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**Vinyl Chloride Monomer -
B. F. Goodrich**

Salvadore Lio - 5300

Enclased are copies of the Wall Street Journal article and the B. F. Goodrich newsrelease concerning the vinyl chloride monomer situation.

I have also enclosed a copy of an MCA new release dated last June which indicates that the American producers had started an epidemiology study of workers in U. S. plants as well as an extensive animal testing program. The latter was to provide data which would confirm or deny animal experimental data from Italy published in 1971 that indicated animals exposed to extremely high vapor concentrations of VCM developed in unexpected incidents of lung tumors.

There is a meeting today of U. S. producers in Washington with Dr. Kelly's associate, Dr. Roush, attending for Monsanto. We should have more information to forward to you next week.

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