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Gentlemen:

I am writing this same letter to each of you. I have talked with some of you and you have indicated the other persons within your own organizations who should be present.

As per these telephoned conversations, I am inviting each of, you to some to Midland to discuss the toxicological problems caused by the presence of certain highly toxic impurities in certain samples of 2,4,5-trichlorophenol and related materials.

As I told all of you with whom I have talked, we have been doing analytical and toxicological research on this problem and wish to share our findings to date with all the producers of 2,4,5-trichlorophenol for the sole purpose of lessening any hazards to health that might be attributed to this and related products.

Our discussions will deal only with the toxicological and analytical aspects of the problem. We will not discuss manufacturing know-now, sales, or anything else not dealing with the problems of health.

It is our hope that through this meeting, we will acquire a better understanding of the problem and that each company

will then proceed independently as it sees fit to institute such self-imposed controls on its production as are necessary to insure the safety of its products.

Enclosed is a copy of an analytical method our Analytical laboratory has developed. Perhaps you would like to have your analysts look it over before coming here. Cur analyst will be available to discuss the method with you.

I have reserved a room for each of you at the Midland Country Club for the night of March 23, 1965. When you arrive at the airport serving Midland, Bay City and Saginaw, get the Midland limousine and it will take you directly to the Country Club.

I suggest that we all meet in the lobby at 7:30 A.M. for break-fast and then we will come to our laboratory for our discussions.

I believe we can complete our discussions by lunch time so that reservations for your return trips can be made for any time after lunch.

If any of you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely yours,

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