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Internal Correspondence

TO Public Affairs Committee
International Affairs Committee

FROM J. F. Welch
J. F. Welch, Director, Public Affairs

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SUBJECT Connecticut Department of Health Services -- Proposed Regulations for Water Systems Using A/C Pipe

- REF: (1) JFW correspondence, same title, August 21, 1980.
(2) JFW correspondence, same title, October 2, 1980.
(3) JFW correspondence, same title, October 10, 1980.

ACTION REQUIRED: *Review for information*



The Connecticut Department of Health Services (DHS) has released to AACPP special counsel a draft of the proposed amendments to Section 19-13-B102 of the General Statutes, "Standards for Quality of Public Drinking Water." It should be emphasized that this is a draft document subject to change. To facilitate comparison with the original (July 29, 1980) proposal, changes or new sections are underlined in the draft. A copy of the original proposal also is enclosed.

The changes are rather significant. The pH increase "triggering level" for the initiation of treatment would be changed from 0.3 to 0.6. Further, and consistent with testimony presented by James Millette of EPA, DHS would require examination of pipe specimens. Where corrosion is "evident" (corrosion criteria unspecified), asbestos fiber counts would have to be taken. If statistically significant levels of asbestos were present, water treatment and public notification procedures would have to be instituted.

Also enclosed is a clipping from the Hartford Courant, which describes the reaction of the Connecticut Fund for the Environment to the amended proposal. The reporter refers to a "major change" requiring tearing up of sections of A/C pipe if acidity increases to a specific level. There is no mention of such a provision in the December 10, 1980 draft. It is possible that the reporter, who is not known for accuracy, has misread and misrepresented the proposal.

The final proposal will be forwarded as soon as it is released. If you have any questions in the interim, please do not hesitate to call.

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