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Dear Mr. McPherson:

Enclosed is a copy of the report, "The Acute Toxicity of Parabis A and Bisphenol A to the Sheepshead Minnow, Cyprinodon variegatus" by J. A. Emmitte, which you requested and which was referred to in our submission to the ITC.

If you have any further questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY WITH CONCLUSIONS: (Include in this space references to data books, and to earlier related reports, patents and publications.)

Parabis A (p-p'-Isopropylidenediphenol) and Bisphenol A (4-4'-Isopropylidenediphenol) were tested for their acute toxicity to the sheepshead minnow, Cyprinodon variegatus. Flow-through testing involved the use of a proportional dilutor, Mount and Brungs (1967). The LC₅₀ for Parabis A and Bisphenol A is 9.4 ppm and 7.5 ppm, respectively.

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INTRODUCTION:

Parabis A (p-p'-Isopropylidenediphenol) and Bisphenol A (4-4'-Isopropylidenediphenol) was evaluated for acute toxicity to the sheepshead minnow, Cyprinodon variegatus, using a continuous flow test method. The compounds tested were Dow production samples.

Bisphenol A is manufactured and used for the production of epoxy resin. Parabis A is primarily used for the manufacture of polycarbonate resin.

FISH:

The test fish were collected from the Surfside Beach salt marsh area. Collected specimen were kept in the laboratory for at least 2 weeks prior to testing where the water temperature was maintained at 80° F. The photoperiod was set at 18L:6D. The average length and weight of the sheepshead minnow during the testing program was 3.0 centimeters and 1.3 grams.

MATERIALS AND METHODS:

Stock solutions of Parabis A and Bisphenol A were dissolved in 50 gallons of seawater and mixed in polyethylene drums. The toxicant was then pumped to a proportional dilutor, Mount and Brungs (1967). A screening test was conducted with each compound to establish a range of toxicity and a full scale continuous flow test was then run to determine the 96-hour LC₅₀. Five fish were exposed at each concentration in the preliminary screening, while 10 individuals per concentration were used in the full scale tests. The proportional factor between concentrations was .5. Samples were collected and verified every 24 hours by Liquid Chromatography. The samples were filtered with 0.5 micrometer millipore filters before injection to the Liquid Chromatograph. Identification involved the use of a substrate consisting of Partisil PXS 10-25 ODS. The eluent contained 40% acetonitrile in water. A U.V. detector was used with a wavelength of 280 nanometers.

Dissolved oxygen, pH, temperature, and chlorides were measured throughout the testing program according to Standard Methods (1971).

LETHAL CONCENTRATIONS:

Results are reported in terms of the concentration necessary to produce death to 50% of the individuals (LC₅₀) within the 96-hour exposure period. Log-probit paper was used to calculate percent mortality versus concentration.

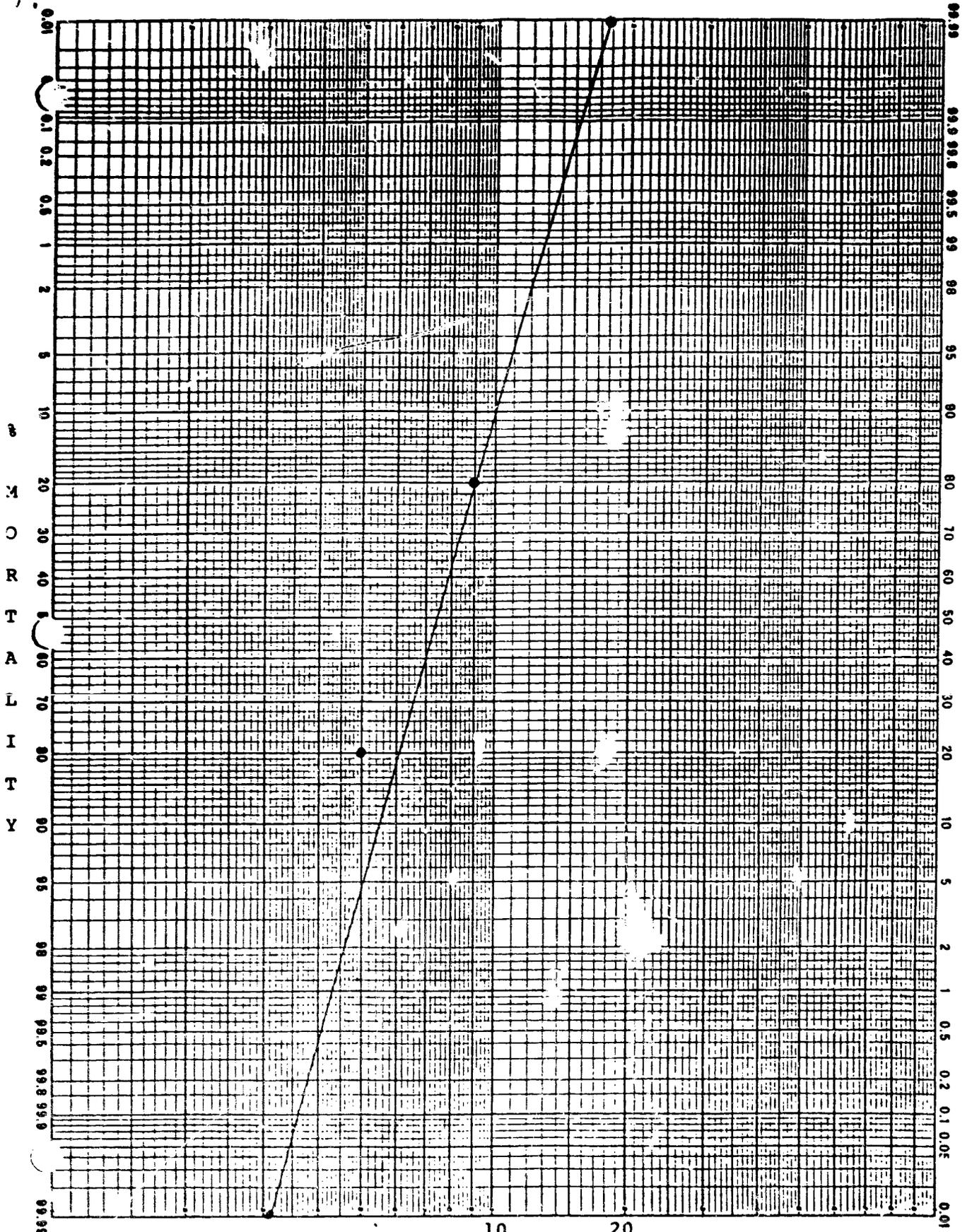
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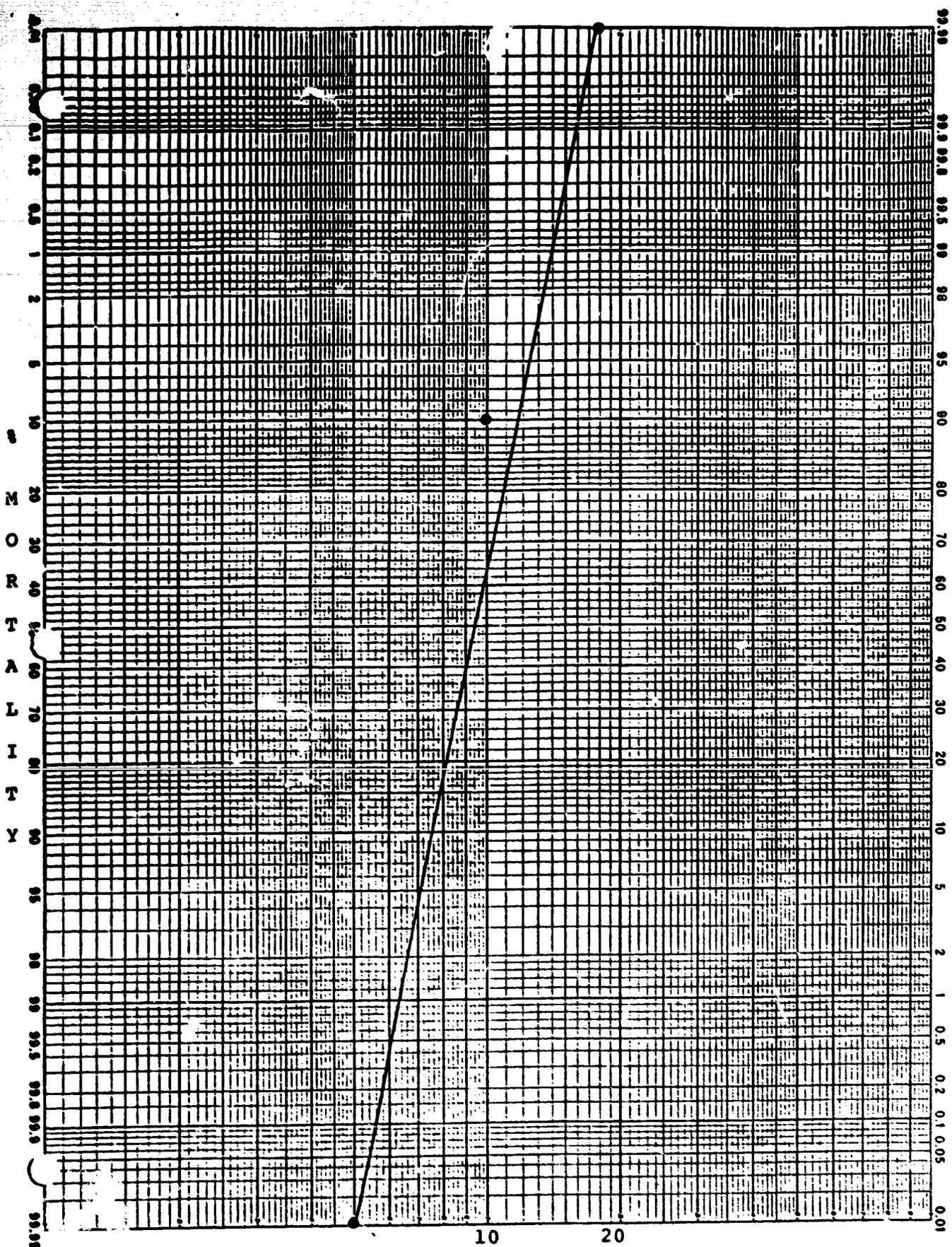
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CONCENTRATION BISPHENOL A



CONCENTRATION PARABIS A