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Dear Mrs. Hutchison:

I would like to stop in your office to discuss a couple points on talc. I will be in Washington the latter part of next week and would like to visit you on Wednesday afternoon (November 5) if you have time available then.

There are two points I would like to discuss. Firstly, there has been talk in the talc industry that EPA has some current interest in talc, presumably eminating out of their Industrial Standards Emmission Branch. I would like to know whether your agency is involved in that work and if so what the objective and scope of it is. In the event MSHA is not involved in the EPA talc work then perhaps you could route me to the proper coordinating specialist at the EPA offices at 401 M Street, SW DC. Secondly, I would like to talk to anyone of your staff who is abreast of intended changes in the TLV for talc which ACGIH has under review.

I will call you on November 5 when I arrive in the Washington area to make sure Wednesday afternoon is convenient for you and if not I could fit into your schedule Thursday or Friday morning.

Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

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