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June 10, 1975

TO: 1975 AVMA Convention Program Participants

SUBJECTS: (1) Reimbursement for 1975 convention expenses

(2) Call for papers for publication in the J.A.V.M.A.

Enclosed is a reimbursement check for the amount you have claimed for expenses related to your participation on the 1975 AVMA convention program. On behalf of AVMA's officers, Executive Board, and staff, I extend appreciation for your willingness to share your knowledge with your colleagues on this occasion.

For those veterinarians unable to attend the convention, we hope to make available in forthcoming special issues of the J.A.V.M.A. reports of convention presentations. We urge you to submit your report for one of these special issues at your earliest convenience, preferably by convention time. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

Arthur Freeman, D.V.M.

AVMA Staff Coordinator, Scientific Program

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Received from C. E. Thalken AVMA check number 555 in the amount of \$150.48 issued to cover convention speaker expense.

For the Association

AVMA 930 North Meacham Road Schaumburg, IL 60172

Gentlemen:

Find enclosed two copies of the manuscript from the oral presentation of Scientific Paper Number 81, being presented at the 112th Annual Meeting of the AVMA.

Please accept this manuscript for publication in a future issue of the JAVMA.

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Please send all correspondence to: Dr. Charles E. Thalken Qtrs 4406C

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July 29, 1975

TO:

Speakers on the AVMA Convention Program in Anaheim

SUBJECT:

(1) Informative Abstracts for J.A.V.M.A.

(2) Convention papers

Dear Doctor:

Earlier this year each convention speaker was asked to supply an abstract of his program presentation. Most speakers sent abstracts and we published them in the convention program booklet.

Now, we are asking you to review the abstract (attached) you previously sent, to revise and update it if necessary, and to make sure it tells what was done and what was learned. Avoid use of expressions such as presented, discussed, reviewed, and studies. About 200 words should be adequate. Please send us your revised abstract not later than AUGUST 20. The updated abstracts will be published in a fall issue of the JAVMA.

Also, in accordance with action taken by the House of Delegates, we will not publish a single proceedings issue as we used to do. Instead we will publish convention papers in special sections or issues of the J.A.V.M.A. devoted to the subject area concerning each report. If you have not submitted your convention manuscript yet, and want it considered for publication in the J.A.V.M.A. (with the exception of those given at the Avian Medicine section), we urge you to do so at your earliest convenience.

Arthur Freeman, D.V.M.

Scientific Program Coordinator

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19 August 1975

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AVMA Abstract

Dr. Arthur Freeman, D.V.M. Scientific Program Coordinator American Veterinary Medical Association 930 North Meacham Road Schaumburg, IL 60172

Per your letter of 29 July 1975, attached please find a revised abstract (Number 81) to be published in a fall issue of the JAVMA.

CHARLES E. THALKEN, Major, USAF, VC Associate Professor of Physiology Department of Chemistry and Physiology

1 Atch - Abstract (Number 81) Absence of TCDD Toxicity to a Rodent Population
Following Massive Field Applications of

2,4,5-T Herbicide

Charles E. Thalken DVM, MS; William E. Ward, PhD

Alvin L. Young, PhD

USAF Academy, Colorado

Field investigations were conducted on populations of beach mice, Peromyscus polionotus, and hispid cotton rats, Sigmodon hispidus from a unique 1-sq mile military test site that was sprayed with 160,948 pounds of active ingredient 2,4,5-trichlorophenoxyacetic acid herbicide (2,4,5-T). Significant levels (10-710 parts per trillion - ppt) of the contaminant 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin (TCDD) were found within the top six inches of test site soils although ten years had elapsed since the last aerial application of 2,4,5-T. Liver tissue from rodents inhabiting the test site contained 210-1,300% ppt TCDD. However, no gross or histological evidence of teratogenesis or toxicity was found in 122 adults and 87 fetuses. An analysis of variance of liver and spleen weights for the beach mouse indicated significant differences between control and TCDD-exposed animals. Analysis of plant seeds revealed no detectable levels of TCDD (minimum detection limit of 1 ppt TCDD). TCDD accumulation in liver tissue was thought to be associated with pelt contamination from burrowing and subsequent ingestion of soil particles via grooming.

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The authors concluded that the feeding of chlortetracycline to calves significantly complicated the clinical occurrence of *S typhimurium* infections, increased the magnitude of the salmonella reservoir in nature, and thus increased the risk of exposure to people and lower animals alike.

(78) Carcinogenesis Testing of Chlorinated Compounds Present in the Environment

Norbert P. Page, DVM, MS, and Cipriano Cueto, Jr., PhD Bethesda, Maryland

The great strides in chemical technology have not been without associated risks to our health and environment. Scientists estimate that 75 to 90% of all cancers are related to environmental factors. Several classes of chemicals have shown carcinogenic activity, e.g., nitrosamines, polycyclic hydrocarbons, and aromatic amines.

Chlorinated chemicals are of current concern. Recent evidence in man confirms the carcinogenicity of vinyl

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