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Dear Bob:

You will remember that, when Lead "Ascs" were last up for discussion in the ASA Z37 Sub-committee on Lead a couple of years ago, we were all pretty much in agreement on raising the basic threshold limit from 1.5 to 2, but got rather bogged down on the ancillary proposal of higher figures for the less soluble compounds, principally the chromate, silicate and sulfide. This was mainly for lack of adequate and reliable scientific evidence on which to base quantitative judgments.

As you may or may not know, our organization and the Zinc Institute have quite recently established a joint research program looking toward development of uses, both new and old, of the two metals. Now comes from the Imperial Color Chemical and Paper Corporation the letter of which a copy is herewith, and the question quite naturally arises whether some research funds might advantageously be employed in seeking acceptable evidence of the relative insolubility of the chromate, and perhaps of some of the other compounds.

I plan to be at the Palmer House for Jim Starnon's show next week, at which I note that you are holding forth on Wednesday, and would like very much to discuss the above proposition with you. How about some part of the apparently vacant period between 5:15 and 7:30 that afternoon?

Sincerely,

Manfred

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