

British Consulate,
Detroit, Michigan,
27th Jan. 1943.

Dear Dr. Kehoe,

I enclose herein the letter which
I read to you over the telephone. I have added
our telephone number in case you wish to telephone
me at any time. If you wish to do so, please
reverse the charges.

Yours sincerely,

by i.T.H. Cane

(Cyril H.C. Cane)
H.B.M. Consul.

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Special Delivery



British Consulate,
Detroit, Michigan,
23rd January, 1943.

Dear Dr. Kehoe,

As British Consul for the States of Michigan and Ohio, I have received an official telegram from London from a Mr. Bevan of the Associated Ethyl Company who is, I gather, connected with the Ministry of Fuel.

The telegram expresses:

1. Thanks for your cable of January 14th and for the details you sent then. Mr. Bevan goes on to state that only lead gasoline will be available in future in certain countries unless special arrangements are made to provide supplies of unleaded gasoline for heating, lighting and conveying, etc.
2. He expresses the opinion that it will not be easy to make provision for suitable quantities of unleaded material because of the transportation and storage difficulties caused by present situation.
3. Because of the statements contained in paragraphs numbered 1 and 2, Mr. Bevan asks that you discuss this problem on his behalf with those American companies who are taking part in the export markets concerned particularly Socony, Caltex, and Standard Vacuum. He also asks that you be kind enough to arrange for them to issue such instructions to their field staff as you may agree with them notifying him of the action taken.
4. He goes on to say that the use of leaded gasoline by armed forces for conveying purposes also presents a problem which must be dealt with promptly, and he is sure that you will appreciate that under certain conditions of field operation it may be impossible to maintain/

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maintain a special supply of unleaded gasoline for conveying purposes. He doubts whether the filtration method outlined in Mr. Scheafer's cable to him of January 12th will do much to overcome this difficulty as it is, according to him, obviously impossible to consider heating of adsorbent relates under proper conditions of use or to guarantee that adequate supplies of adsorbent will be available to obtain required quantities of unleaded fuel at the right time and place (I hope that this last sentence will be clear to you but the telegram was mutilated and very difficult to decypher).

5. Mr. Bevan would appreciate you informing him what instructions, if any, have been issued by your own authorities to the U.S. Forces on this matter since they are unobtainable from U.S. sources in London.

6. London is anxious to inform the British authorities regarding precautions which should be taken and they believe a second practice is desirable.

7. He considers it important that the position should be clarified and proper instructions issued at the earliest possible date and he would, therefore, appreciate hearing from you regarding this aspect of the situation as soon as possible.

8. He requests that you reply through me.

That is the entire message and as I found that you were in New York after having telephoned Cincinnati, I have taken the liberty of sending this to you. I shall be most grateful if you will forward to me your reply at this address:

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I shall, of course, transmit it at once by telegram to Mr. Bevan.

Yours very truly,

by J.W. J. and

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