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Mr. Thomas J. Quinn
Director
Division of Environmental
Health Services
Department of Health
South Ferry & Green Streets
Albany, New York 12201

Dear Mr. Quinn:

We are happy to enclose a copy of ILZRO's Manual 1 - Lead Glazes for Dinnerware and a copy of a publication by Lead Industries Association - "Facts about Lead Glazes for ArttPotters and Hobbyists".

In response to your request for information on "airborne intake of lead from kilns", I do not know of such information. Within the past year, I have personally taken samples of air around kiln areas in order to try to determine whether metals are released in sufficient quantities during kiln firing. The small amount of information to date has not been conclusive. We have taken samples and analyzed only for the content of lead and cadmium. However, to be on the safe side, we have recommended that kilns be hooded and the exhaust released to the outside air.

If we can provide any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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cc: J. F. Cole

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