

9/2/65

RM & P
Customer
Complaint

To: B. J. Darby

Subject: UCM Complaint 65-17-UCM-4

The returned tank car 11ATX 14954 has been analyzed and the results are attached.

The retained sample (54 ml. carbide) was checked for appearance and found to be pink in color. A large amount of "red" residue was left in the flask after evaporation of the UCM.

Conclusions:

- ① The material was of superior quality at the time of shipment.
- ② The UCM deteriorated in the tank car between the time it was loaded and its return to Monsanto.

Recommendations:

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- ① Since Carbide is willing to accept most cars that we can not ship to Springfield it may be worthwhile to:
a) Release the car immediately if acid is the only problem and
b) Hold the car for observation for several days if any of the other components are abnormal.

- ② Take action as recommended in meeting 9/1/65.

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