



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION VI
1201 ELM STREET
DALLAS, TEXAS 75270

14 JUL 1982

CERTIFIED MAIL: RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED (P 333 854 203)

Mr. William J. Peard
Manager, Environmental Control
PPG Industries, Inc.
P.O. Box 1000
Lake Charles, Louisiana 70602

Re: LA0000761

Dear Mr. Peard:

It has come to our attention that an excursion(s) from the effluent limitations in the above referenced permit occurred at your facility as follows:

<u>Outfall</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Reported Discharges</u>	<u>Permit Limit</u>
001	5-9-82	pH, max.	9.1 .su.	9.0 s.u.
010/018/118	5-13-82	Chlorinated Hydrocarbons, max.	1884 lbs/day**	1368 lbs/.day
018/118	5-11-82	TOC, max.	2929 lbs/day	2600 lbs/day
018/118	5-13-82	TOC, max.	3070 lbs/day	2600 lbs/day
017	5-18-82	Lead, max.	25.6 lbs/day**	10.1 lbs/day

** "upset" claimed for these excursions.

Your facility must take whatever remedial action is necessary to prevent the recurrence of this type of noncompliance.

A report of the above exceedence(s) will be placed in your file and will be used in our determination of the appropriate action to be taken in the future.

We do not intend to make a decision as to whether or not the parameter exceedance in question qualifies as an "upset" under 40 CFR 122.60(h), unless we decide to pursue enforcement action. If in the future enforcement action is taken, you may then maintain your claim for excursions qualifying as "upsets", provided you have fulfilled the requirements of 40 CFR 122.60(h).

If you have any questions on this matter please contact Mr. M. S. Ramesh at the above address or telephone (214) 767-4375.

Sincerely,

James T. Highland
for Jack V. Ferguson, Chief
Compliance Section (6W-EC)

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cc: Mr. J. Dale Givens
Louisiana Department of Natural Resources

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