

September 30, 1963

Mr. John J. Surrette, General Manager
The Surrette Storage Battery Company, Inc.
Jefferson Avenue
Salem, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Surrette:

I shall make every effort to provide the proper person in your organization with useful information concerning the handling of the hygienic problems in your plant in Nova Scotia. I think, however, I should be deceiving you, and myself as well, if I were simply to reply solely to the questions which you have asked. This question and its answer have very little to do with the safety of your Company's employees. The matter is much more complex, and yet simpler and more direct in its practical aspects, than your letter implies.

I would presume that you have a physician in some relation to your organization, who can exercise judgment and direct your Company's policies in hygienic matters. (If you do not have such a person, you should not, in this period of American industrial life, be in this hazardous business.) I shall be pleased to provide the necessary information to the person or group to whom you have delegated medical responsibility if you will put him (or them) in touch with me.

Very truly yours,

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Robert A. Kehoe, M.D.

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