

How many containers will be required, you and I

B.F. Goodrich

The B.F. Goodrich Company

*are measuring the cost of personnel affected by this
new procedure - when completed will
you advise Wilson and our heads*

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Dr. Paul L. Dent
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Dear Doctor Dent:

We are becoming increasingly concerned about the physiological effects of ethylene dichloride and vinylidene chloride. Both of these compounds, as you know, are currently used at the Louisville Plant.

We believe that it is essential that we perform liver function studies on all of our personnel exposed to either of these compounds. I believe you have been performing such studies locally on ethylene dichloride personnel, as outlined in my letter to Mr. Nelson of February 10, 1961. However, I would like to have the procedures modified whereby the laboratory studies will be made on blood serum by The B.F. Goodrich Department of Industrial Hygiene and Toxicology at Akron. I would like to have the serum specimens collected by you at the plant. We will supply you with the necessary containers for forwarding the serum to Akron. We will need a minimum of 3 ml. of serum. Following the collection of the blood at the plant, it should be coagulated and the cells separated. Only the serum is to be sent to Akron.

The studies are to be done on all personnel who have exposures to either ethylene dichloride or vinylidene chloride, and are to be repeated every six months. They are also to be done on all new assignees to the use of either of these compounds. If abnormalities are seen in the studies on these new assignees, then you should restrict them from exposure.

If you will advise me of the number of containers you require, we shall forward them to the plant for the collections.

Sincerely yours,

M.D.

Max H. Wilson, M.D.

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