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Mr. Charles D. Goldstein
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Dear Mr. Goldstein:

Through Mr. Mulshine of Imco you asked for comments on studies conducted by a Dr. P. O. Viola. We have seen Dr. Viola's paper on vinyl chloride. We believe his work suggests the need for further studies in this area and we understand the MCA is considering the support of such work. However, regardless of what conclusions may ultimately come from this work, it is our opinion that no threat to the availability of PVC will result since we believe safe means of manufacture for both PVC and vinyl chloride are available. Further, we see no hazard to our PVC customers because vinyl chloride is present in PVC in trace amounts at most (usually undetectable). Further, if decomposition of the PVC is incurred in processing, vinyl chloride is not formed as a decomposition product.

Very truly yours,

C. W. Montgomery
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General Manager

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bcc: F. M. Beaird - *cc sent*
R. F. Sands - KC
M. J. Mulshine

R. F. Sands should release if F. P. Warne approves. *cc sent with attachments*

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