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W.B. Papageorge, Manager
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Dear Mr. Papageorge:

Thank you for your letter of December 20, 1976 in which you question the role of PCB's as human carcinogens.

I assure you that NIOSH is carefully studying all the PCB data in our possession. Conclusions drawn from that data and recommendations based thereon will be made after we have consulted with representatives of both the public and private sectors. However, conclusions and recommendations made in the criteria document will be those of NIOSH and will not necessarily be those of any of the reviewers.

Sincerely yours,

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