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Att'n. Of: Mr. R. W. Sullivan

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PRODUCT SAFE

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Attached you will find the recommended form of the new KRYSTALTITE Product Safety Bulletin and associated letters of transmittal to distributors and customers of KRYSTALTITE PVC films. These bulletins along with our Technical Bulletins are to be sent routinely to our distributors and customers at your earliest opportunity. The Product Safety Bulletin was reviewed with and approved by Messrs. Charm, West, Plantamura, Manning and Biba. As new information develops, the bulletin should be updated and revised. Please keep me informed of any questions that arise as a consequence of the receipt by customers of the bulletin.

J. B. CHARM

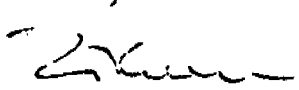
Also attached is a letter to Mr. Tom Balchin to respond to Mr. Bolla's inquiry of September 22, 1977 which was reviewed and approved by Mr. West. I recommend that all inquiries of this type be handled in a similar fashion but request that Mr. West and I be notified as soon as the inquiry is received.

I appreciate the effort you and Karl Ninnemann put into producing the Product Safety Bulletin.

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Attachment

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Total Product Responsibility
begins to take hold in Fibers Div.
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PRODUCT SAFETY BULLETIN
OF
KRYSTALTITE® PVC SHRINK FILM

Allied Chemical Corporation
Plastic Film Department
P.O. Box 1057R
Morristown, NJ 07960

November 14, 1977

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OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

(OSHA)

Background

Vinyl chloride is a chlorinated hydrocarbon and is a gas at ambient temperatures. It has been produced in this country since 1939, and present production is in excess of seven billion pounds per year. Vinyl chloride is reacted to form polyvinyl chloride resin, more commonly known as PVC or "vinyl".

PVC Resin is a solid from which many products are made, such as floor covering, pipe, siding, shower curtains, upholstery materials, etc.

PVC Film, such as KRYSTALTITE[®], is one of the very many products made from PVC resin.

KRYSTALTITE[®] PVC Films are used in food and industrial applications.

Vinyl Chloride Standard

On October 1, 1974, after many months of deliberation OSHA issued a standard for the control of worker exposure to vinyl chloride and polyvinyl chloride in those operations where vinyl chloride is manufactured or handled, reacted to form the PVC resin, and the resin is packaged, repackaged, handled and mass melted as in film extrusion. The current standard does not apply to the handling or use of fabricated products made from PVC because vinyl chloride was not found by the government to be present in these operations. Fabricated products are those products including film made from polyvinyl chloride which do not require further processing at temperatures, and for times, sufficient to cause mass melting of PVC resulting in release of vinyl chloride.

The KRYSTALTITE[®] film manufacturing plant of the Plastic Film Department at Pottsville, Pennsylvania, is in compliance with current OSHA standards.

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

(FDA)

Certain KRYSTALTITE® PVC flexible plasticized films may be used for food handling and packaging uses in accordance with current applicable requirements of the U. S. Food and Drug Administration. These flexible films are produced from a polyvinyl chloride basic resin having the volatility and inherent viscosity of resin for which the Food and Drug Administration recognizes a prior sanction for food contact use. Additives combined with this resin in the manufacture of KRYSTALTITE® Film are permitted by current applicable statute and/or regulation.

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CONCLUSIONS

We hope that this information will help to ensure the proper use of KRYSTALTITE® PVC shrink films. If you have any other questions concerning the use of KRYSTALTITE® PVC shrink film, we will be pleased to discuss them with you. Please direct your inquiries to:

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TO DISTRIBUTORS

Dear _____:

This material is being sent to you in keeping with Allied Chemical's policy of providing relevant information on our products.

Enclosed you will find additional copies of our Krystaltite bulletins which were sent to you earlier this year and which contain pertinent information on heat sealing and scrap disposal procedures for PVC film. We request that you mail them to your Krystaltite customers and suggest using the format of the attached letter. If you require additional copies of the bulletins, please let us know.

Very truly yours,

R. W. Sullivan

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Mr. Tom Blachin

etc.

Dear Mr. Balchin:

I have been advised by Mr. John Bolla of Trio Packaging that you are concerned that there may be some hazards associated with the use of PVC shrink film in your operations. I believe the attached Product Safety Bulletin and Technical Bulletins, may be of use in answering your questions.

As noted in the attached bulletins, our film manufacturing operations at Pottsville, PA are subject to and in compliance with current applicable OSHA regulations. Although we believe that OSHA regulations do not apply to your operations which use our films, if you have any specific questions we will be glad to discuss our procedures with you.

Very truly yours,

R. W. Sullivan