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August 12, 2002

**VIA FACSIMILE AND  
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Jonathan G. Katz, Secretary  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
450 Fifth Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20549-0609

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Re: Securities and Exchange Commission File No. 4-460:  
Order Requiring the Filing of Sworn Statements Pursuant to  
Section 21(a)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Dear Mr. Katz:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission in accordance with the Order referenced above are executed originals of the statements under oath of Christopher M. Connor, Chief Executive Officer, and Sean P. Hennessy, Chief Financial Officer, of The Sherwin-Williams Company regarding facts and circumstances relating to Exchange Act filings, each in the form of Exhibit A to the Order.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter and the statements by stamping and returning the enclosed copy of this letter in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (216) 566-2478.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Legenza  
Associate General Counsel

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Enclosures

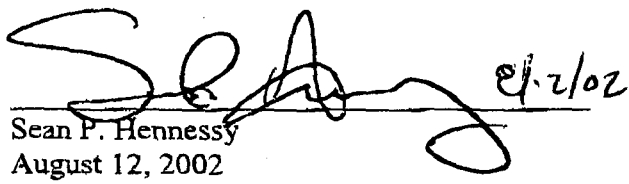
cc: C. Connor  
S. Hennessy

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**STATEMENT UNDER OATH OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND  
PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER REGARDING FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES  
RELATING TO EXCHANGE ACT FILINGS**

I, Sean P. Hennessy, state and attest that:

- (1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of The Sherwin-Williams Company, and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:
  - no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
  - no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).
- (2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's audit committee.
- (3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":
  - Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001 of The Sherwin-Williams Company;
  - all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of The Sherwin-Williams Company filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
  - any amendments to any of the foregoing.

  
 Sean P. Hennessy  
 August 12, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to  
 before me this 12th day of  
 August, 2002.

  
 Notary Public

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My Commission Expires:

**RICHARD A. LEGENZA, ATTORNEY**  
 Notary Public, State of Ohio  
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Section 147.05 R.C.