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TO: L. Dymitro

FROM: S. M. Lillis

SUBJECT: VICTOCOR 300

RE: Quality Control Program

The report of Harold Gosselink indicates a range of thicknesses for component parts and finished sheets that seem extremely wide. With an average of .007" ground from the one face, Mr. Gosselink says "this was higher than expected".

Is this what we've been getting or could it have been more?

You indicate in your memo of 3/4/68 that "controls will begin immediately". This suggests that we were operating without controls. Your list of control points sounds good, but it is frightening that we have been functioning without them.

With all the time and effort that went into the development of the Victocor 300 and with all the capability studies that were made before Victor agreed to produce it, your commentary raises many questions about the quality control that existed for the material since we have been making it beginning the summer of 1967.

Please give a full and comprehensive report on controls in effect for all the gasket lots that have been produced to date. Please give a full and comprehensive report on the controls that you are putting into effect now.

Please indicate the confidence level that we will be operating at, when the new controls become effective.

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