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Strong growth in demand for propylene and its derivatives in West Europe, Japan and the United States. This is apparent deficit in imports of propylene. Hardly any imports of propylene from the U.S. and Japan are available at present. On the other hand which is apparent that there is a great shortage of imports of propylene from Europe. Therefore, it is difficult to find a production of propylene. The production has been limited by various import restrictions, and so there is deviation of propylene substituted for propylene and propylene derivatives can be used mainly.

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Recent articles in various trade publications have stated that propylene is short in Western Europe, Japan and in the United States. It, therefore, seems appropriate to examine the propylene picture, based upon the near term market and information available to date.

Before entering upon an analysis today, the market/ticker should be examined to determine the nature of current market conditions. We assume as absolute, that propylene derivatives are growing at such a rapid rate, it is impossible to attain figures accurate with great accuracy. In addition, since derivatives are produced by different companies, variations in process conditions could lead to possible errors in calculations. Overall, propylene is produced by companies and markets dependent upon production requirements of their products. Raw materials and local economic conditions lead to rather variable production and ultimate analyses.

Therefore, the market/ticker should not be taken as absolute but look at them as regional trends which give an overall view of a market supply, demand, vicinity, its problems and possible solutions.

This discussion will cover three major propylene consuming areas in the world: the United States, Western Europe and Japan. These areas are estimated to be producing approximately 70% of the free world's propylene.

United States - Rich

The United States propylene market differs from both the western European and Japanese markets in that more propylene is consumed for gasoline than is used for chemicals while petroleum refineries are the major source for propylene (Figure 1).

Before looking at its future, let us first examine what has happened to propylene since 1966.

While Western Europe's demand for propylene will grow rapidly in the 1970's, supply could keep up with demand to yield an overall balanced but tight market picture. However, traces of surplus or deficit could occur.

Until the effects of propylene demand factors become apparent by 1975-76, varying types of market picture could exist. A possible relief factor could be the availability of firm imports.

The propylene production capacity around the world currently found in the 1970's will increase through the early 1980's. In 1975, possible output will be around 10.6 million metric tons, which is expected to be 10% in excess. Under market-contracting conditions and stronger regulation than previously, the 1975 surplus could be lowered and in 1980 shortage could arise.

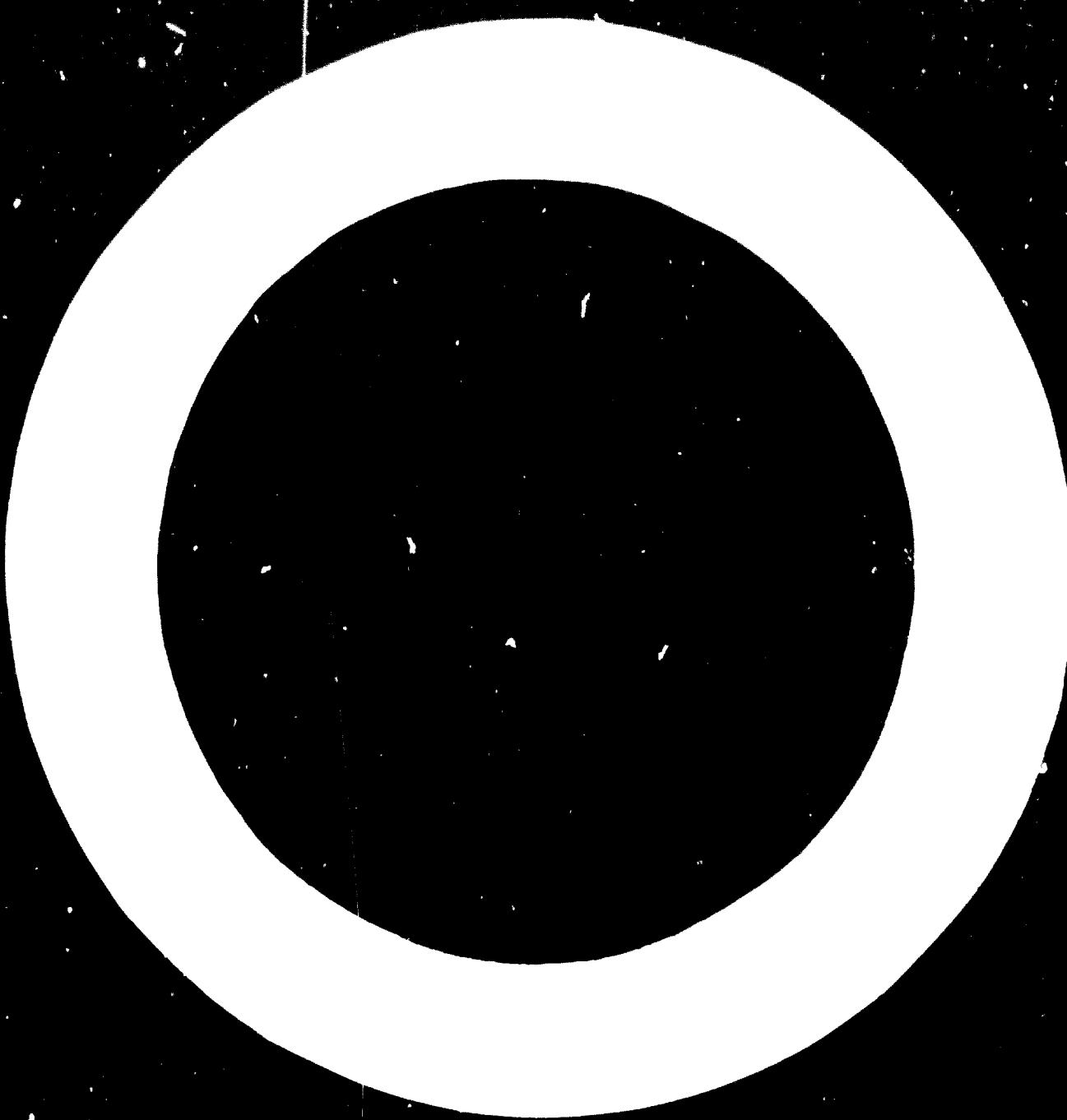
In the area of propylene supply, let us look at the U.S. refinery. The major source of propylene is catalytic cracking with minor quantities (less than 5% of total) from other refining processes. Figure 2 (U.S. catalytic cracking capacity since 1960 on a total feed basis) shows a rapid growth in capacity in the early 1960's, a leveling off in installed capacity in the 1965-1970 period (the time period when the zeolite catalysts were being introduced), and capacity then increasing at a slow rate through 1970. The adoption of the zeolite catalyst thus allowed the U.S. refiner to increase conversion levels and increase production, therefore eliminating the near term need to increase cracking capacity.

Because use of zeolite catalyst permits higher conversion levels, additional propylene is now produced in U.S. refineries from catalytic cracking, in spite of little additional capacity increases.

Of interest is the dotted line in Figure 2 which represents (on a total feed basis) the Oil and Gas Journal's estimate of capacity which might have been installed if zeolite catalysts had not been utilized.

The other source of propylene - that from ethylene units - has not lived up to earlier expectations. Emphasis on heavier feedstock utilization coupled with lower propane usage resulted in less propylene production from ethylene units than had been anticipated.

Let us now examine propylene demand 1966-1970. In the chemical area, we now see that earlier U.S. forecasts were quite conservative. This was due to more rapid growth than anticipated in such major propylene derivatives as polypropylene, acrylonitrile and propylene oxide. In the refinery area, there has been a strong demand for propylene for motor alkylates. As earlier anticipated, propylene use for polymer gasoline continues to drop yearly. Table I



3. Propylene

The tabulation of polymer baseline capacity (only two units shipped) is adjusted to produce gaseoline (gasoline, benzene, toluene, xylene) at the rate of 100,000 bbls/d. This is based on the present demand for conventional U.S. #2 gasoline which is about 1.5 MM tons/year. It is assumed that propylene will be shipped in liquid form at 100,000 bbls/d. The projected growth is shown in Table II.

Propylene supply-demand for the years 1966-1970 is summarized in Table I. During the 1966-1970 period demand is based on propylene (ethylene + propylene) product usage of octane, trimethylpentane) as seen from the 1966 CECI tonnage data and at 1.5 MM tons/yr, assuming growth of 10% /year.

Defining the propylene market demand tonnage as the total amount required to supply 100,000 bbls/d of gasoline, benzene, toluene, xylene, and toluene-xylene, then the market demand is the demand plus the total shutdown volume of propylene which is formed by shutdowns of plant or facility interruptions. Typical experience is:

In total, propylene shutdowns average from none to 0.5 MM tons. In fact, the recent 0.5 MM tons in 1966 would grow to almost 10 MM tons in 1970.

Propylene supply-demand estimates are shown in Table II. It is noted that supply would be 1.5 MM tons by 1970, but only 1.2 MM tons in 1966 and is anticipated to increase to 1.5 MM tons in 1970.

A range is used because it is impossible to know exact conversion levels in the operating conditions of other refineries.

Propylene demand/trend is shown as increasing from 1 MM tons in 1966 to 1.6 MM tons by 1970.

Total propylene supply, optimistically adjusted to production losses, is about 1.3 MM tons in 1966, 1.7 MM tons in 1970 and may reach some 2.0 MM



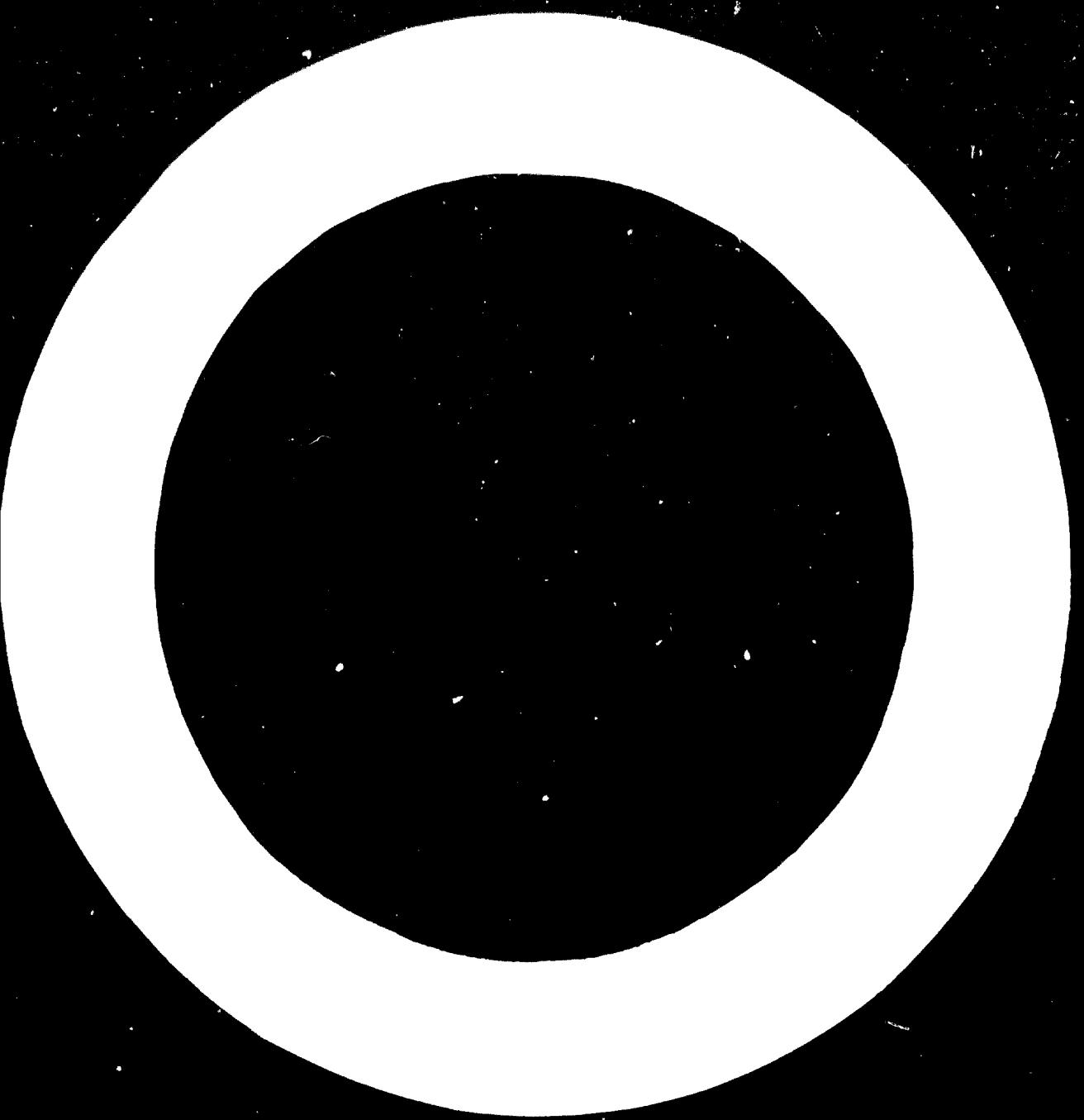
in 1970.

Overall, Table II shows that there had been a slight market increase in 1970, with a possible deficit of propylene occurring in 1970. Considering demand will continue to increase, due to market growth (which is a major factor) the market will remain deficient. Let us now look forward to 1980 to see what the 1970 figures tell us about propylene supply-demand.

An estimate of propylene demand over the decade is shown in Fig. 1. It is seen that propylene demand is increasing, which increased about 1.7% annually from 1970 until it reached 4.71 ton between 1970 and 1980, with a growth rate of 3.7%. Growth in such a major propylene derivative supply like glycidyl nitrate and propylene oxide are highly probable at 3.7% and.

Propylene demand in 1970 was 3.65, which is projected to have grown to 4.000 tons in the 1970-1980 period, an expected increment of 10.5% of total propylene, and marginally more is improbable, although it seems polymerization capacity dropping as oligo-aliquation increases.

Overall, we anticipate that propylene demand from chemicals will increase from 3.65 to 4.000 tons in 1970 to 1980 tons by 10.5% by 1980. The latter figure can occur as the demand for existing propylene will likely in the 1970-1980 period, due to the foreseeable future, refining catalytic cracking to meet the major source of propylene, currently C_3 off-gas, catalytic cracking, mainly fluid catalytic cracking. Estimated total propane production at one could be virtually nonexistent by the mid-1980s. Fluid catalytic cracking capacity is once again increasing



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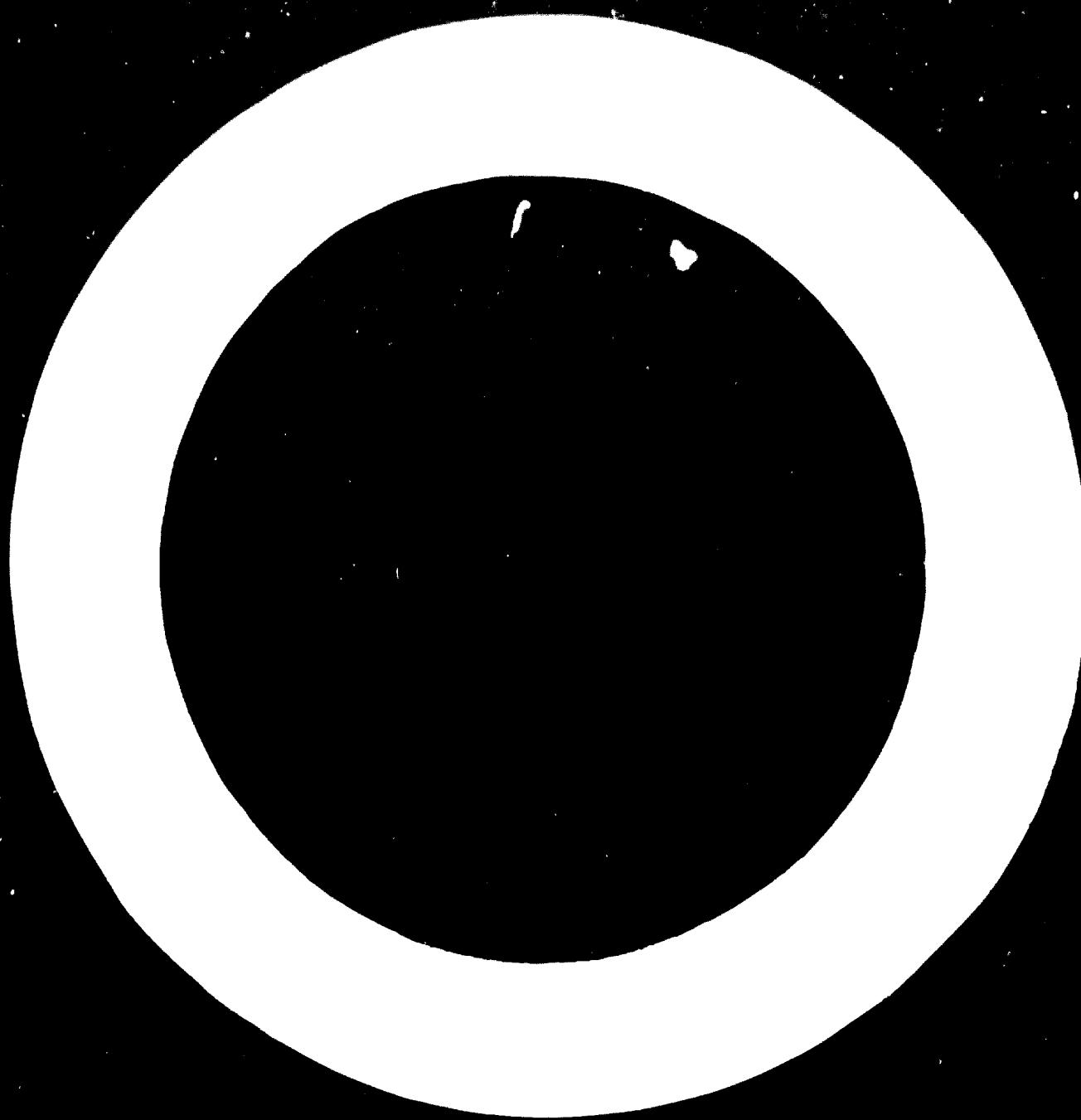
is a wide divergence of opinion as to how much it will increase in the 1970's. Some industrial sources expect that growth in catalytic cracking will be limited by hydrocracking in the 1975-1980 period while others expect catalytic cracking to remain the work horse of the refinery.

Because of these two widely diverging outlooks we have used two projections in order to bracket both possibilities; as such, refining propylene production would be expected to increase 1.5 to a maximum of 4.7 MM tons in the 1970-1980 period. Of course, not all of this propylene is economically recoverable so a significant quantity is lost to the marketplace.

Propylene supply from ethylene plants is expected to increase from 1.6 MM tons in 1970 to 3.3 MM in 1975, to a 5 MM level by 1980. This increase will be due to increased use of heavy feed (butane and heavier) in pyrolytic units. By 1975, heavy charge stocks are expected to be the major source of propylene in ethylene units.

Let us now bring the 1970-1980 propylene supply-demand picture into focus.

Table IV balances the propylene supply-demand picture for 1970-1980. Demand is shown increasing from 5.1 MM tons to a possible (but judged improbable by some industry sources due to alternate methods to obtain gasoline octane quality) maximum level of some 12+ MM tons by 1980. Supply is seen increasing from an average of 4.7 MM tons in 1970 to a range of 15.1 to 17.4 MM tons, the latter number is that which will be found if catalytic cracking growth continues, (however, this is disputed by some industry experts) - we have assumed that supply will increase 6 MM tons in the 1970-1980 period (which is the middle of the above range). Thus, based upon estimated demands & propylene supplies in 1970 of as little as 210,000 tons to as much as 390,000 tons



exist. This could increase to an undersupply of 1.4 MM tons or possibly as much as 5 MM tons by 1980 depending upon lead restrictions in motor gasoline blends utilized to obtain gasoline octane purity.

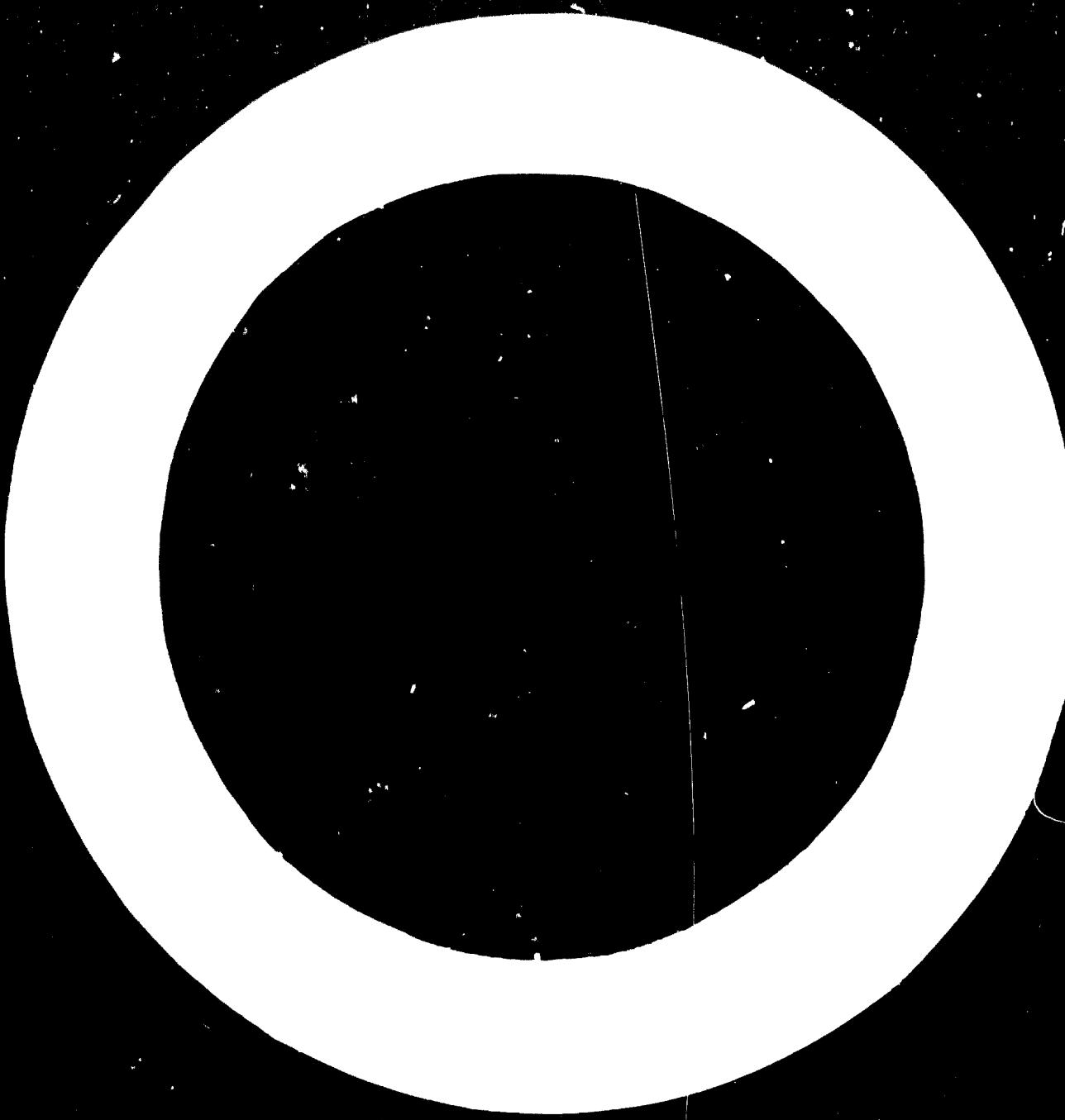
Consequently, major difficulties in the tight propylene market situation exist this year. Under current propylene prices,

a number of things could happen to help ease the short situation:

- Chemical users could continue to buy more to obtain the propylene necessary for their continued growth. Refineries would then utilize aromatics (reformate) to obtain necessary octane.
- Deliberate production of propylene by propane dehydrogenation and/or by isobutane cracking. The former route would yield chemical propylene while the latter route yields chemical propylene but more likely would be primarily used to supply a mixed refinery alkyl chain feedstock.
- Importation of propylene derivatives from overseas, particularly Europe.
- Import restrictions could be removed on further imports of propane, propylene and heavy charge stocks for cracked units.
- Refiners might use other alkylation feedstocks such as ethylene and isobutenes.
- Routes from charge stocks other than propylene may become feasible for some of the chemicals which are today based on propylene.
- Modifications might be made in cracking catalysts to increase olefin yields without an uneconomical loss in gasoline production.

Two major factors which could cause the 1980 propylene demand projection to be low are:

- Growth of propylene derivatives faster than that projected.
- Limitations on use of linear alkyls in motor gasoline.



In summary, United States propylene is seen in tight supply today, with a total demand of 1,279,000

Propylene Supply (Demand)

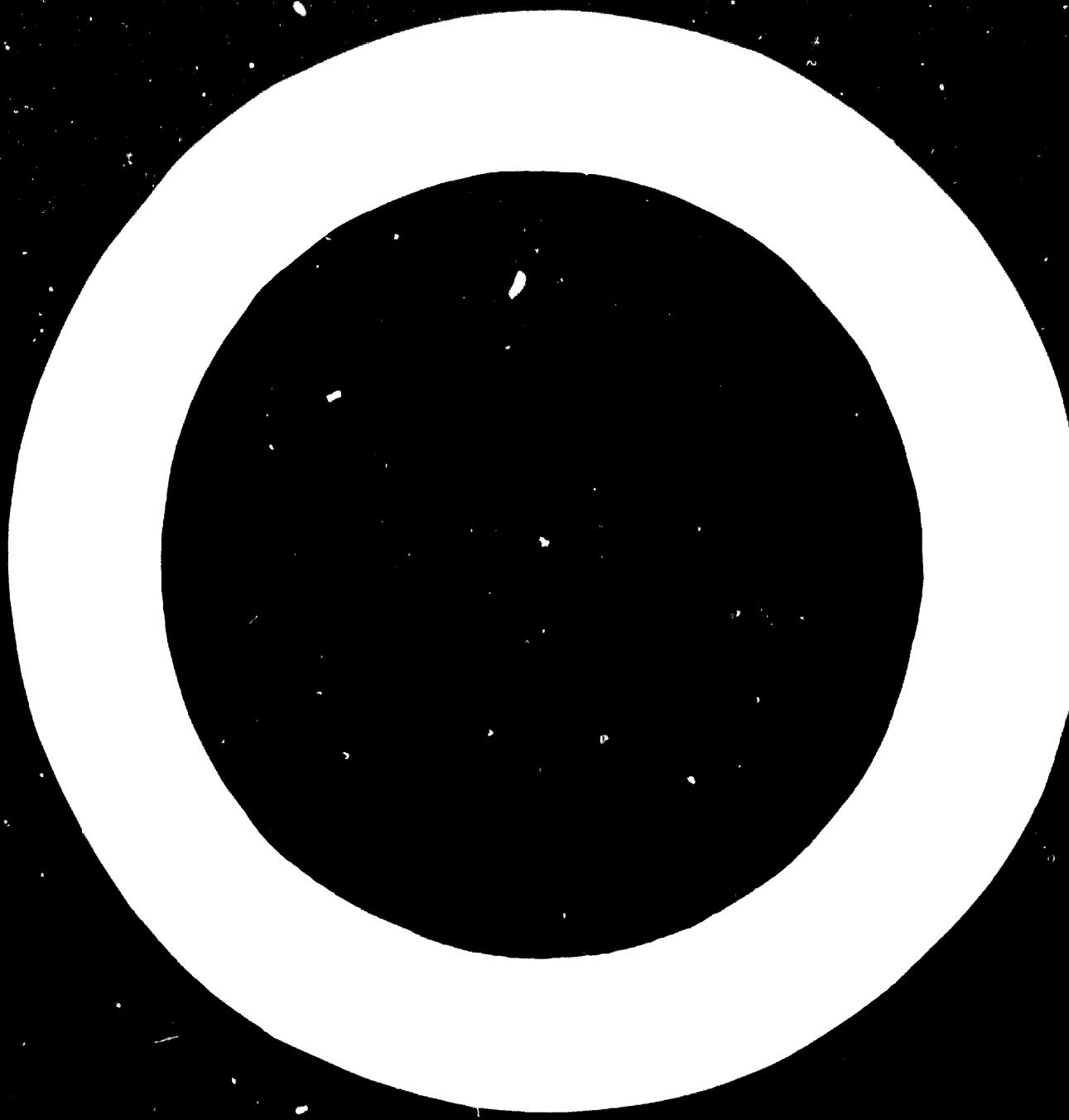
United States, like the United States, relies upon ethylene monofunctionality as the major source of propylene. In U.S., it is estimated that some 70% of propylene used for chemical manufacture will come from an ethylene cracker. On such the outlook for ethylene, its major manufacturing routes, and materials are factors which will determine propylene's supply situation. Overall ethylene demand for Western Europe is shown below:

Ethylene Demand - Western Europe
1000 Tons/Year

1965	7,665
1970	9,560
• 1975	9,000
1980	12,575

The forecast is based upon a country by country analysis, but only the total Western European picture is presented here. Ethylene is shown growing some 1.5% per year. The 1965-1970 period shows a dropping to a 1.25% overall rate in the 1970's. Growth averaged 3.4% during 1965-1970. Basic ethylene demand is seen increasing some 2,000 tons/year in the 1970-1980 period.

As I began my country by country analysis of propylene manufacturing problems, two material and anticipated propylene-ethylene production ratio's, in terms of propylene available from ethylene units was obtained. As available propylene supply may only include that co-produced with ethylene but also obtained from refineries (either unseparated propylene or in polymers), the amount was estimated and included in the total propylene



Based upon these calculations, propylene supply for chemicals in Western Europe is seen increasing as follows:

Available Chemical Propylene sup., b - Western Europe	
	MM Tons/Year
1970	3,435
1975	5,155
1980	7,160

In addition to the estimated propylene production noted above, it is highly possible that additional propylene will be obtained from refineries and petrochemical expansions in Western Europe. This may well serve as the key to conceivable imbalances in parts of Western Europe.

The major outlet for propylene produced in Western Europe is the chemical industry. In 1970, an estimated total 4.1 MM tons of propylene could be obtained from refineries and ethylene plants, of which 3.4 MM tons is available for export (as noted above). Of this, 1.1 MM tons will be consumed for chemical manufacture.

Propylene consumption for chemical production has grown very rapidly in Western Europe since 1960 with demand increasing some 1%+/year, approximately two-thirds of this demand is found in the IEC with the remainder in the ECA, UK, France and others.

Based upon an analysis of existing European propylene derivative future need (Tab V) propylene demand for chemicals is forecasted now as 1.1 MM tons/year 1965-1975, (0%/year 1970-1975), before dropping to some 0.75 MM tons/year 1980-1985, a 3% per year rate of growth, respectively, as shown below. It is anticipated that in 1980-1985 period. The result can be seen in the figure 2 where demand will increase some 35,000 tons/year to 1.16(-1.0) percent. It should be noted that this demand incorporates estimated exports of derived



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which would ease the propylene shortage in the U.S.

Currently (1970) six main end-use account for 50% of western Europe's propylene consumption: acrylonitrile, cumene, isopropenol, propylene oxide, xylitol and polypropylene (Table VI). By 1975-1980, they are projected to account for approximately 90%. The two major growth-vehicle outlets forecast are acrylonitrile and polypropylene.

Major consuming nations (in order of their propylene demand) in 1975-1980 are seen as follows:

Western Germany

United Kingdom

Italy

France

Belgium

These nations will account for some 90% of propylene demand in Western Europe in the 1975-1980 period. It is in these nations where future propylene supply will be most important.

Based upon our analysis, country by country, of supply-demand an overall European market balance was developed. The balance (Table VIII) shows that assuming there will be an overall surplus of about 30-40,000 t/mo. of propylene in western Europe during the 1975-1980 period, demand is estimated to be 100% met. An exception, however, is the balanced oilfield situation which is known to be in surplus while others to be in shortage.

Europe's propylene balance may not be as bright as shown in Table VIII. Currently there are start-up problems at many of the eight new units in Europe that produce styrene and propylene. Construction of the other new units in the early 1970's could curtail styrene and



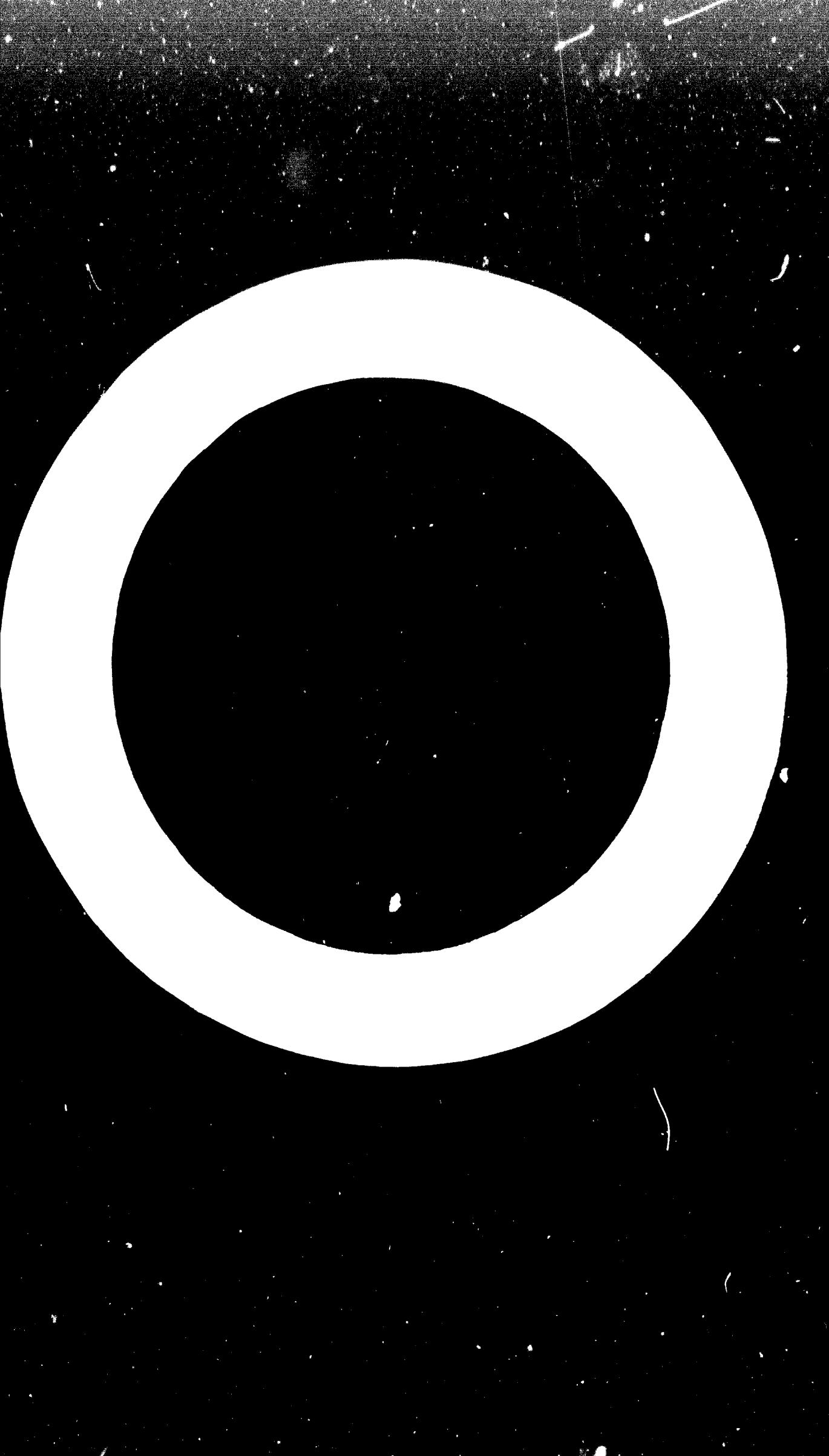
propylene output. Also, as noted in Table VII, a 5% drop in ethane would reduce the surplus to less than 300,000 ton capacity. Thus, under a tight market situation, such as our scenario, propylene demand grows faster than expected, a similar situation to 1975, slightly less than a 300,000 ton surplus in 1980 of western Europe. Once again, a 5% lower ethane-propylene demand could bring a tight market situation. In addition, the mid 1970's LPG would be available to be utilized for ethylene manufacture. Should it be utilized as an ethylene source, a lower propylene output would be expected.

Overall by 1980 a 500,000 ton propylene surplus is seen. However, long term forecasts must be utilized with care. In this case they turn out to be conservative (low) since, of course, a 5% occur in a 10 year period to obtain a forecast. Once again, a 5% drop in ethane-propylene demand could cause a very tight market in Europe.

(western Europe's balance is shown graphically in Figure 1)

A possible relief factor may be refinery propylene. It is in some areas of western Europe a catalytic cracking capacity and the resulting propylene used for chemical manufacture. Whether or not major additional volumes of propylene are to be sourced in western Europe.

In summary, while western Europe's demand for propylene grows rapidly in the 1970's, supply could keep up with demand to obtain a balanced but tight market picture. However, trends of surplus are clear. Should ethylene demand or propylene demand be off by a



right market picture could develop. A possible relief factor could be utilization of refinery propylene.

Carrying out our discussion of propylene, let us now look at the Japanese market picture.

Japan

Propylene demand continues to soar in Japan as does the demand for copolymer polypropylene (Figure 5). Propylene demand for chemicals which was negligible in the 12 years ago grew to some 403,000 tons by 1965 and is projected to rise to some 1,525,000 tons by 1970, a 25% yearly growth in the 1965-1970 period. Major outlets for their estimated propylene consumption are shown in Table 1. A strong demand for such derivatives as: polypropylene, acrylonitrile, vinylidene chloride and two alcohols are present with propylene chemicals. Total demand is anticipated to grow to some 2,400,000 tons by 1975 due to 3,750,000 tons LPG, a 20% growth/year in the 1970's. Also, as with western Europe, a market is anticipated.

Propylene for chemical production in Japan is obtained primarily as a co-product in the production of ethylene by naphtha cracking. A very small amount is obtained from catalytic cracking. As in western Europe, propylene supply is dependent upon ethylene demand, raw materials and their availability, and cracking severity.

Propylene production began in Japan in 1958 when 14,300 tons of product were produced. Some 10 years later production has increased to some 1,700,000 tons. Propylene demand is projected as follows:



Ethylen Demand - Japan
000 Tons/Yr.

1965	777
1970	1,225
1975	1,500
1980	1,800

(a growth equivalent to 25%/year in the 1965-1970 period dropping to 10%/year in the 1970's.) In terms of absolute demand, however, ethylene demand will grow from 365,000 tons/year in the 1970-1980 period as compared to 320,000 tons/year between 1965-1970.

The Japanese ethylene industry is dependent upon naphtha, both domestic and imported, as the charge stock for ethylene manufacture. Currently, domestic production of naphtha is forced to be independent, due to increasing dependence upon world naphtha, which in turn is tightening supply. As a consequence of this situation, producers are being required to optimize ethylene output by employing the which material kilometer severity cracking. Due to this, ethylene purity, propylene production will suffer. Also, firms are reported looking at naphtha substitutes for pyrolysis feed, which would shift the relative ratios of propylene and ethylene production.

Based upon consideration of the factors involved, we have forced Japan's propylene availability to increase as follows:

Propylene Supply - Japan
000 Tons

1965	140
1970	1330-1525
1975	2525-2630
1980	3625-3965



Figures are used due to possible variances in ethylene cracking severity.

Based upon the analysis of propylene supply and demand a propylene balance has been developed (Table IX).

At this time, the following is seen for 1975-1976 and 1976-1977.

In the 1975 period propylene obtained from naphtha cracking was in surplus in Japan and reportedly entered the LPG market there. Since then chemical companies more than utilized available propylene yielding the current tight market situation. By 1976, as naphtha cracking higher severity cracking provides propylene is anticipated to be tight and demand continues. By 1977 at the lower severity conditions anticipated, propylene will be back in surplus and a possible slight surplus exists.

The 1976 market outlook depends upon the severity of cracking taken, plus demand. It is anticipated an unbalanced situation will be found.

Therefore, expect the current "tight propylene-supply-demand" situation (see in Figure 6) to exist in Japan through the early 1976, by 1976 a slight surplus will exist and by 1977 the market to be back in balance.

Next, under naphtha conserving conditions and constant propylene demand it is expected the 1975 surplus could be lowered and in 1976 a shortage could occur.

In conclusion, strong growth is forecast for propylene and propylene derivatives in western Europe, Japan and the United States. While an apparent deficit situation could occur in the United States, adequate propylene is available for chemical growth providing it is bid away from refineries.

Reasons which are expected to help return to the market include imports of propylene derivatives from overseas and a liberalized production of ethylene. Other possibilities include easing of petroleum import restrictions,



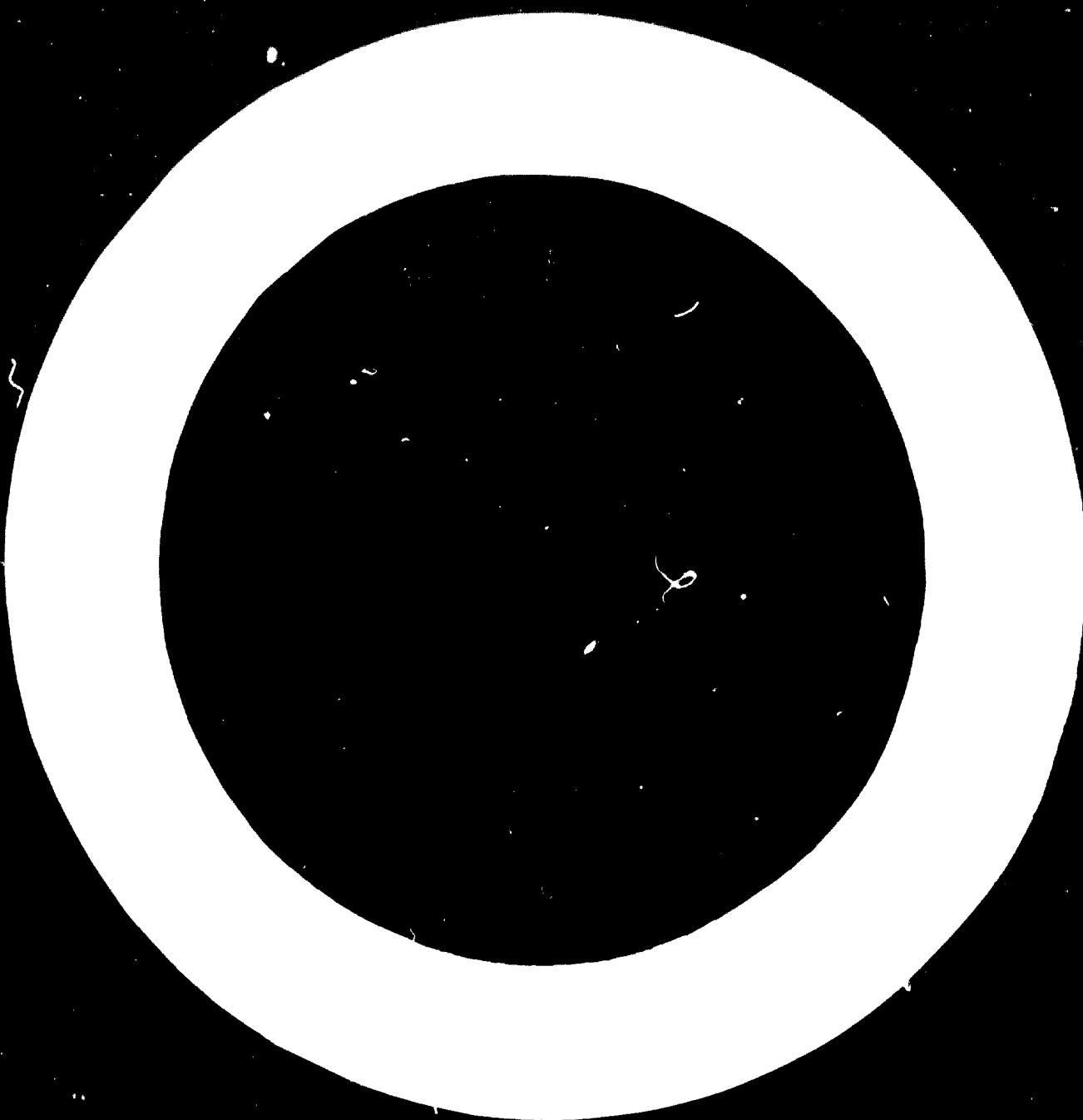
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use of other alkylation feedstocks, and possible new routes to propylene based chemicals.

While today Europe's demand for propylene will grow rapidly in the 1970's, supply could keep up with demand to yield an overall balanced but tight market picture. However, traces of surplus or deficit could occur.

Should ethylene or propylene demand be off by an little or none a very tight market picture could develop. A possible relief factor could be the utilization of refinery propylene.

The present tight propylene supply/demand situation currently found in Japan is expected to exist through the early 1970's. By 1975 a possible surplus will be found and by 1980 the Japanese market is expected to be back in balance. Under naphtha conserving conditions and a stronger propylene demand than forecast, the 1975 surplus could be lower and in 1980 a shortage could exist.



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TABLE I

U.S. CAPACITY OF RENEWABLE PROCESSES CONSUMING PROPYLENE
1,000 Barrels/Barrel Day

	Polymerization	Alkylation
1960	178	407
1965	126	530
1966	118	560
1967	96	595
1968	96	646
1970	80	720



TABLE II

U.S. PROPYLENE SUPPLY-DEMAND
1966-1970
000 Metric Tons/Year

<u>Demand</u>	1966	1970	1970 Demand
Chemicals ¹	2000	2780	10,000
Refinery	6350	6150	10,000
Total Demand	8350	8930	10,000
 <u>Supply</u>			
Refinery Production	8280	7900-8750	10,000
Ethylene Units	1000	1230	10,000
Total Available	9280	9130-9980	10,000
Economically Available	8350	8200-8980	10,000
Propylene Balance ²	0	(730)-50	10,000

¹ Excludes polymer gasoline products such as heptane, tri-tetramer which are produced in refinery polymerization.

² Figures in brackets indicate deficiency.

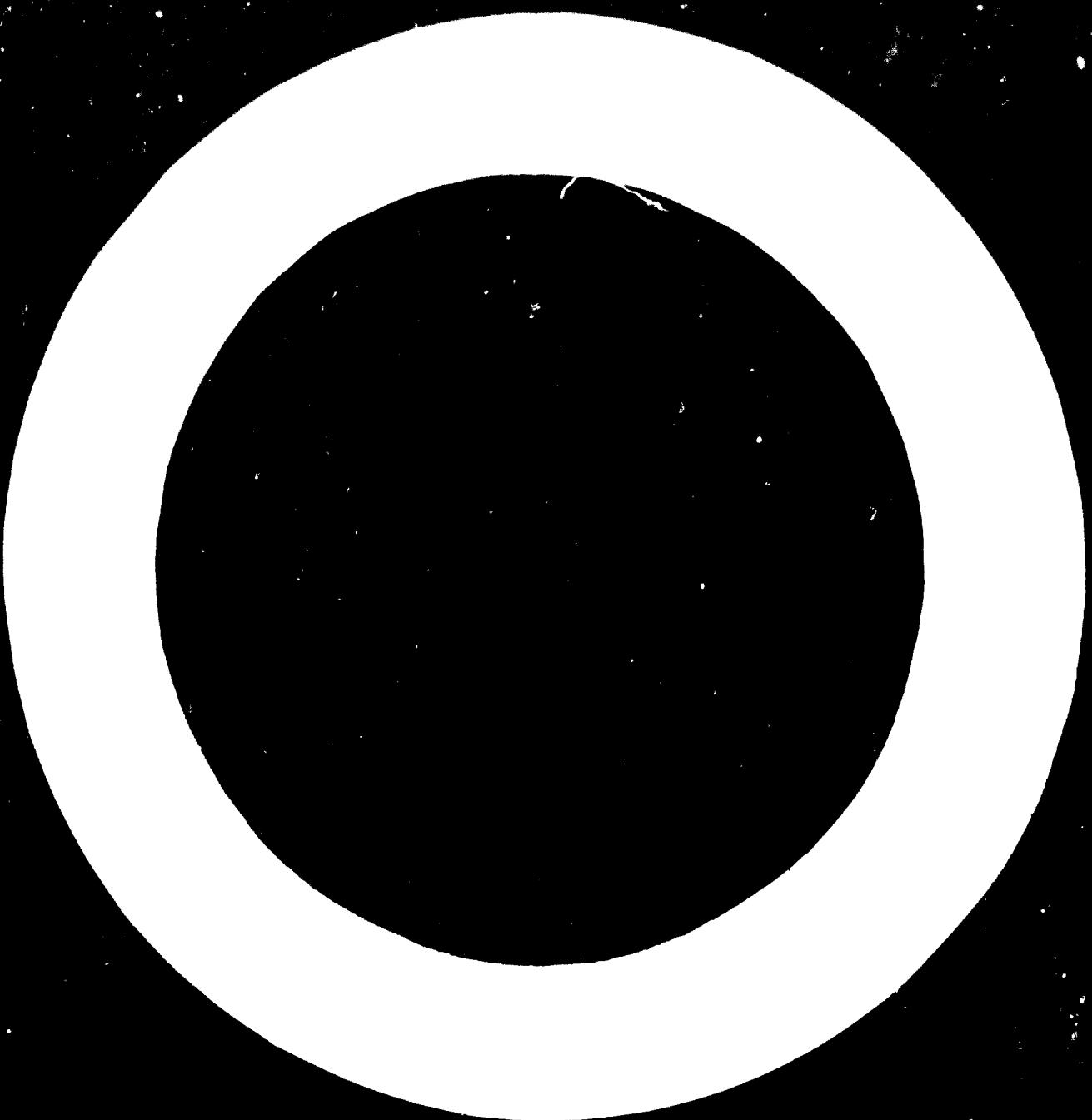


TABLE III

TOTAL U.S. PROPYLENE DEMAND FOR CHEMICALS¹
000 Metric Tons/Year

	1965	1970	1975	1980
Polypropylene	190	710	1320	2280
Acrylonitrile	195	590	935	1100
Propylene Oxide	260	455	705	1100
Isopropanol	595	680	835	1050
Oxo Alcohols ²	550	680	730	870
Cumene	105	240	545	690
Others ³	445	745	830	1110
	2340	4100 ± 200	5900 ± 200	8200 ± 300

¹Mean demand given for each end use. Data rounded off to nearest 5,000 tons.

²Includes heptenes.

³Tetramer, trimer, isoprene, glycerine, epichlorohydrin, ethylene-propylene rubber and acrylates.



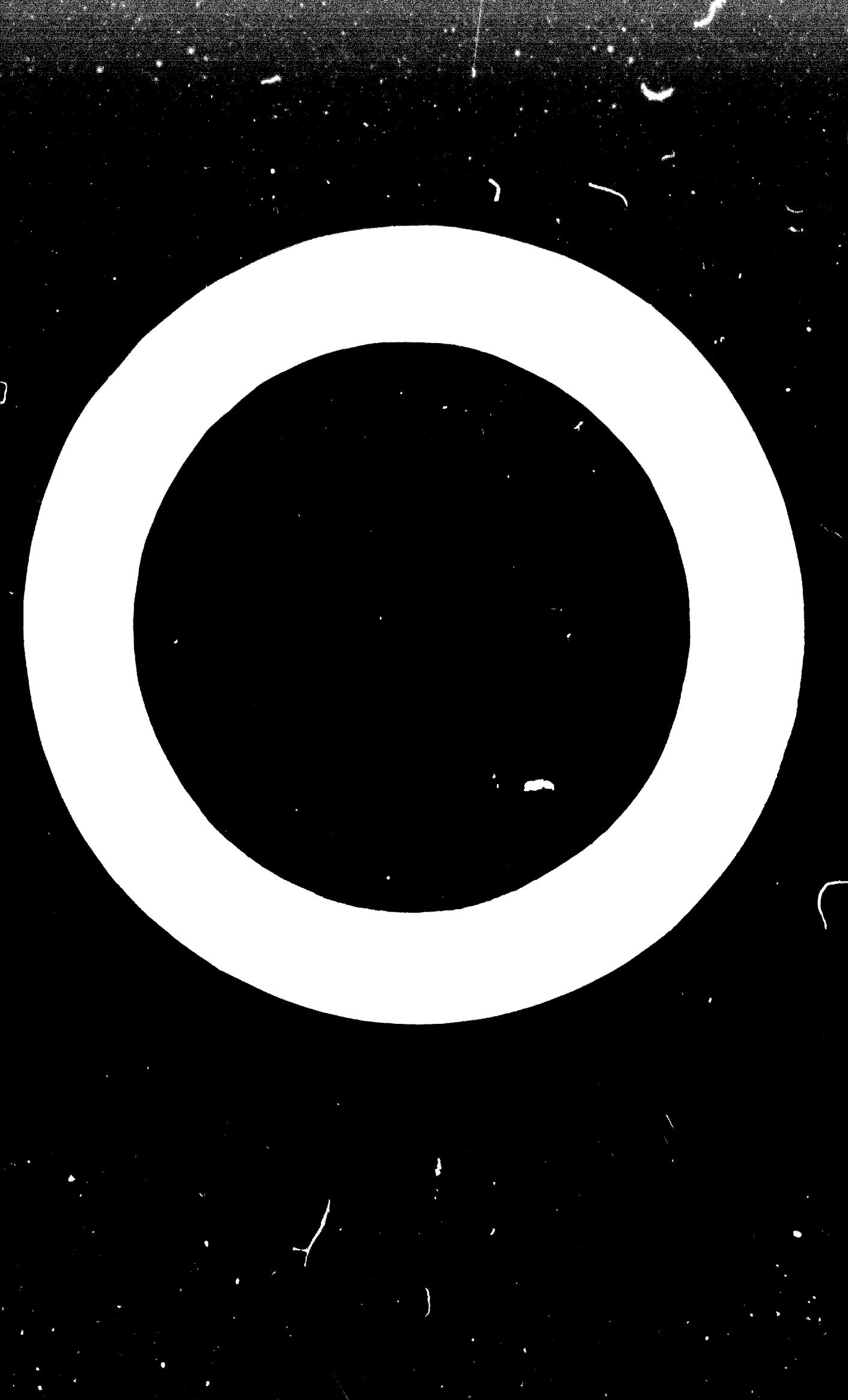
TABLE IV

U.S. PROPYLENE SUPPLY-DEMAND
 1970-1980
000 Metric Tons/Year

<u>Demand</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1980</u>
Chemical ¹			
Refinery	3360	5240	7650
Total Demand	6600	7230	7,550-14,600
	9960	12,450	15,200-22,250
<u>Supply</u>			
Refinery Production			
Liquid Units	8,410-9,250	9,350-12,150	10,200-13,000
Total Available	1500	3320	5000
	10,000-10,740	12,670-15,370	10,700-13,900
Commercially Available			
	9,000-9,750	11,400-13,100	13,700-17,100
Propylene Balance ²	(960)-(210)	(1050)-1450	(1400)-(5150)

¹ Corrected for polymer gasoline products such as heptane, trimer and tetramer, which are produced in refinery polymerization units.

² Numbers in brackets indicate insufficient supply.



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TABLE V

WESTERN EUROPEAN PROPYLENE CONSUMPTION FOR POLYTHENE

<u>Year</u>	<u>000 Tons/Year</u>	<u>Growth in Tons/Year A 5 Year Period</u> <u>00 Tons</u>
1965	1265	—
1970	3110	1845
1975	4860	1750
1980	6615	1755



TABLE VI

WESTINGHOUSE
PROPYLENE CONSUMPTION BY END USE
1966 Metric Tons/Yr.

	<u>1966</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1980</u>
Acrylonitrile	56	510	625	1230
Cumene	205	340	475	630
Isopropanol	300	435	530	645
Propylene Oxide	125	295	565	810
Oxo alcohols ¹	215	655	980	1255
Polypropylene	90	410	590	1415
Others ²	<u>75</u>	<u>105</u>	<u>105</u>	<u>590</u>
TOTAL	1265	3110	4860	6615

¹Includes heptane.

²Includes glycerine, epichlorohydrin, dodecene, nonene, ethylene-propylene rubber, acrolein, perchlorethylene and others.

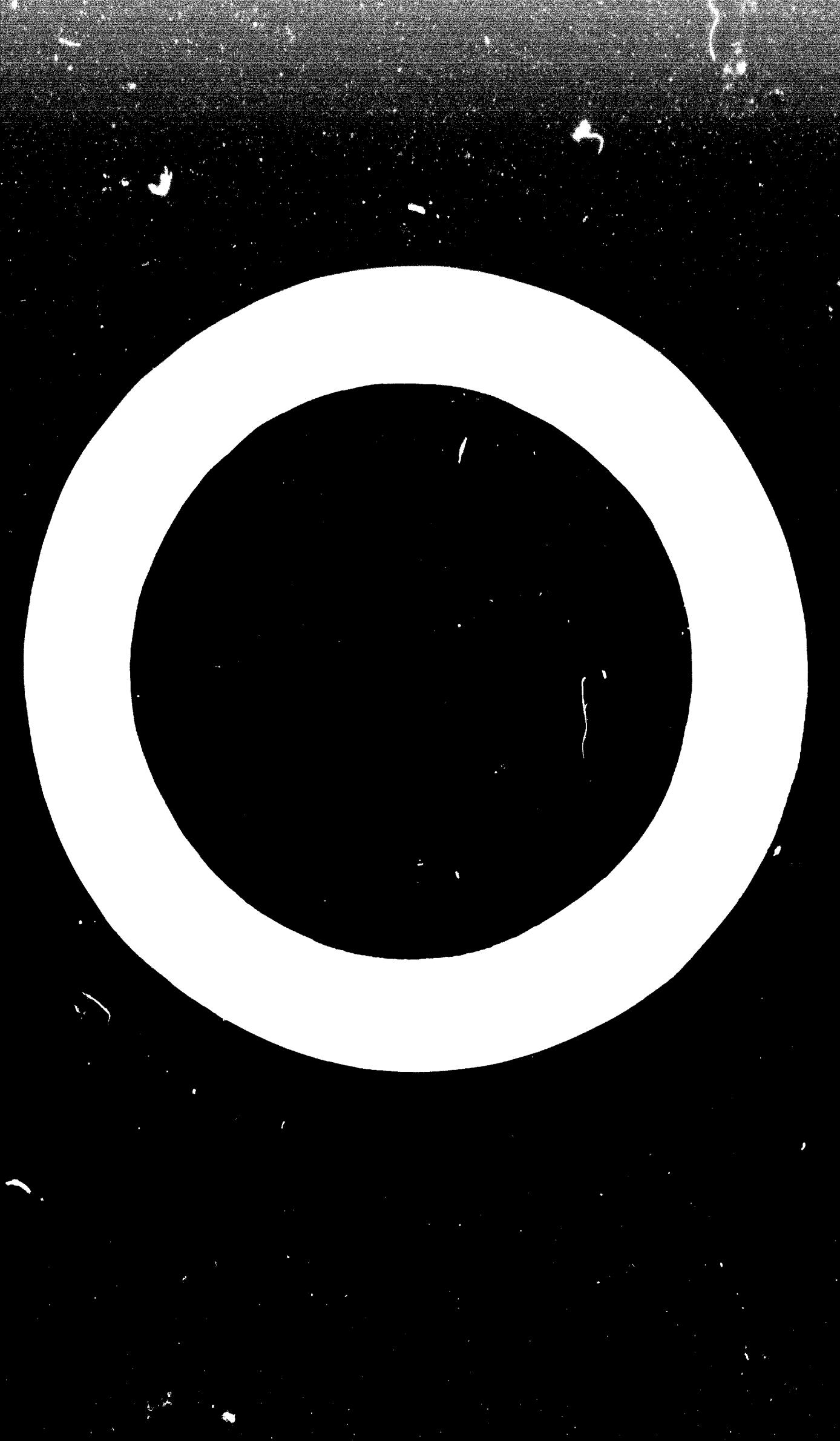


TABLE VIIPROPYLENE BALANCE - EASTERN EUROPE

	<u>1970</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1980</u>
Total Surplus/(Deficit) 000 Tons/Year	+325	+295	+545
Surplus/Deficit As % of Demand	10	6	28
<u>Sensitivity analysis</u>			
<u>Surplus Deficit if:</u>			
Lithylene Exports Are 5% High, 000 Tons/Year	+185	+85	+225
As % of Demand	6	32	13
Propylene exports Are 5% Low, 000 Tons/Year	+95	+14	+111
As % of Demand	3	1	2



TABLE VIII

JAPANESE PROPYLENE DEMAND¹
000 Tons/Year

	<u>1962</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1972</u>	<u>1974</u>
Acrylonitrile	135	370	640	900
Polypropylene	70	565	975	1400
Propylene Oxide	40	75	115	170
Acetone	30	85	120	160
Cumene	20	30	80	100
Oxo Alcohols	25	155	250	410
Others ²	<u>110</u>	<u>145</u>	<u>220</u>	<u>360</u>
TOTAL	480	1525	2400	3700

¹Rounded off to the nearest 5.

²Includes tetram er, EP rubber, acrylates, epichlorohydrin, chlorinated solvents, isopropanol and others.

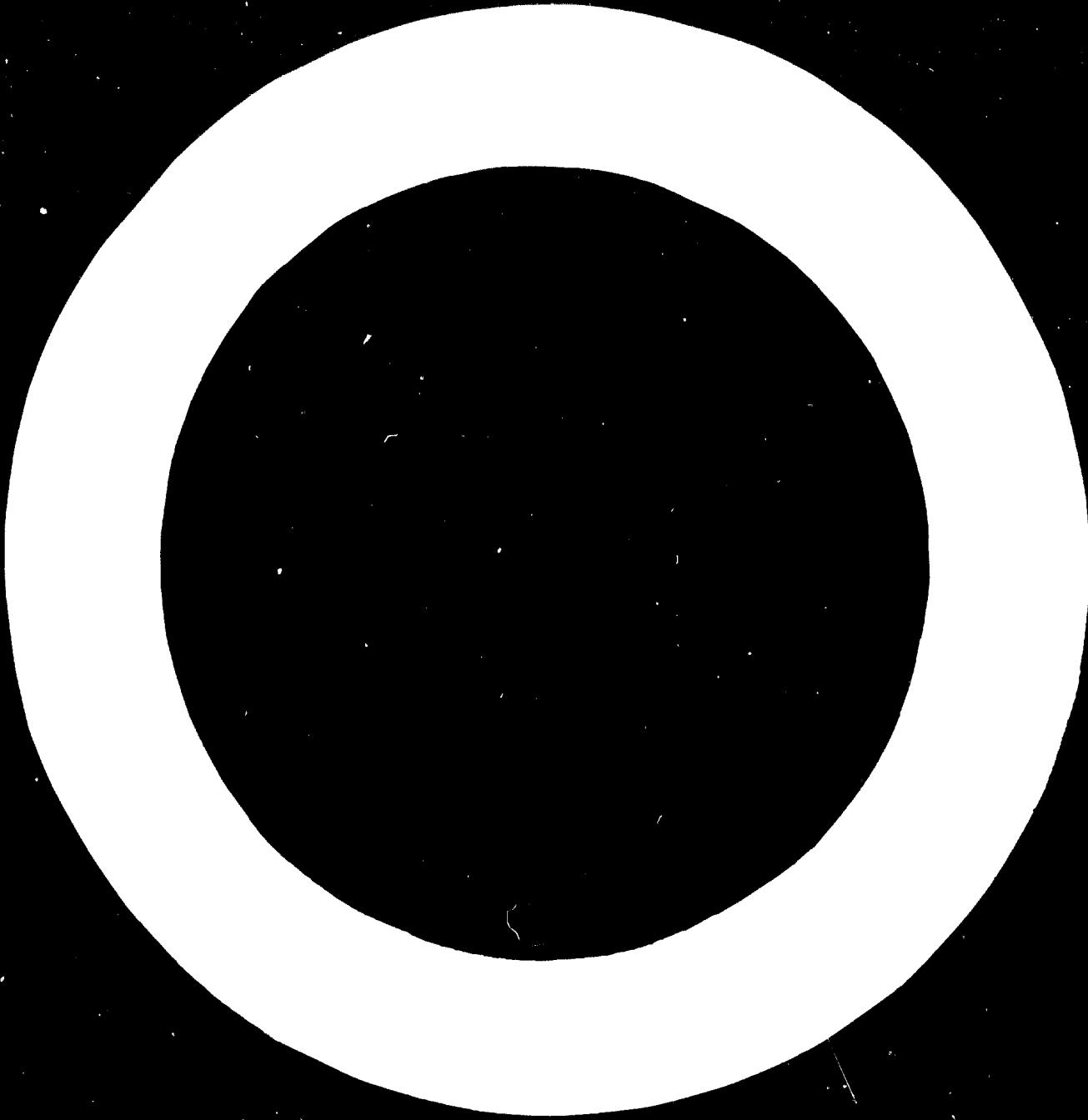
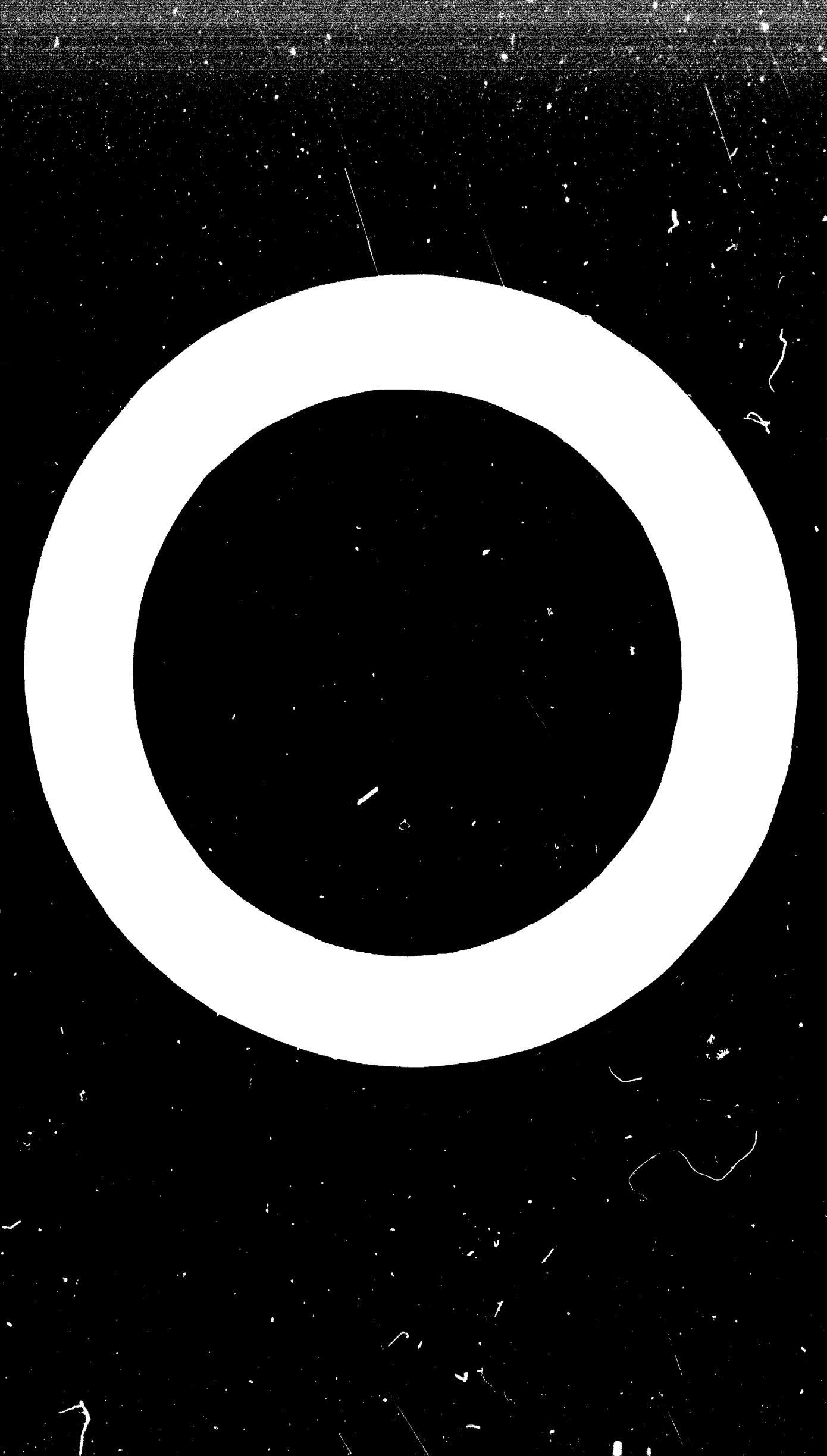


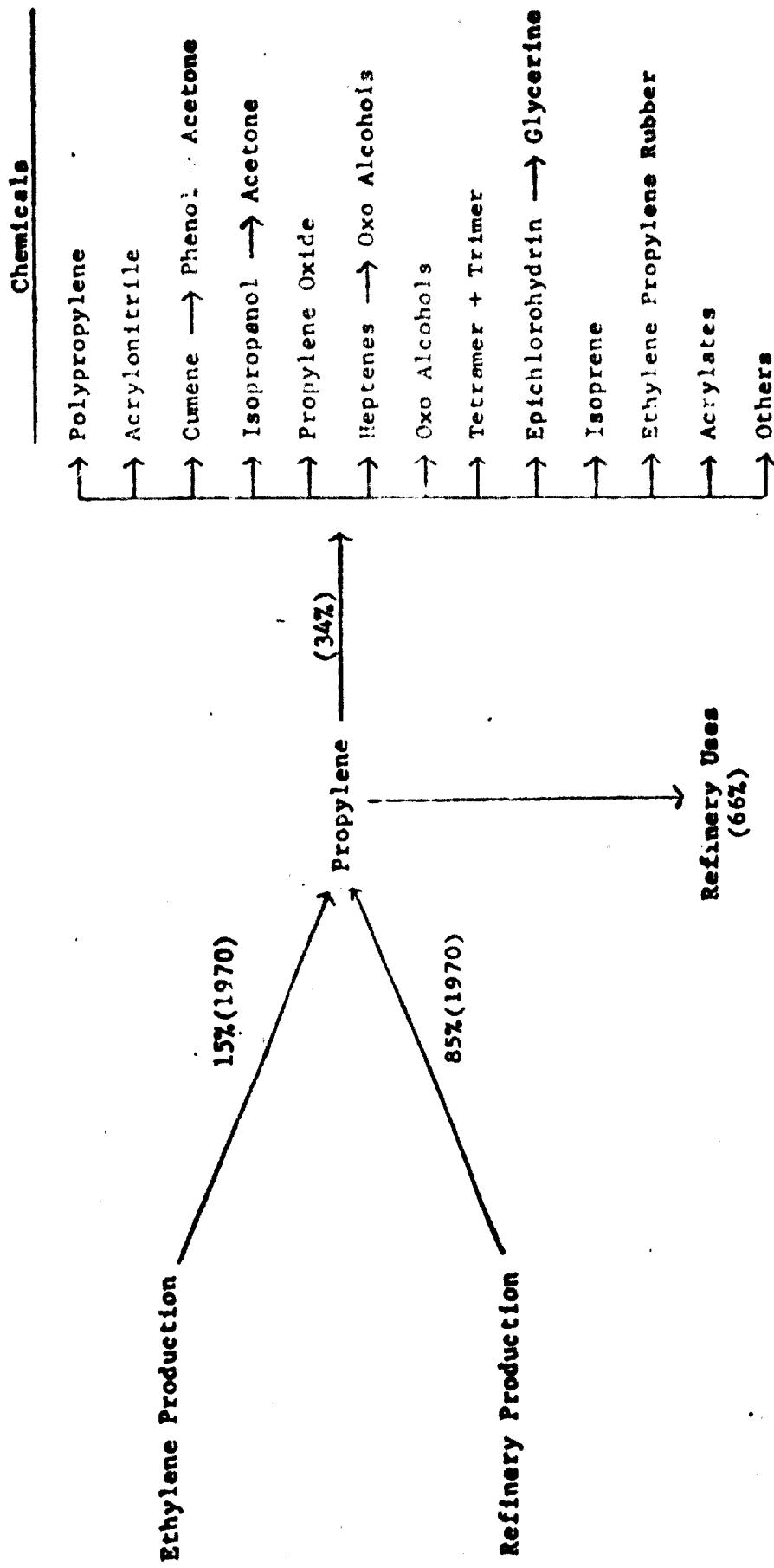
TABLE IX
PROPYLENE BALANCE - JAPAN

	1965	1970	1975	1980
Surplus/Deficit ¹ 000 Tons/Year	+60	+50 To -19	+120 To +230	-75 To +265
Surplus/Deficit As % of Demand	12% +3% To -12%	+5% To +9%	-2% To +7%	
<u>Sensitivity</u>				
Surplus/Deficit if:				
Ethylene Forecast 5% High — 000 Tons/Year	+25 To -256	+45 To +115	+69 To -252	
Propylene Forecast 5% Low — 000 Tons/Year	-22 To -265	+33 To +113	+83 To -260	

¹Depends post 1965 upon cracking severity.



UNITED STATES PROPYLENE PRODUCTION - USP PROFILE

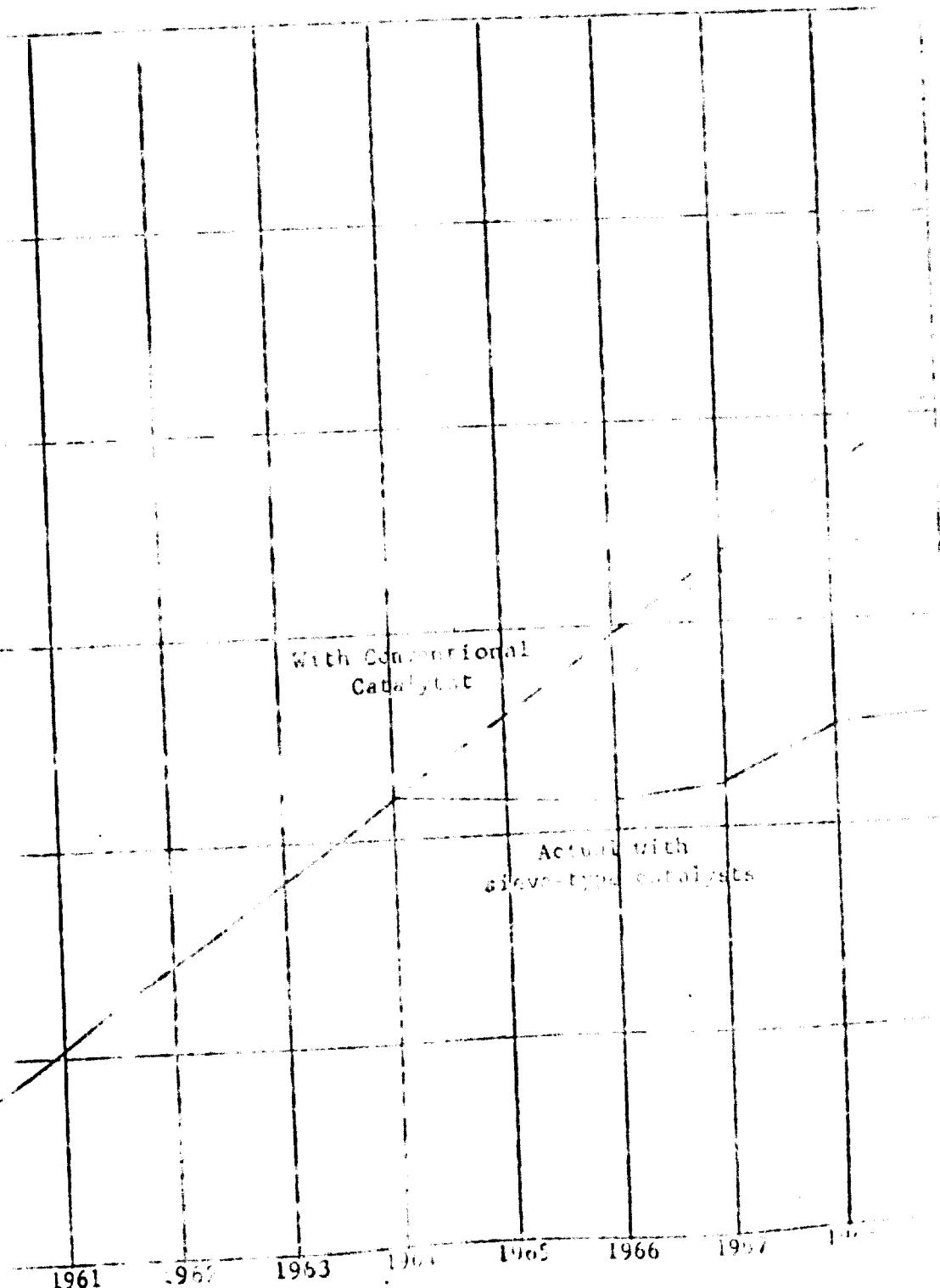




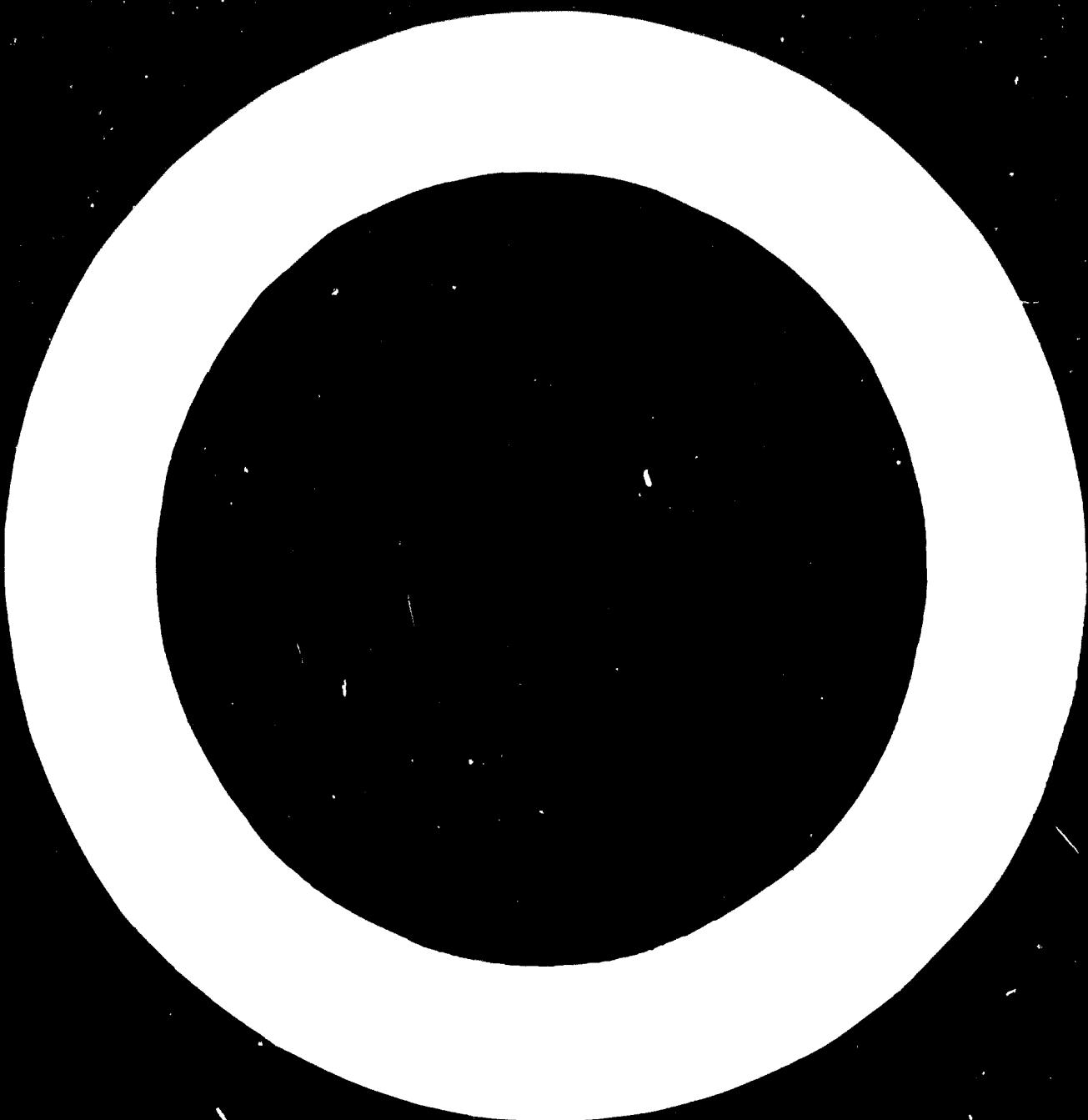
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FIGURE 2

U.S. CATALYTIC CRACKING CAPACITY

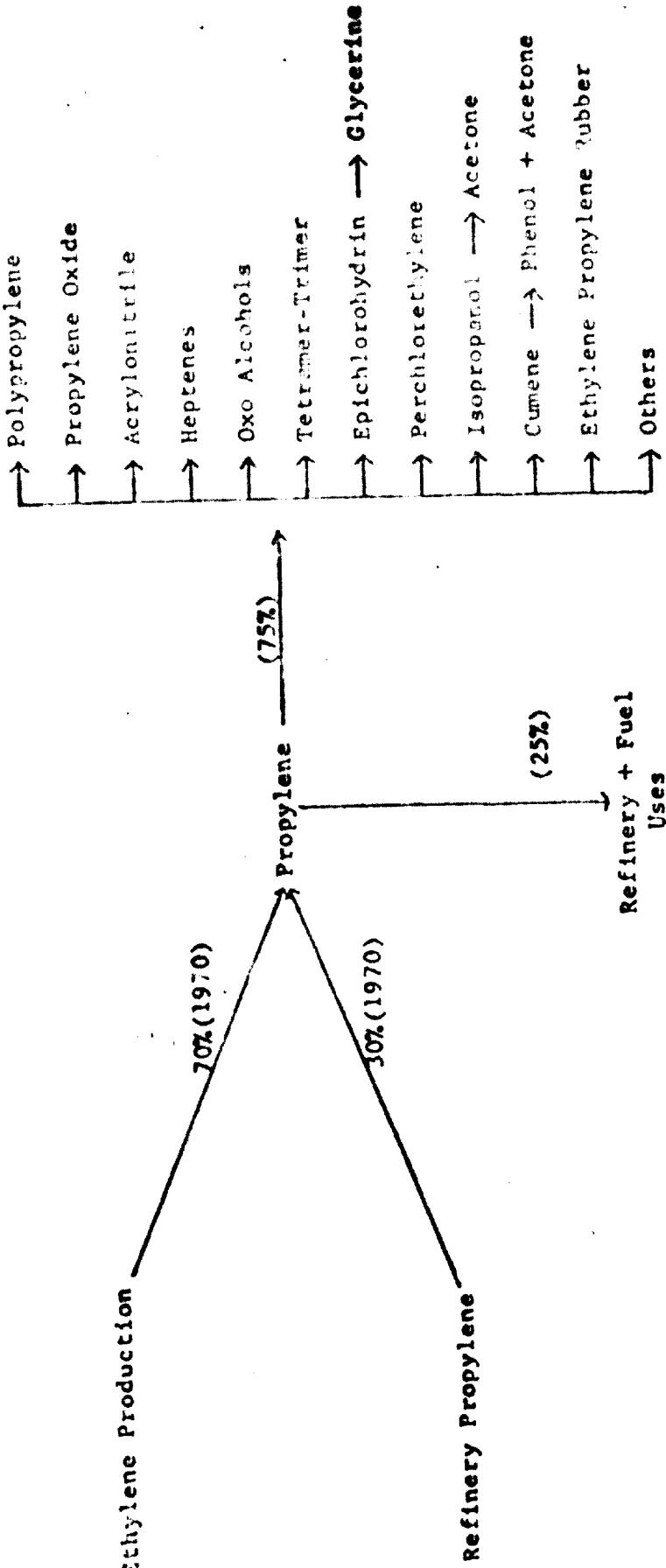


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WESTERN EUR PROPYLENE PRODUCTION - USE PROFILE

Chemicals



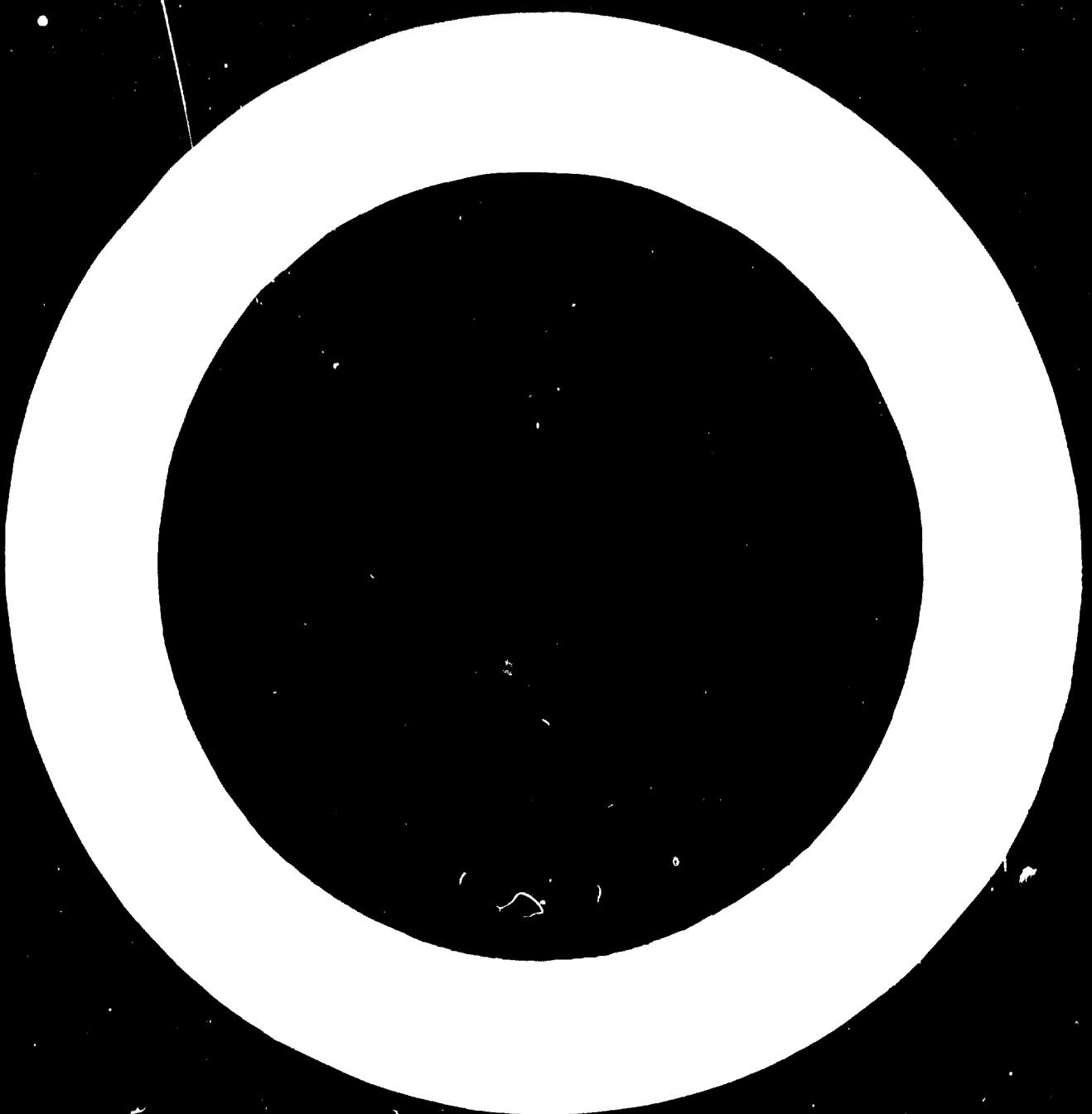
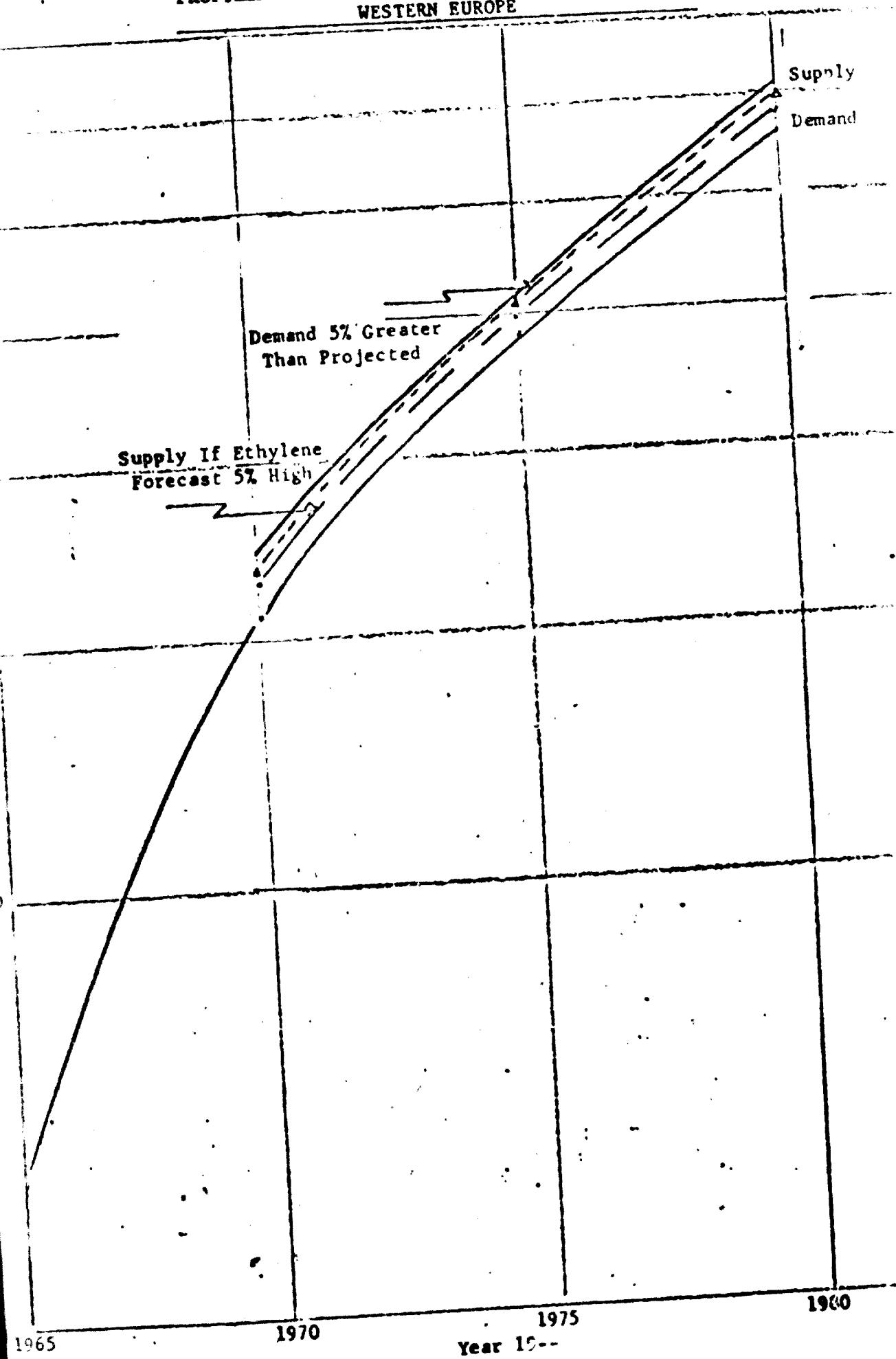


FIGURE 4

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PROPYLENE PRODUCTION - CHEMICAL DEMAND BALANCE
WESTERN EUROPE



JAPANESE PROPYLENE PRODUCTION AND PROCESS

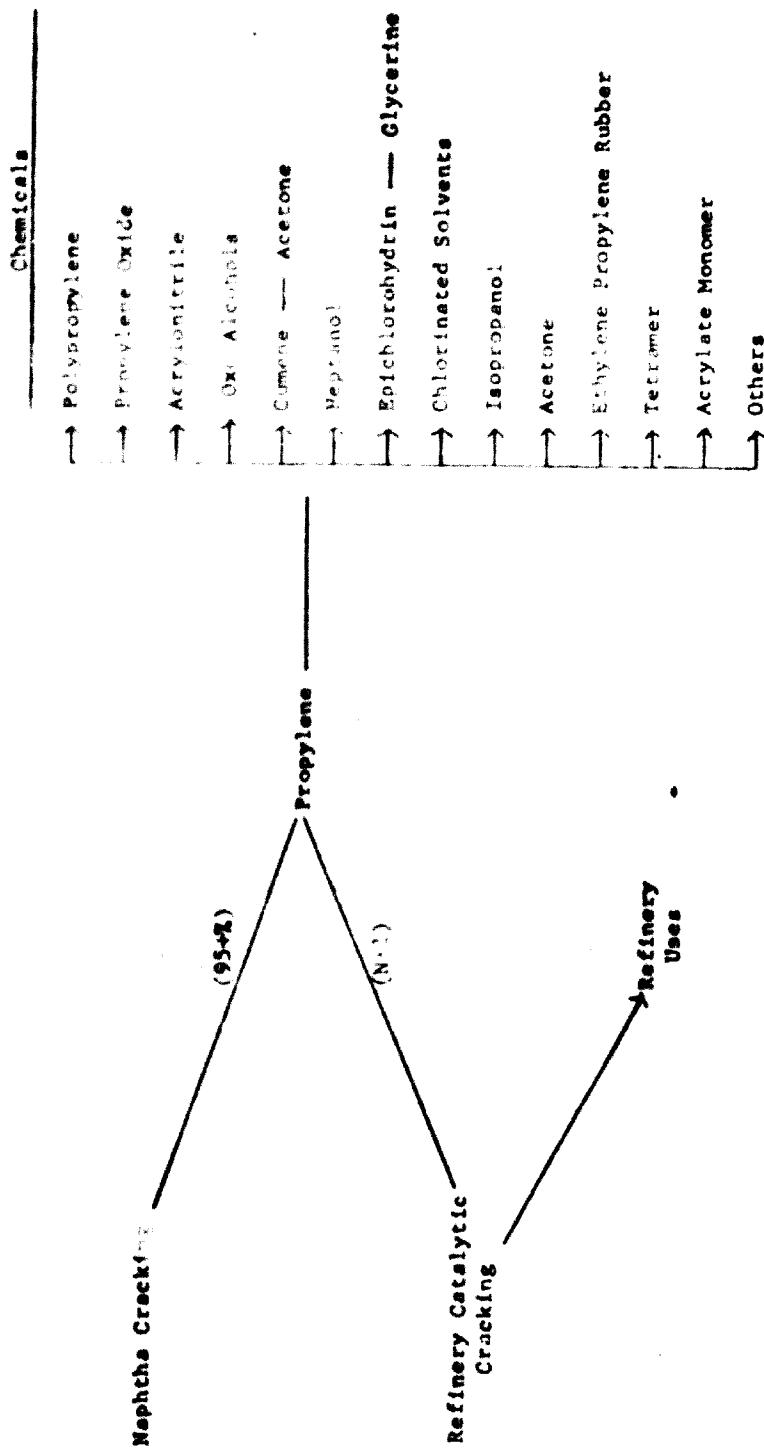


FIGURE 6

PROPYLENE PRODUCTION - CHEMICAL DEMAND BALANCE
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