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Circular Letter
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COPY FOR MR. Dr. W. F. Mackle

TO ALL DIVISION MANAGERS

Gentlemen:

In the future it will no longer be necessary for the safety engineers to obtain samples of scale from loaded gasoline storage and mixing tanks. Our work from now on will be concerned only with the sludge samples, but it is important that as many of these as possible be shipped to our Medical Department. They should be obtained personally by the safety engineers wherever possible and as soon as feasible after the tank has been opened. These sludge samples must be taken from various parts of the tank so that the final sample is representative of material from a number of locations at the bottom of the tank. We also wish sludge samples from storage tanks that have not been used for blending but which are being cleaned; that is, as many as it is possible for our safety engineer to get to.

It is very important that we locate all spiking tanks and obtain their tank histories as soon as possible. If you discover a method whereby a number of these tanks can be quickly located, it should be reported to this office so the information can be passed on to other division. If you think of any means whereby this office can assist you through our access to the files, please do not hesitate to call upon us. Where there is some question as to whether a tank has been spiked, it should be placarded with the metal warning sign and tank history furnished, indicating the exact extent of your suspicions concerning the possibility of having been spiked.

Until further notice, the above work is to be considered of major importance in our safety program.

Very truly yours,

J. C. Taylor

By E. B. Lewis

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