this is impossible of measurement.

I hope you will be able to provide Mr. Davis more detailed information on your problem, with actual amounts of hydraulic fluid lost per day so we can try to set up a realistic static test on fish. As you know, the state agency has the last word on such problems and if they have any procedures for testing of discharged oils and solvents, if you could tell me where I could obtain those, our tests might be more significant.

Very truly yours,

R. Ernest Kelly, M. D.
Medical Director

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RKK:ph

TNGS 018532

MONSANTO CHEMICAL COMPANY

NOV 5 - REC'D

From LOCATION: St. Louis - General Offices

cc:

DATE: November 5, 1959

SUBJECT: AIR PRODUCTS, INC.
Allentown, Pa.

TO: Dr. R. E. Kelly - A-2-S

Air Products, Inc., represents approximately \$300,000 to \$500,000 per year potential for Pydraul AC. I appreciate your help in answering some of their questions and would like to call upon you once more.

Air Products asked these two questions:

"What is the biological and botanical effect on fish life and plant life of Pydraul AC in concentrations of 1%-2% in water?

Supply any information from Pollution Control Boards regarding percentage or concentration in solution permitted as effluent into streams."

Your good letter of September 30 to Air Products, Inc., supplied answers to these questions. However, Air Products now comes back with the following comment:

"This item (information we sent) did not answer the question regarding botanical effect of Pydraul AC on grass, shrubs, plant life, etc., in concentrations of 1%-2%. Waste water may contain up to 1% Pydraul AC; Cellulube is definitely detrimental to plant life which is an important consideration, particularly in the southwest.

H. H. Boettcher (Air Products) will check with Pollution Boards in the Pittsburgh area to determine their various limitations on all matters pertaining to spent or waste materials. Also evaluate limits for discharge into streams or sewers. This information will be furnished as soon as available."

Dr. Kelly, difficult as their request is, I will appreciate your sending further comments to:

Mr. H. H. Boettcher
Air Products, Inc.
Allentown, Pa.

with a carbon copy to me and to Mr. R. A. Fitch, Gulf Research & Development Company, Marketing Technical Services Division, P. O. Drawer 2038, Pittsburgh 30, Pa. Many thanks.

Richard Davis

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EXHIBIT NO. 382

Nov 11-28-95

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November 16, 1959

Mr. H. H. Boettcher
Chief Engineer
Air Products, Inc.
Allentown, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Boettcher:

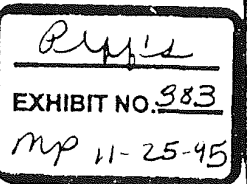
In our letter of September 30, we tried to answer the questions that you asked us concerning Pydraul AC in water. You have asked additional questions which we will try to answer now.

First, you asked if Pydraul AC in a 1-2% emulsion would harm plant life. We feel that it is possible for this material or any other emulsified organic material to cause damage to plants, such as grass, shrubs, etc., if the materials were sprayed directly on the plants and shrubs repeatedly for some length of time.

We have no information from any pollution control board concerning the discharge of Pydraul AC as such. However, with our experience with such boards, we feel that any material containing suspended or emulsified organic substances being discharged directly to a receiving stream would be frowned upon by these agencies. As we told you before, we feel that Pydraul AC would probably drop to the bottom of any water course into which it was discharged if it was not strongly emulsified. However, this does not remove the possibility of this material causing damage to aquatic life or bottom organisms. Such bottom organisms are part of the dynamic food cycle utilized by aquatic life.

We cannot answer your questions concerning whether or not this material can be discharged to a stream because we do not have all the facts available. What is allowed by regulatory agencies to be discharged untreated into receiving streams depends on many factors: the total amount of material discharged, the total amount of dilution available in the effluent and the total amount of dilution available in the stream, or stream flow factors. It is our opinion that it would be economically unsound to discharge sufficient

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Mr. H. H. Boettcher--Page 2--November 16, 1959

Pydraul AC into a stream to cause the stream very much difficulty unless it has a very small flow. We cannot, however, answer these questions clearly unless we have information concerning the total volume of your effluent, the total volume of the 1-2% emulsion, other possible contaminants in the effluent, the stream flow with 10 year variations and the classification applied to the stream by the pollution regulatory authorities of Pennsylvania. If we had this information, we could make reasonable calculations as to what concentration of Pydraul AC would ultimately end up in the receiving stream. If this concentration can be calculated then we can determine if concentrations in this range are toxic to aquatic life.

We would be happy to cooperate with you on this problem if you will provide us with the necessary information.

Very truly yours,

Jack T. Garrett
Industrial Hygienist
Medical Department

JTG:dh

cc Mr. Richard Davis
Monsanto Chemical Company

Mr. R. A. Fitch
Gulf Research & Development Co.
Marketing Technical Services Div.
P. O. Drawer 2038
Pittsburgh 30, Pennsylvania

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MONSANTO CHEMICAL COMPANY

St. Louis - General Offices

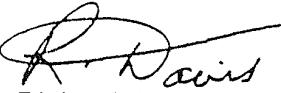
J. W. Newcombe - G. O.

November 17, 1959

PYDRAUL AC

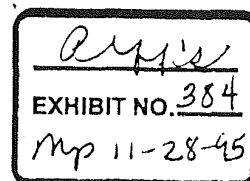
Elmer Wheeler - A-2-S

In line with our recent discussion, this is to request studies on the toxicity of discharge air from compressors lubricated with Pydraul AC.


Richard Davis

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General Offices

Richard Davis-GO
J W. Newcombe-GO

December 16, 1959

PYDRAUL AC VAPORS IN COMPRESSOR AIR

Dr. F. B. Zienty
1700 S. Second Street

Frequently, since we have promoted Pydraul AC as a substitute for petroleum-base lubricants in air compressors, we have been asked to express an opinion concerning the toxicity of vapors of the fluid or lubricant which may be entrained in the compressed air. As you undoubtedly know, the use of supplied air masks or respirators is common in many industrial operations. In the past, the only hazard has appeared to be the presence of carbon monoxide in the compressed air when the compressor air intake was located near a source of carbon monoxide as in the case of portable gasoline-engine operated compressors.

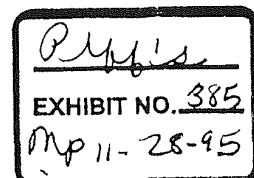
In answer to toxicity inquiries, we have pointed out, without disclosing the composition of Pydraul AC, that we would not expect any detectable concentration of Pydraul AC components to be carried into the compressed air. Further, we have mentioned that good industrial practice dictates that the airline supplying the individuals' masks should include a trap for capturing entrained droplets, foreign material, etc, and further, that such traps usually included a canister filter to remove odors.

We would be in a stronger position to overcome possible sales resistance to the use of a fluid containing undisclosed components if we had analytical data to confirm our opinions. Would it be possible for someone in your Research Department to analyze samples of air for Pydraul AC components? We would be happy to collect the samples from one or more compressors in the Queeny Plant using this fluid.

Elmer P. Wheeler

EPW:dh

TNGS 018543



MONSANTO CHEMICAL COMPANY

Inter-Office Correspondence

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From LOCATION St. Louis Organic Research Department cc: F. B. Zienty - Res. 1
DATE December 30, 1959 T. M. Patrick - Res. 2
SUBJECT PYDRAUL AC VAPORS IN COMPRESSOR AIR R. E. Hatton - Res. 1
REFERENCE Richard Davis - Gen. Off.
J. W. Newcombe - Gen. Off.

TO : Elmer P. Wheeler
General Offices

This will summarize the conclusions reached in our conversation regarding analytical work to determine whether toxicologically significant amounts of Pydraul AC components are entrained in compressed air from air compressors lubricated with that fluid.

It was agreed that instead of asking us to do this analytical work, you would request that the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company have this work done in their laboratories for the following reasons.

1. They have personnel who are specialists in this type of analysis and would therefore have methods and equipment set up and ready to do the analyses.
2. The prestige of having the work done in an outside laboratory which no one could accuse of being biased is a valuable consideration.
3. It is your belief that they will do this work for us as a customer service project, thus avoiding cost to us.

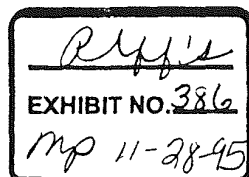
It was agreed that, should a considerable number of these determinations become necessary, we would reconsider the possibility of doing the work in our own laboratory.

R. H. Munch
R. H. Munch

RHM:sk

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St. Louis - General Offices

January 16, 1961

AROCOR TOXICITY IN POULTRY

K. H. Maddy - G. C.
R. E. Kelly - A-2-S
E. P. Wheeler - A-2-S
J. W. Newcombe - B-2-S
H. S. Bergen - B-2-S
DFS

C. F. Buchanan - B-2-S

I am referring to the attached memos: Ken Maddy to you and H. S. Bergen dated December 29, 1960, and Dr. Kelly to Ken Maddy dated December 30, 1960. These memos speak of the possibility of problems when Aroclor is used in applications permitting contamination of poultry feeds. You have asked for my comments.

1. Heat Transfer. To the best of our knowledge, Emery Industries does not use Aroclor as a heat transfer fluid. Anyway, in this application, Aroclor is generally used in an enclosed system with a relatively low temperature vent away from the operating area and contamination appears remote.
2. PYDRAUL. PYDRAUL AC is used by Ralston Purina at several locations for lubrication of air compressors. We do not know how the air is used, though it's probably to operate pneumatic instruments. It's important to note that drums of PYDRAUL AC are marked "Contains Chlorinated Hydrocarbons". Some tests by our Medical Department performed in 1960 indicated little or no contamination of air with PYDRAUL AC in one compressor (in the Queny Plant) lubricated with this material.
3. We do advocate the use of Aroclor in petroleum oil blends. We do not know if any oil blenders sell such a product for lubrication of feed processing equipment. However, we have no direct knowledge of such use.

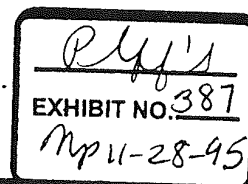
Howard Bergen will no doubt add more information from the standpoint of his applications as an extender for insecticides, as plasticizers, etc.

We plan to take no further action on this subject unless directed to do so.

Richard Davis

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[initials]

TNGS 018608



MONSANTO CHEMICAL COMPANY

APR 19 1960

FROM LOCATION St. Louis - General Offices

cc: J. S. Crawford - St. Louis

DATE April 18, 1960

SUBJECT PHILLIPS CHEMICAL CO.

REFERENCE Philtex Plant
Bartlesville, Oklahoma
PYDRAUL AC

TO E. P. Wheeler - G. O.

Will you please write to customer direct with carbon copy to
J. S. Crawford and me. Please enclose this Pydraul AC
booklet for Mr. Hooper.

R. Davis
Richard Davis

/pf
Attach.

From the desk of
J. S. CRAWFORD

Richard Davis
St. L. - Gen. Office
Philtex Plant is
about to convert to
Pydraul AC - from M.O.
Will you please
enclose this?
JSC

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Philtex
EXHIBIT NO. *388*

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BCC Richard Davis - 20

April 20, 1960

Mr. T. E. Hooper
Mechanical Equipment Engineer
Phillips Chemical Company
Philtex Plant
Bartlesville, Oklahoma

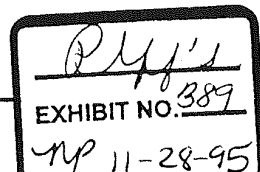
Dear Mr. Hooper:

Your letter of April 13 to Mr. Crawford asking for information on the toxicity of Pydraul AC has been referred to me for reply.

Animal toxicity screening studies with Pydraul AC indicate that the oral lethal dose to rats is greater than 52.0 grams per kilogram. In the case of rabbits, the minimum lethal dose was found to be 3.5 to 4.5 grams per kilogram. The difference in toxicity to various animal species is not unusual in the case of our hydraulic fluids. Based on the lethal dose in rabbits, we conclude that Pydraul AC may be considered only "slightly toxic" from the standpoint of accidental ingestion of single doses.

When applied to the unbroken skin of rabbits, the skin penetration lethal dose was found to be between 4.0 and 5.0 grams per kilogram. Again, this indicates a relatively low order of toxicity in terms of accidental exposure to large areas of the skin surface. Skin and eye irritation potential studies in animals indicate that irritation is not a serious hazard. We do recommend, however, that prolonged and repeated skin contact be avoided. In relation to eye irritation, animal studies do not reflect the pain which has been reported when the fluid has accidentally splashed in the eyes of workers. Significant pain and moderate irritation have resulted in the case of such accidents. As would be predicted from experience in animals, no permanent damage to eye tissues or to sight has resulted.

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Mr. T. E. Hooper--Page 2--April 20, 1960

Rats survived six-hours continuous exposure to an atmosphere saturated with vapors of Pydraul AC. This indicates that accidental exposure to massive vapor concentrations presents no serious acute hazard.

We believe that any Pydraul AC carried over in compressed air or gases presents no significant toxicity hazard to humans breathing the air or gas. Certainly, single or limited repeated inhalation exposures cause no effect in industrial uses of compressed air where workers are provided with protective air-supplied respiratory equipment. Any Pydraul AC vapors in concentrations to be toxicologically significant would be objectionable from the standpoint of odor. Even these concentrations would not be significant in terms of possible toxic effects unless the workers were continuously exposed 8 hours a day, week after week, during their working hours.

We believe good industrial practice dictates that compressed air systems providing air to workmen engaged in sand blasting or other industrial operations include air line filters. As I am sure you know, an example of such a filter is one available from the Mine Safety Appliances Company which will remove oil, water, mists and condensation from compressed air, organic vapors and odors.

Enclosed, as you requested, is a copy of our current bulletin on Pydraul AC.

If I can be of any further assistance, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

Elmer P. Wheeler
Assistant Director
Medical Department

EPW:dh
Enclosure

cc Mr. Joe S. Crawford
St. Louis District Sales Office
Monsanto Chemical Company
800 North Lindbergh Boulevard
St. Louis 66, Missouri

TNGS 018565

MONSANTO CHEMICAL COMPANY

From LOCATION Washington, D. C.
DATE October 23, 1961
SUBJECT AROCLORS - FDA
REFERENCE :

cc P. Benignus-St. Louis
R. Davis-St. Louis
W. Hunt-St. Louis
R. E. Kelly-St. Louis
H. Weingarten-St. Louis
R. S. Wobus-St. Louis
K. H. Maddy-St. Louis

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TO H. S. Bergen
St. Louis, Missouri

Dr. William Horwitz, of the Food Division of FDA, is hot on the trail of a chlorinated "compound X" which is a causative factor in chick edema. You will recall in July, I had indicated that O'Dell at the University of Oklahoma was publishing an article in the Journal of Poultry Science which seemed to indicate that Aroclor 1242 used in paint for chicken coops caused chick edema. At that time, we transmitted a sample of 1242 to Horwitz who was unable to find compound X in the sample. This seemed to give our Aroclors a clean bill of health.

Horwitz is now back on the trail. Because of the use of Aroclors as "extenders" for insecticides against roaches etc. in the poultry field, among others, he feels the Aroclor line should be more fully checked out. He called this week indicating that the FDA might like to know all about our Aroclor process of manufacture, our methods of analysis—including chromatographic, our toxicity studies and anything else related to the Aroclors. In addition, he indicated that FDA might desire to send a man to St. Louis to spend some time learning the "Aroclor business". I calmed Horwitz down temporarily by transmitting our latest Aroclor general sales booklet. I indicated if he did not get everything he desired from this booklet, to get in touch with me and I would proceed from there. When Horwitz has had a chance to look over the bulletin, I will be in touch with him again.

What is our experience on the use of Aroclors as extenders in insecticides? I am aware that Beltsville in '59 indicated 1 to 2% Aroclors in an insecticidal formulation such as Lindane for non-crop use seemed to be quite effective. Do we have any later data in this area? I will be in touch when the situation gels here.

C. J. Eby

CJE/mgo

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EXHIBIT NO. 390

mp 11-28-45

MONSANTO CHEMICAL COMPANY

Inter-Office Correspondence

FROM LOCATION : Pittsburgh
DATE : August 18, 1960
SUBJECT : CHICAGO PNEUMATIC TOOL COMPANY
Methods for disposing of Pydraul fluids
REFERENCE :
TO : Richard Davis
St. Louis

Mr. S. Facini of the subject company has requested advice on the safe disposal of Pydraul fluids. A copy of his letter is attached.

Could you give us your comments here, please.

J. D. Wright
J. D. Wright

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Attachment

From the desk of
D. F. SMITH

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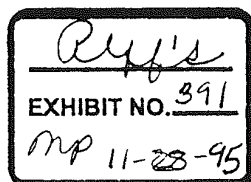
Elmer Wheeler
→ A-268-5

*When you have answered
this could you please send
this correspondence back for
our files?
Thanks a lot Elmer.*

Hale

8/29/60

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TNGS 018582

bcc: W. F. Burggrabe - A-1-1
D. J. Murphy - New York
E. P. Wheeler - A-2-1
S. U. Shorey - Everett

November 17, 1961

Mr. J. M. Rowland
Chas. Pfizer & Company, Inc.
Proton Plant
Proton, Connecticut

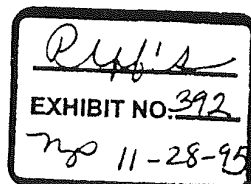
Dear Mr. Rowland

Thank you for your letter of November 2 requesting information on PYDRAUL AC.

We see no objection to operating your Chicago Pneumatic air compressor with PYDRAUL AC in the cylinders and Gulf Harmony 69 petroleum oil in the crank case. PYDRAUL AC is compatible with Gulf Harmony 69 and leakage of PYDRAUL AC into this oil would form a true solution with satisfactory lubricating properties. If the PYDRAUL AC content of the oil in the crank case reaches 3-5 percent or more, there may be a softening effect on the paint. The amount of PYDRAUL AC in the oil can be monitored from time to time by measuring specific gravity and referring to the chart attached.

Concerning your questions on decomposition products of PYDRAUL AC and the effect of this lubricant on bacterial growth, our medical staff reports:

The decomposition products of PYDRAUL AC can include carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, water, hydrogen chloride, phenols and aldehydes, and undecomposed PYDRAUL AC vapors, depending on the conditions of decomposition such as temperature, oxygen available, period of contact with heat, etc.



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November 17, 1961

We have no information about their 'understanding that this material will not support bacterial growth'.

The carry-over of air compressor cylinder lubricant to filters, tanks and other down-stream equipment is usually mostly in the form of micron size mist. Most of this mist can be removed with an efficient fiber mist eliminator. Enclosed is a reprint of a paper presented by Dr. Brink of Monsanto at the AIChE meeting in Lake Placid, New York in September. On page 3, he specifically mentions bacteria free processes.

With a Brink mist eliminator, carry-over is then reduced to the vapors of the lubricant. This can be minimized by use of PYDRAUL AC as it has a vapor pressure of only 0.0005 millimeters of mercury at 100°F. Even this trace amount of lubricant could be removed with an active adsorbent filter, such as charcoal or alumina, though this should not be necessary.

We believe the combination of the Brink mist eliminator and PYDRAUL AC as the cylinder lubricant will be a practical solution to the goal described in your letter of November 2, 1961. If you would like additional information on the mist eliminator equipment, would you please contact Mr. William Burggrave at this same address. If you would like additional information on PYDRAUL AC, please let me know or contact Mr. S. U. Shorey at our office in Everett Station, Boston 49, Massachusetts (Dunkirk 7-5010).

Very truly yours,

Richard Davis, Manager
Industrial Fluids Sales

RD:mjt

Enclosure

TNGS 018632

OFFICE ROUTING - CHECK BOXES		CUSTOMER NAME	REYNOLDS METALS COMPANY		DATE OF CALL 4/26/55		
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☒ FUNCTIONAL FLUIDS		ADDRESS, MAP, MGT. CODE NUMBERS					
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FIRST - DICTATE ORDER RECEIVED-DISTRICT ACTION REQUIRED-PERSONNEL CONTACTED SECOND - REPORT OBJECTIVE-RESULTS-FURTHER ACTION REQUIRED

Contacted: Mr. Richard Mansur - Industrial Hygienist

PYDRAUL AC: ATTN: DICK DAVIS

Dr. McClean was out of town for the week, but I was able to contact Mr. Mansur and get some second hand information on the status of Pydraul AC in Reynolds, air compressors. Mansur said that he has settled on a standard of 0.5 milligrams per cubic meter max. allowable phosphate ester in the air. This standard was developed for Cellulube 300 and not for Pydraul AC. Mr. Mansur said that he does not have a standard for Pydraul AC, because this material contains chlorinated hydrocarbons as well as phosphate esters. Now that he has developed a standard, Mr. Mansur is experiencing difficulty in actually measuring an atmosphere to see whether it conforms to this standard. He has reviewed the work which was sponsored by Monsanto and others and found it either to be unsatisfactory or impractical for Reynolds use. Mr. Mansur is now doing some experimental gas chromatography work. Mr. Mansur was quick to point out that setting these standards for the use of a fire resistant lubricant is the responsibility of Dr. McClean. Mr. Mansur merely passes on the acceptability of such standards in the hygiene area. When I asked Mr. Mansur whether or not Pydraul AC is under active consideration at this time, he said that Dr. McClean is rather hesitant to go very far with Pydraul AC due to his own bad experiences with high molecular weight chlorinated hydrocarbons. For himself, I believe that Mr. Mansur is open on whichever material is chosen. He said that any system will have to be watched like a hawk. Mr. Mansur expressed great respect for our hygiene people and what they told him concerning Pydraul AC, but he said that any man-made-system can go out of wack. I will set up a three-way meeting between myself, Mr. Mansur and Dr. McClean on my next visit to Richmond. At this point and time, we do not appear to be in very good position to have Pydraul AC accepted as a corporated standard at Reynolds.

DATE OF OFFICE
WILMINGTON

SALESMAN

HARRY L. DITTY

5/3/55

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EXHIBIT NO. 393

mp 11-2845

St. Louis

July 30, 1965

Pydraul

G. A. Buchanan - GEUCH
R. Davis/D. Smith - RDAVI
L. G. Farrow - LFAHR
P. G. Ziegenfuss - PZIEO

Mr. Larry Bradford - LBRAD

I feel we have given entirely too light a touch to the warning paragraphs in the handling and storage section of the reference bulletin. I would recommend that it be worded this way:

Handling and Storage

Animal toxicity studies and human experience indicate that the Pydraul hydraulic fluids may be used safely if a few reasonable precautions are taken.

Repeated or prolonged skin contact should be avoided not only to prevent absorption of the material and possible systemic effect but, also, because the fluids are excellent solvents for the oils normally present in the skin. Thus, drying and irritation could occur.

When splashed or sprayed into the eyes, Pydraul causes painful smarting. There is no evidence, however, of any permanent eye injury. In the event of accidental contact with the eyes, the eyes should be flushed with copious amounts of water for 15 minutes and the workman referred to a physician; physicians have used 1% Pontocaine (R) solution (Winthrop Laboratories) and ophthalmic cortisone acetate solution to relieve irritation.

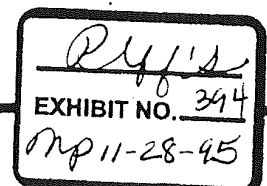
When Pydraul is kept at room temperature it does not constitute a vapor inhalation hazard except in a confined, unventilated space.

Respiratory protection or mechanical exhaust ventilation should be provided if there is repeated and prolonged contact of the fluid with heated surfaces with resulting volatilization or possible decomposition of the fluid. For short periods, such as might arise in turning off equipment following the rupture of a hydraulic line or other mechanical failure, no such protection is necessary.

Klmer P. Wheeler

KPW/ln

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St. Louis - Federal Offices

March 7, 1966

Breck's Diving School, Warwick,
Bermuda -- Air Quality Standards
for Scuba Diving

Your Letter of February 16 to Dick Davis

RANDALL GRAHAM
New York

G.A. Buchanan GBOCH
Alan Bades AEDE
Dick Davis/Dale Smith GO
P. Slayton - New York
Joe Brink JERIN

Dale Smith asked for our comments relative to Mr. Breck's inquiry. I believe there are two pertinent points in your memo. One is that the volume of [Hydral] in such applications would be pretty limited. Secondly, I doubt that Monsanto wants to get involved in any extensive studies in connection with Mr. Breck's problem.

In the last 2 - 3 years we have looked at standards for compressed air more from the standpoint of that used in a number of our plants rather than the problem of scuba divers. It is interesting to note that only recently has such attention been given to establishing standards for compressed air for either use. In industry more problems have arisen from connecting a cylinder of some other gas to the compressed air line rather than from contaminants in the compressed air. On the other hand, there have been numerous cases of poisoning and deaths from compressed air in plants where the air entering the compressor has been a source of CO or other toxic material and then distributed around the plant through pressure lines rather than in cylinders.

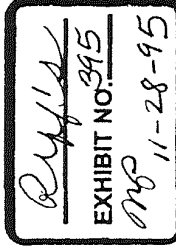
I would expect that problems which have arisen in scuba diving have been similar in that cylinders have been filled from a filling station compressor where the inlet air picked up CO from an auto exhaust or where a compressor had the exhaust located in a spot close to the air inlet to the compressor.

In January 1964 the Department of Public Health of California issued a publication under the title "Skin and Scuba Diving as a Health Problem." This is made up of about 30 pages. A xerox copy of page 9 which indicates standards for the air is attached. (If Mr. Breck writes to California for a copy of this publication, he will find that the report recommends a water lubricated compressor.)

In February, 1964 the State of New Jersey published regulations governing compressed air used in scuba activities. A xerox copy of their regulations is also attached.

I have enclosed the above in case you wish to send them to Mr. Breck.

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Randall Graham, New York
March 7, 1966
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Getting back to the question of use of Pydraul, we feel that the hazard is no greater with this lubricant than with an oil lubricant. We have limited data on one compressor at the Queens Plant where analysis of samples showed no significant contamination in air lines downstream from the compressor. Considerable more sampling would have to be done, however, with many makes of compressors, sizes, conditions of wear, etc. The simplest solution with either oil or Pydraul is to filter the air through commercially available filters which would remove any contaminants in the air stream including rust and particulate matter as well as oil mist, Pydraul mist or decomposition products if the compressor is run at excessive temperatures.

I have returned the original copy of Mr. Breck's letter and will not volunteer to read the text of his proposed book. I am not sure how much of the above you want to forward to him in order to maintain the proper Monsanto image.

Elmer P. Wheeler

EPW:mjb

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FROM (NAME & LOCATION) H. S. BERGEN - ST. LOUIS

DATE April 5, 1968

SUBJECT Aroclors - Delayed Orders -
Allocation

REFERENCE

TO : DR. C. E. ANAGNOSTOPOULOS
CANAG

cc P. G. BENIGNUS-PBENI
R. DAVIS-RDAVI
H. J. DAY-HDAY
F. P. GUIGNON-FGUIG
N. T. JOHNSON-NJOHN
J. J. KAGAN-JKAGA
A. L. KLEMM-AKLEM
W. A. KUHN-WKUHN
CUMMING PATON-CPATO
E. S. ROBSON-EROBS
N. L. SAMPLE-NSAMP
W. E. SCHALK-WSCHA
HOWARD TIPPEE-HTIPP
M. T. WHITE, JR.-MWHIT

Manufacturing and Production Planning and Distribution have indicated that our Aroclor plants are presently operating at approximately 99% of capacity and sales demand has increased recently to such a point that demand is outstripping supply.

We have considered some of the various ways in which we can supplement our Aroclor availability without going on an allocation basis to our customers. Based on Herb Day's recent calculations, it appears as though during the period April and May that we will be short approximately 1M lbs., thus indicating about a 94% allocation basis over these two months. Following are some of the ways in which we can possibly prevent this allocation.

1. Inventory reductions

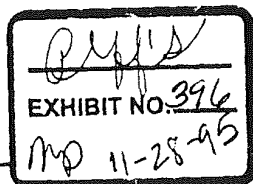
- Reduce Aroclor 1242 drum inventory
- Reduce all other inventories (plasticizers and functional fluids formulated) to 75% of the minimum inventory
- Make shorter blend runs of formulated products and thus avoid excessive inventory at any one point in time

Attention: Norris Sample and Howard Tippee - Would you do all possible in this area and review this subject and let us know what action can be taken.

2. Buy or convert biphenyl to chlorinated biphenyl from overseas sources such as Prodelac and Bayer. We export approximately 600 to 700,000 lbs. a year of formulated Aroclor products in the Fluids area and the Plasticizer Group exports approximately a million pounds per year. So, we could buy this in France or Germany and ship it direct to our overseas customers or we could bring it into the U. S. and get duty drawback. We would prefer,

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however, to buy it and ship it direct rather than bring it into the U. S. not only because of the excessive freight costs which it incurs but also because it would alert other manufacturers to the shortage of chlorinated diphenyl in the U. S. There are many possibilities; we could blend F-9 and A-200 at Antwerp or at Dalton or we could sell as such as plasticizers.

Attention: Costas Anagnostopoulos & Bill Kuhn - would you please investigate this further as to feasibility, and if you agree, let's get Purchasing and Antwerp Manufacturing working on this. If Antwerp can't do it, then let's consider Dalton.

3. General Electric has contaminated Aroclor from their transformer production which they have offered us to reclaim. This is some 70 to 100,000 gallons per year and it is quite possible that we could utilize this in some of our formulated product blends.

Attention: Paul Benignus - would you please get samples of this as quickly as possible and work with Dick Davis and Bill Richard to determine the quality of this type of material and whether it is usable or not. Also, please negotiate the best possible pricing if it appears that this might be a feasible method.

4. Obtain extra material from MCL production facilities as soon as it is available. We understand they cannot supply material now until the fall but perhaps by some quick de-bottlenecking or closer scrutiny we might be able to get more out.

Attention: Bill Kuhn - suggest you evaluate this possibility still further.

If all of the above fails and we are forced to go on an allocation basis, Waychoff and I have agreed that the order of priority of shipments for both Plasticizers and Functional Fluids will be:

- Customers receive the first priority
- Distributors receive the second priority
- and
- Warehouses the last priority

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Dr. C. E. Anagnostopoulos

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Walt Waychoff will provide to Production Planning a list of preferred customers for priority treatment and I will provide the same for Fluids. We hope we do not have to come to this.

There is no need to point out the urgency of this situation because it is most urgent. We are already delaying some customers and causing them to shut down their production. Our salesmen are spending a lot of time placating customers when they could be out doing more productive selling. It is arousing the customer's wrath and there is nothing we need more than for them to get irritated at us to put a second source in business. All of us must realize the consequences of our position and do the utmost to secure additional material. The time is urgent. Herb Day is further defining our shortage deficiencies over the next several months and we are waiting for a computer run on this.

We urge all of you to keep our shortage position as confidential and quiet as possible so as not to arouse our customers or competition more than they are.

W. F. Waychoff
(mh)

W. F. Waychoff

H. S. Bergen

H. S. Bergen

(mh)

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FROM (NAME & LOCATION)

W. R. Richard - Research Center

DATE

May 20, 1968

cc:

D. Roush DROUS

S. Shaw SSHAW

D. Smith DSMIT

C. Early CEARL

R. Keller - JFQ

H. Bergen HBERG

SUBJECT

REFERENCE

TO

R. Davis - RDAVI

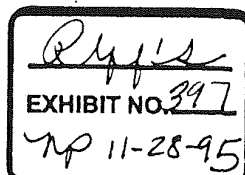
We now have FDA inquiry for samples of Aroclor, presumably to look for ppm toxicity, and on residues in wildlife.

Are we preparing ourselves and customers to minimize or prevent process, stream and air pollution?

W. R. Richard

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General Office - St. Louis

May 23, 1968 *FF*

FDA Aroclor Inquiry

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RAG/DPS

C. Early - CEARL

~~W. K. Kellum - W. K. Kellum~~

H. Bergen - HMFRO

W. R. Richard - WRICH

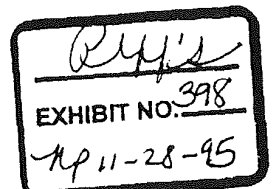
The major entry of Aroclor into sewers and streams from industrial fluids applications is in industrial hydraulics. We are prepared to design, install and start up effective fluid recovery systems which remove Pydraul from plant effluent. We have demonstrated this capability thru Findett. A few customers use the system as an economic measure.

If and when more customers are pressed to keep Pydraul out of the streams due to government legislation, we are prepared to act by referring them to Findett or serving as prime contractor, subcontracting to Findett.

Richard Davis

RD/mms

TRAN 086253



General Office - St. Louis

May 23, 1968 *FF*

FDA Aroclor Inquiry

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RAQ/DPS

C. Farly - CEARL

~~W. R. Richard - WHICH~~

H. Bergen - HBERG

W. R. Richard - WHICH

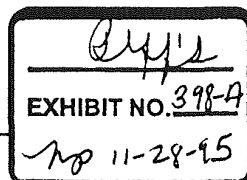
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Richard Davis

RD/mms

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FROM: INCH & LOCATION: W. R. Richard - Research Center

DATE August 2, 1968 cc. R. Davis RDAVI
R. Garcia RGARC
SUBJECT PYDRAUL 312 SOLUBILITY IN N. Johnson NJOHN
~~IN AND STREAM POLLUTION~~ D. Smith DSMIT
REFERENCE E. Wheeler EWHEE
J. Garrett JGARR
TO Lou Stark - LSTAR

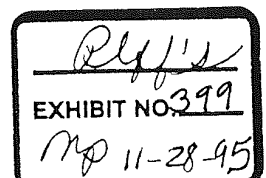
Do we have solubility of Pydraul 312 in water at say 15 to 30°C? We should have this figure to help our medical department answer questions on stream pollution and recovery of Pydraul. We should also relay numbers on solubility of Aroclor in water.

WRR

W. R. Richard

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FROM (NAME & LOCATION) W. R. Richard - Research Center

DATE August 2, 1968

SUBJECT PYDRAUL 312 SOLUBILITY IN
H₂O AND STREAM POLLUTION

REFERENCE

R. Davis RDMVI
R. Garcia RGARC
N. Johnson NJOHN
D. Smith DSMIT
E. Wheeler EWHEE
J. Garrett JGARR

TO ~~Mr. Stark~~ Lou Stark - LSTAR

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say 15 to 30°C? We should have this figure to help
our medical department answer questions on stream
pollution and recovery of Pydraul. We should also
relay numbers on solubility of Aroclor in water.

W.R.R.

W. R. Richard

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Low,

*Carl G. did some crude experiments
saying 4-5 ppm was soluble in water. Possibly
we could use some more precise measurements.
- & relayed this to 5 ppm to Duke Smith 8/1/68
W.R.R.*

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Pliff's
EXHIBIT NO. 399-A
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Richard Davis - St. Louis

January 23, 1970

PCB POLLUTION

W. B. Papageorge
WPAPA

P. G. Kenigius

~~C. C. Kenigius~~

W. A. Richard-WAIC

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② DRP for
file -
Reclamation

Clint Kemp may have a practical, low cost method for reducing Aroclor content of plant effluent streams. It appears to work with petroleum oil in water and will be checked with Pydraul 312 and Aroclor 1242.

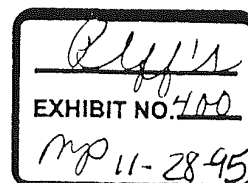
The method is filtration of the stream through sand which is treated (by the Vapocoupling process) to have an organophilic surface. The oil or fluid is released from the sand by raising the pH. The organophilic nature of the sand is restored by lowering the pH.

You may want to check with Clint Kemp to explore this idea further.

Richard Davis

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Sample of
A200, 512 & 1242
sent to Kemp for evaluation
week of 1/19/70.
DB



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FROM (NAME & LOCATION) W. R. Richard - Research Center

DATE December 30, 1968

SUBJECT AROCOLOR - WILDLIFE

REFERENCE

TO ~~W. A. Kuhn~~ - WKUHN

cc H. Bergen HBERG
P. Hodges PHODG
E. Wheeler EWHEE
E. Tucker JFQ
D. Olson DOLSO
R. Kountz RKOUN
R. Davis RDAVI
W. Johnson WJOHN

Bill, you wanted to become more familiar with the legal-political problems facing Aroclor with regard to pollution and the accusations in the literature that chlorinated biphenyls are poisoning and killing wildlife.

These wildlife people have to be taken seriously. They have taken the DDT industry to court in Wisconsin to prevent the use and sale of DDT in Wisconsin and if they win in that state, DDT will be banned in many others. This case was on National Television last week. The wildlife people are dedicated to the demise of DDT.

Our problem is that Aroclor has been "identified" along with DDT residues and hence we are almost certain of being drawn into the court records and may also be one of the scapegoats of the DDT defense. The wildlife people have accused Aroclor of doing all the bad things of DDT.

We are taking 3 steps to protect ourselves. Scott Tucker and R. Keller are to repeat some of the analytical identification work feeding Aroclor to chickens and seeing if Aroclor is really present as "shown" by the literature. I hope we have been falsely accused but maybe Aroclor is present.

E. Wheeler is having feeding tests done on animals to establish a "safe" level for Aroclor feeding. If we can find a "safe" level Calandra's Lab will do 2 year experiments on animals including effects on succeeding generations. This will help a bit but the wildlife people won't be stopped by this kind of evidence.

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Aroclor, wildlife

W. A. Kuhn

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Dec. 30, 1968

The third step is to minimize exposure of Aroclor, to reduce air and water pollution, to restrict Aroclor to uses which can be controlled. This is the only way I see to survive.

I believe we should make sure that our plants have minimum air or stream pollution. I believe Anniston is vulnerable and that off-gas HCl and Aroclor should be 100% controlled. Krumrich may also need help.

I believe we should demonstrate that Aroclor can be incinerated to harmless products for disposal.

I believe we should help our customers dispose of off-grade or non-reworkable Aroclor, either by incinerating or by toxic dump.

I believe plasticizer group marketing should know where their product is going and be able to minimize exposure risk if Aroclor has truly been identified as a pollutant.

We probably have 6 months to 1 year while they fight out the DDT case. I want to use this time to minimize our exposure. We will need your help in setting TSD targets.

W. R.

W. R. Richard

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FROM (NAME & LOCATION) W. R. Richard - Research Center

DATE May 13, 1969

SUBJECT AROCLOR - ANALYSIS IN PESTICIDE
RESIDUES

REFERENCE (Visit to Prof. G. Widmark
U. of Stockholm - May 5, 1969)

TO File

cc: R. Keller A-Lab
E. Wheeler EWHEE
E. Tucker Res. 2
H. Bergen HBERG
D. Olson DOLSO
W. Kuhn WKUHN
R. Kountz RKOUN
R. Davis RDAVI
P. Benignus/J. Bryant PBENI
J. Fallon JFALL
Q. Thompson QTHOM
R. Weiss RWEIS
L. Stark LSTAR
J. Springate JSPRI
M. Farrar Res. 1
W. Waychoff WWAYC
C. Paton CPATO
R. Baxter RUABON

Widmark was finding

Cl₅ and Cl₆ chlorinated biphenyls from extraction of salmon and
from extraction of waste sewage sludge.

Low Cl₄ and Cl₅ chlorinated biphenyl

Some Cl₁₀ " "

No Cl₁₁ and Cl₁₂ " "

This corresponds roughly to Clophen 50 or Aroclor 1254.

The isomers found in nature are not the same ratios as in either Aroclor
1254 or Clophen 50.

Widmark has examined 2000 samples from the Baltic Sea. Another group of
ecologists is examining the sea around Scotland. Their results are a
bit different according to Widmark's knowledge.

Widmark had been in contact with transformer manufacturers in Sweden.
They reported very low loss of chlorinated biphenyls, an occasional spill.
Widmark kept hitting at marine paints as a source of the product.

He wanted Monsanto to restrict sale to those closed system applications.
He asked if the economic value of PCB's was worth the bad publicity which
would come to Monsanto.

We countered with a question. What products would he recommend as sub-
stitutes? What kinds of synthetic compounds are biologically acceptable?
Would he help establish a safe tolerance level of synthetic compounds in
wild-life?

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He reported that he had not isolated or found much chlorinated biphenyl with 1 through 4 Cl atoms. This might be because Aroclor 1242 and below is more biodegradable; (or it could be due to the analytical isolation and separation methods; or perhaps Aroclor 1242 is less exposed in the world.)

Widmark is dedicated to better and more accurate analysis. He is in sympathy with most of the ecologists demanding elimination of chlorinated pesticides. His knowledge of scientific evidence and its requirements makes him slightly hesitant in condemning Aroclor itself or demanding its total eclipse.

Keller and Wheeler should have a more complete report.

Widmark reported not finding chlorinated naphthalene, chlorinated paraffin, chlorinated benzene, chlorinated terphenyl. He thought he had identified and accounted for 80% or more of the lipid soluble extractable chlorine containing compounds.

Based on these remarks of Widmark we might consider alternate products and actions.

What is the Cl₂ and Cl₃ content of Aroclor 1242?

The Aroclor 1242 has 31% dichloro,
53% trichloro
16% tetrachloro

The Cl₂ content must be very low in our present material. If Aroclor 1242 is indeed biodegradable we might restrict usage to minimize and control its concentration in nature to acceptable levels.

However, the use of Aroclor 1248, 1254 and 1260 would seem to require further restrictions in exposed systems.

Scott Tucker reported that Aroclor 1242 could be destroyed by HNO₃/H₂SO₄ treatment. Widmark may or may not have been destroying Aroclor 1242 before his analysis.

We could also expect that Cl₂ might go undetected based on Widmark's evidence; and apparently chlorinated paraffin and chlorinated terphenyl have so far escaped detection or are absent in the tissues of birds or fish.

Again, Keller and Wheeler should have a more complete report.

WRR

W. R. Richard

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TRAN 009836

Aroclor - Biodegradation

RUABON VISIT

I talked with R. Baxter, J. H. Mainprize and R. A. Lidgett at Ruabon. They had reviewed the literature and had received samples of Aroclor from St. Louis, isomers 241, 441, 2214141 and Aroclor 1242, 1254, and 1260. We asked that they examine these for microbiological degradation.

R. A. Lidgett said he would have to develop an analytical method. I would hope that collaboration with Scott Tucker on method or on actual sample analysis could speed this up. We would like some indication of biodegradability, especially on Aroclor 1242.

WR

W. R. Richard

MS

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from the desk of
WILLIAM RICHARD

TRAN 057163

T. CEA

5/15/68

Bob Kelly is working on these
analytical methods so we can identify sources,
necessary.
Dr. Kelly seems correct. We are
hoping to move slowly. Any info we
get which is determined must be
reported so we pay for it.

I believe we should do something to
control exposure of funds to maintain
both in ourselves and our customers.

This is why I can't see them for
in stock goe process.

WRR.

W. R. Kelly

