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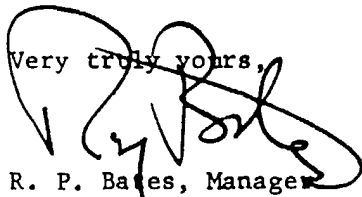
Dear Jerry:

Re: ANSI Std. Z-66.1-1973

The proposed specification looks OK, but I wonder why there is such a restriction on Antimony and its compounds. THE LD50 value is greater than 20 and its TLV value is 0.5 mg/M³. On that basis it's no more - and probably less toxic than lead compounds.

This will severely restrict the use of antimony compounds in fire retardant paints when they could be used if efficient compositions were developed.

Very truly yours,



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