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- The proposed incidental PCB manufacturing rule was published in the December Federal Register. The rule is essentially comprised of the "consensus rule" proposed by environmental and industry groups. Monsanto had a significant input into the rule. However, some comments and statements for the record are vitally needed to preserve our rights to future challenges of EPA methodology and conclusions. The comment period is rather short (60 days) and closes February 6. Hearings are scheduled February 21 and 22 in Washington. The sheer volume of the record will require significant effort by Monsanto, CMA and other interested parties to prepare pertinent comments in this time frame.

- The Ohio State dairy cattle study suffered a minor setback due to human error. However, the study can and will proceed with a slightly modified protocol and is capable of providing valid, useful scientific data.

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