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Dear Mr Lynch,

Thank you for your letter of June 18,1969, and for the copy of your Paper entitled 'Brake Lining Decomposition Products'.

The last sentence in my summary of your conclusions was taken from the draft report which you sent me in January, 1968, but I see that your views have now changed. I suggest, therefore, that the final part of my reference to your work should read as follows: "At lower bulk lining temperatures within the normal operating range, the binder behind the surface remains intact. However, the spot temperature at the point of contact between the lining and the drum may be higher than the decomposition temperature of asbestos. The decomposition product, therefore, includes not free asbestos fibres but a different mineral, resulting from thermal metamorphosis."

I hope that this reference to your work is now acceptable to you and unless I hear from you to the contrary I will publish it in this form.

Yours sincerely,

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