



CHEMICAL MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION

June 19, 1995

Henry Robinson
Director and State Registrar
Division of Vital Records
Arkansas Department of Health
Division of Vital Records, Slot 44
Little Rock, AR 72205

Dear Mr. Robinson:

A signed agreement to maintain confidentiality of vital records is enclosed. At this time, CMA is seeking your permission to transfer the previous records, 1942-1982, from ENSR to Applied Epidemiology Inc. An NDI Application to update the Vinyl Chloride Epidemiology Study from 1983-1992 has been submitted to the National Center for Health Statistics.

Upon receipt of the NDI file search results, a request for death certificates along with the appropriate fees will be sent to you. Meanwhile, your return of the enclosed signed release form will help our new contractor, AEI, to begin reformatting the previous data.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call me at (202) 887-1192. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Hasmukh Shah".

Hasmukh C. Shah, Ph.D.
Manager, Vinyl Chloride Panel

Enclosures

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

RESEARCH STUDY INVOLVING VITAL RECORDS INFORMATION

NAME OF AGENCY REQUESTING DATA:

Chemical Manufacturers Association
2501 M St. NW
Washington, DC 20037

NAME OF STUDY PROJECT:

An Update of the Epidemiologic Mortality Study of Vinyl Chloride Workers

PURPOSE:

Mortality in the industry-wide cohort of vinyl chloride workers has previously been updated through 1982. Updating the study through 1992 will allow a number of important scientific questions regarding human exposure to vinyl chloride to be addressed.

INVESTIGATOR OR CONTACT PERSON:

Kenneth Mundt, Ph.D.
Applied Epidemiology
P.O. Box 2424
Amherst, MA 01004 Ph. (413) 256-3556

ACTION PLANNED WITH DATA REQUESTED:

Statistical analysis of date- and cause-of-death data will be performed. Results will be reported without use of individual identifying information. No follow-back contents will be made.

FEES: BIRTH, MARRIAGE, DIVORCE: \$5.00 per search
DEATH, FETAL DEATH: \$4.00 per search

CONDITIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT:

All Vital Records are confidential and are to only be used for statistical research. No follow-back or identifying information shall be released without the consent of the State Registrar's office.

I agree to be governed by the above conditions of this agreement.

Hamukh Shah

Authorized Agent

June 19, 1995

Date

Authorization to release requested birth/death certificates to:

Applied Epidemiology, Inc., Amherst, MA (contractor to the

Chemical Manufacturers Association, Washington, DC)

is granted.

Henry C. Robinson, Jr.
Director and State Registrar
Division of Vital Records

Date

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TO: Jonathan Ramlow

PH.D

FROM: Henry Robinson

DATE: 4-17-95 TIME: 10:52

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MESSAGE: Please fill
out the agreement
form and fax to
me.

FAX: 661-2717

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