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ENCLOSURE 10

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Notes for files re Insulators - Asbestos: -

Received today copy of the report from Dr. Rinehart reporting on industrial hygiene survey. It says, in effect, that apparently we don't have any problem but advises the continuance of wearing "Dust-Foe" type respirators.

Reviewing also recommendations of Dr. Green, presumably endorsed by Dr. Roush, 7/1/69, taking them by number, I should conclude somewhat as follows:

1. We doubt if there is an equivocal case.
2. Then current X-rays weren't taken, we were able to get recent ones that we had on the group. These were reviewed.
3. The survey's been done and the report is in the file referred to above.
4. Annual follow-up seems unnecessary. Perhaps at some longer intervals a survey can be made if in the interim all individuals haven't been X-rayed in the normal course of events.
5. Ventilatory studies seem hardly indicated.
6. Yes, this would have been our intention anyhow.
7. I plan no medical contact in the case of the one man who has roentgenological changes compatible with asbestos. This man continues to be observed by Dr. Danburg, getting X-rays several times a year and Dr. Danburg has never commented on any abnormality other than his t.b.c. Furthermore, and especially at this man's age, removal from all exposure is not thought to be indicated, although he as others should not be exposed to hazardous amounts of asbestos fibers.

My over-all comment would be to recall, recalling the 7/1/69 letter, that William Shakespeare once wrote a play called "Much Ado About Nothing".

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