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Mike Klein
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Dear Mr. Klein:

We understand your company continues to sell lead-containing pigments such as chrome yellow and molybdate orange for use in inks, paints, plastics, and ceramics.

That lead in paint and other products is harmful to our health is no longer controversial. Children are harmed when exposed to leaded paint, and to plastics and ceramics containing lead. Workers are harmed when exposed during the manufacture, application, and removal of products using leaded pigments.

Since over 120 countries voted unanimously in 2009 to create a global partnership to eliminate lead in paint, the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint has been working to phase out its manufacture and sale worldwide in order to protect children, workers, and everyone else.

Both the Canadian Paint and Coatings Association and the International Paint and Printing Ink Council support the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint and its goals. Can you tell us if your company does as well? Will you commit to ending the production and sale of lead-containing pigments for use in the above applications?

We would greatly appreciate a response providing this information by December 19, 2014.

Sincerely,

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