

consumer mailbag

I work in a factory that uses several different chemicals. I am pregnant and worried about exposure. I also want to keep my job. Who should I ask about possible risks?
Maryanne W., Garden City

Call your local poison control center. For the location and telephone number check the emergency listings inside the white or yellow pages of your phone book. You can also check with the local medical society.

Parents have known about poison centers for years. They realize that

calling a poison center when their child ingests some household product could save the child's life.

But the role of the poison center has expanded, and now industry is beginning to realize that working in cooperation with the National Poison Center Network could save the lives of consumers and employees.

More and more centers are dealing with questions about occupational exposure to chemicals, industrial accidents and spills, drug abuse and consumer issues.

What is Global 2000?

Norm B. Southfield is an interagency study undertaken in 1977 at the request of then President Carter, which projects population, resource and environment trends if policies continue as in the past.

The picture painted by the report was none too favorable, and there is a significant amount of activity directed toward the formulation of concrete policies and actions to correct the unappetizing global picture. For an 11-page summary of the Global 2000, write to Ger-

ald Winegrad, Global 2000 Citizen's Committee, 1725 "E" Street, N.W., Suite 600, Washington, DC 20006.

ECO-TIP: Don't forget your local Cooperative Extension Service is a valuable resource. They offer free information on gardening, lawn care, insect control, food safety, home canning and much much more. Look for them in your telephone directory.

Consumer Mailbag answers your questions on consumer and environmental topics. Address mail to Grace R. Gluskin, Concern, Inc., Detroit, 1 Northfield Plaza, Troy 48068.

volunteers

The Oakland County Volunteer Bureau, a program of the Volunteer Action Center of United Community Services, has weekly listings of volunteer opportunities. Further information about these and other volunteer needs at more than 200 agencies may be obtained by calling the bureau at 642-7272. Any non-profit volunteer organization needing volunteer assistance also may call the bureau.

VOLUNTEERS — St. Joseph Mercy

Hospital in Pontiac is in need of volunteers to help at nurses' stations, in the intensive care unit and in the gift shop and to circulate the bookmobile and service cart. Training is provided.

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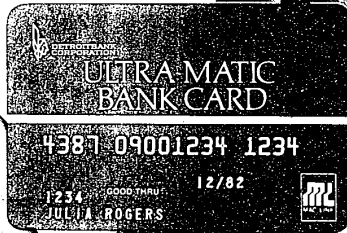


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