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NEWARK, OHIO

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Dr. H. B. Parmelee
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P. Lorillard Company
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Dear Dr. Parmelee:

Following our visit of November 10 and the conversation of December 12 between your President, Mr. R. M. Ganger, and our Mr. Games Slayter, Vice President in Charge of Research, Development and Engineering, we shipped you December 12 a roll of material which represents our first attempt to supply fiber for use on the filter-making machine; we were, unfortunately, unable to make it exactly 26" wide so I had it trimmed to correspond to 8 of your 66-millimeter plugs instead of 10 and hope that will be satisfactory to obtain a few filters for testing.

In this sample the total amount of fiber per square foot is the same as the amount you presently use of asbestos and cotton webbing. This you indicated to consist of three webs each weighing 28 grams per square yard or a total of 84 grams per square yard. The sample we are shipping you consists of eight webs, lightly bonded, in an attempt to give them resilience and each weighing approximately 10 grams per square yard. This has the additional advantage that, if your first tests indicate that this is still too much fiber, it is a relatively easy matter to peel off one or two of these webs and reduce proportionately the amount of fiber in each plug.

We are very actively working on the approach recommended by Mr. Slayter to Mr. Ganger in his telephone conversation; in this solution, we would provide you with a bonded Fiberglas filter in rod form made on a suitably modified machine in our own shop and directly usable in your cigarette assembly machine.

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If we can come up with a satisfactory specification, this could be either delivered to you in large coils or cut to the 66-millimeter length in our own shop if you should so prefer.

In the immediate future, we are attempting to develop this rod and also trying to improve specifications of the rolled webbing for use on your own filter-making equipment.

Yours very truly,

OWENS-CORNING FIBERGLAS CORPORATION

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