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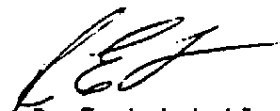
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To David A. Kuhn
From R. E. Lehmkuhl
Date May 17, 1979
Subject BENZENE EXPOSURE

You have copy of Ralph T. Ferrell's letter of May 15 under the above.

We would appreciate your thoroughly checking into the benzene situation and determining whether the data suggests benzene exposure presents a possible danger to females with childbearing capabilities.

Your report will be beneficial in determining if Legal/Medical guidance is required in limiting our liability in the health area while not conflicting with equal employment opportunities.


R. E. Lehmkuhl

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cc: Ralph T. Ferrell
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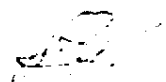
To R. E. Lehmkuhl - Houston
From R. T. Ferrell - Baltimore
Date May 15, 1979
Subject BENZENE EXPOSURE

We have recently received further information that suggests that benzene exposure could prove harmful to females and in particular, an unborn fetus. This is a potentially volatile subject and I feel both medical and management guidance is necessary.

Basically, our question is whether benzene exposure is harmful to females? If so, is the danger limited to females of childbearing capabilities?

Our present employment policy is one of uncertainty in regards to females. We have made no move to realign our present workforce or change our employment practices. If this issue is not expediently resolved, we could possibly expose the Baltimore plant to health liability suits.

I would be pleased to discuss this with you at your earliest convenience.


R. T. Ferrell
Acting Plant Manager

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CC:
D. L. Norwood
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