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Subject: RE: Legacy - FTR Article(s)

I'll take a stab at it on Monday. We have the background in preparing for Poisoned Profits. Obviously, it is difficult because of all the allegations over many years, but the truth is that Monsanto has stepped up to this obligation and provided major financial assistance in the clean up, PCB's were once considered essential for safety, Monsanto stepped up to the plate to take them off the market before being required to do so, and the company will continue to work with the residents of Anniston in the years ahead.

There is disagreement on health effects. The Monsanto Material Safety Data Sheet says there are no proved human health effects beyond chloracne, ASTDR has a more negative assessment, and the Alabama Department of Public Health has a fish advisory in the immediate area of Anniston for PCB contamination.

Probably a factual summary of the history and what Monsanto did to address the situation is a good start, with the accurate assessment of health effects something that needs to be carefully described not to exaggerate either way. We can talk more on Monday.

From: MITCHELL, BRADLEY C [AG/1000]
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Bob,

There is a heightened concern at the ET level with the French Film. As you know, the film devotes a fair amount of coverage on Monsanto's handling of PCBs and Aniston in general. This is also a topic of the upcoming Poisoned Profits book.

Given this, could I solicit your services to put a article together on PCBs and Aniston (or an article or articles covering the scope of you determine appropriate) for For The Record? You have suggested this be done in the past, but your knowledge of the issues are much greater than mine or my team's.

I believe there is some urgency to this, but will defer to your judgment on timing. I know you have a pretty challenging schedule coming up. If you agree regarding the urgency, and do not have time to write the article, perhaps you could provide an outline and guidance to John and he could write it?

Please let me know your thoughts.

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