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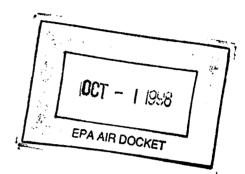
George E. Meyer Secretary

June 22, 1994

Kevin O'Brien Memphis and Shelby Co. Health Dept. 814 Jefferson Avenue, #438 Memphis, TN 38105

SUBJECT: Fleischmann's Yeast

Dear Mr. O'Brien:



The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the United States Environmental Protection Agency are developing national emission standards (NESHAP) for acetaldehyde emissions from baker's yeast manufacturers. This is a pilot project designed to demonstrate how the US E.P.A. and state agencies can work together in setting these standards.

Currently, we are in the process of determining which five facilities have the lowest emission rate of acetaldehyde per ton of yeast produced. I suspect that the Fleishmanns yeast facility in Memphis will be one of the top five facilities with the lowest emission rates of acetaldehyde. The average emission rates of these five facilities will be the starting point for establishing the emission standard.

Please mail or fax me the following information for each emission unit at the Fleischmann's yeast manufacturing facility in Memphis. If the information is organized by something other than emission units, please let me know.

- 1) Total amount of yeast (by variety) produced last year (or most recent year on record). Please indicate moisture content if reporting other than liquid yeast at 30% solids.
- 2) Total acetaldehyde emissions last year (or most recent year on record).
- 3) Any stack test results you may have on acetaldehyde emissions. Please indicate the test method with the results.
- 4) Total VOC emissions last year (or most recent year on record; expressed as total carbon, propane, or ethanol).



I understand you may be constrained from releasing production information. I would be using production information to develop emission factors for this facility so I can compare it to others and determine which have the lowest emission rate. If you cannot release production information, perhaps you could calculate the emission factors for acetaldehyde and VOCs (in pounds per ton of yeast produced, noting moisture content of the yeast) and send me those emission factors.

Thank you for your help. If you have any questions, please call me at 608-266-1201.

Sincerely,

Roger A. Fritz, Engineer Bureau of Air Management

cc: Bill Sprotts