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DATE : September 26 1979

cc: R. L. Wasson
J. D. Wilson

SUBJECT : RENEWED CONCERN ABOUT CHLORODIBENZO-FURANS IN THE ENVIRONMENT

REFERENCE :

TO : C. F. Callis
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R. A. Stohr
J. C. Weber

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B/U for meeting

Confirming my phone conversations with each of you, Clayton asked me to arrange a session for us to discuss potential implications to MIC of the recent reported detection of chlorodibenzofurans in the environment. The meeting will be at 1:00 p.m., October 3, in B-270.

I suggest our agenda include discussions of:

- Validity of reports
- What we know about our products/processes
- Implications
- Need for action (analysis, monitoring, basic research)

Dr. David Stalling reported at the recent ACS meeting that he had detected tetra-heptadichlorodibenzofurans in fish from five U.S. locations. He implied these materials probably originated from PCBs.

Another paper by Christoffer Rappe reported finding chlorinated dibenzodioxins and dibenzofurans as combustion products from incineration.

An abstract of Stalling's paper, articles from two chemical newsletters and two clippings from the Washington Post are attached for your reference.

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Attachments

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