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RE: TSCA 8(e) Submission- HMP-2000 (Sodium dimethyldithiocarbamate)

Dear Sir/Madam:

Attached please find a copy of a TSCA 8(e) submission that was sent to Mr. Tony Silvasi, E.P.A. Region V, TSCA Division. Feel free to contact me at (317) 898-8632, if you should have any questions or require additional information.



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Respectfully Submitted,

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Mr. Tony Silvasi
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RE: TSCA 8(e) Submission- HMP-2000 (Sodium dimethyldithiocarbamate)

Dear Mr. Silvasi:

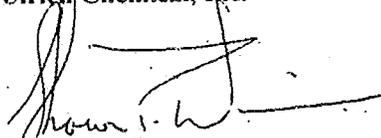
This letter and subsequent TSCA report is in regards to our conversation on January 21, 2000. The initial phone contact by Ulrich and subsequent report are in accordance with Section 8(e) of the TSCA regulations. Ulrich has been assisting multiple agencies, including the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) and Department of Natural Resources, in the on-going investigation of a fish kill on the White River that extends from Anderson to Indianapolis, Indiana. One of the aspects of the investigation has focused on the chemical sodium dimethyldithiocarbamate (CAS # 128-04-1), of which, Ulrich Chemical distributes to Guide Corporation. Ulrich purchases sodium dimethyldithiocarbamate from Buckman Labs and relabels the product as HMP-2000. On January 19, Ulrich contacted Mit Denny (IDEM) to determine if the agency has or was going to make an allegation concerning the chemical in question that would then require a TSCA report to be filed. According to Mr. Denny, at this time, the agency was still in the investigative phase and no allegations concerning the chemical would be forthcoming. On January 19, 2000, Ulrich obtained a letter from IDEM that was sent to all sodium dimethyldithiocarbamate users in the state of Indiana (See Attached). This letter was not sent directly to Ulrich Chemical, but was obtained by Ulrich personnel from a customer. Therefore, even though Ulrich was not contacted directly by the agency, we are interpreting this letter from the IDEM as an allegation that sodium dimethyldithiocarbamate was a contributing factor in the fish kill. Subsequently



Ulrich Chemical, Inc. submits the attached incident report in accordance with Section 8(e) of the TSCA and EPA's statement of Interpretation and Enforcement Policy, 48 Fed. Reg., 11110 (March 16, 1978). Feel free to contact me at (317) 898-8632, if you should have any questions or require additional information.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ulrich Chemical, Inc.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shawn P. Wiram", written over a horizontal line.

Shawn P. Wiram
Environmental Services Director

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TSCA 8(e) TRANSMITTAL DOCUMENT

1. Name & Address of Submitter:

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2. Regulatory Action in Support of Which this Package is Submitted:

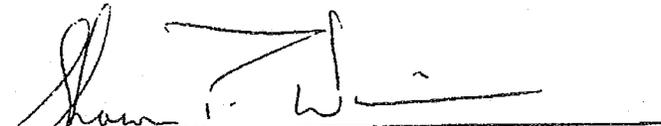
TSCA 8(e)
Product Name: HMP-2000
Chemical Name: Sodium dimethyldithiocarbamate
CAS #:

3. Transmittal Date: January 24, 2000

4. Summary of Data Submitted: Alleged environmental adverse effects

5. Estimate of Risk Involved: Not Determined

Company Official:



Shawn P. Wiram
Environmental Services Director

Company Name: Ulrich Chemical, Inc.

Company Contact: Shawn P. Wiram

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To: Environmental and Wastewater Pretreatment Coordinators

From: Lori F. Kaplan *Lori F. Kaplan*
Commissioner

Date: January 12, 2000

Subject: White River Contamination -- Investigation of Sodium Dimethyldithiocarbamate

Since December 20, 1999, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) has been working with several state and local agencies and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) to investigate a major contamination event in the White River between Anderson and Indianapolis. The contamination has resulted in a major fish kill and potentially other ecosystem impacts.

Our investigation is not complete and we have not drawn any final conclusions as to the cause of the incident.

One element of our investigation is to determine whether sodium dimethyldithiocarbamate in potentially harmful amounts was released to the Anderson wastewater treatment plant and/or White River. Sodium dimethyldithiocarbamate breaks down to a number of other chemicals, all of which are currently under review as potentially linked to the White River contamination.

Sodium dimethyldithiocarbamate is used as a precipitate for metals in industrial wastewater pretreatment systems.

While the White River contamination is under investigation and until the ultimate cause is determined, IDEM urges all facilities utilizing sodium dimethyldithiocarbamate to exercise caution in the handling and use of this chemical. Any significant discharge of this chemical to a sewer collection system or water body should be avoided.

In addition, potential operational problems or concerns should promptly be reported to your pretreatment authority and to IDEM.

For updates on the status of this investigation, please check IDEM's website at www.state.in.us/idem or contact the White River Response and Coordination Center at 765-648-6549 or toll-free at 888-732-1377.

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American Electroplaters and Surface Finishers Society
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