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Dear Terry:

Thank you for the copy of your letter of April 30 to Sir Neville Stack. There really is no inconsistency between my report and your discussion with Dr. Hosada. I was being very conservative in what I wrote because in fact, Dr. Hosada has no actual proof of exposure of this female fiber glass worker to chrysotile in any of her earlier jobs even though the analytical studies clearly identify chrysotile fibers in the lung specimen. It can be assumed that because of the nature of her previous occupations, particularly her work in an aircraft factory during World War II, that she was indeed exposed to the chrysotile, resulting in the fibers in her lung. In effect, Hosada added 2 and 2 together and got 4.00001 where I did the same thing but got 3.99999. I see no difference in our viewpoints. I hope this will clarify the situation. I am sorry to have missed you in San Francisco.

All good wishes.

Cordially,