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Mr. Ron Linton, Chairman
Task Force on Environmental Health
and Related Problems
U. S. Department of Health, Education
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Office of the Secretary
Washington, D.C. 20201

Dear Mr. Linton:

On page seven of the recently-issued report of your Task Force is a statement asserting that the wearing of automobile brakes "has increased the public's exposure to asbestos particles."

We know that this statement has appeared in certain journals as an untested hypothesis. However, actual tests of asbestos brake linings, under conditions duplicating the wearing of brakes, performed in our research laboratory have not produced detectable asbestos particles in the surrounding ambient air. To our knowledge there have been no published reports from other laboratories, including those of the United States Public Health Service, which do show such particles.

We are naturally greatly concerned with this subject and interested in keeping abreast of the facts. We should, therefore, appreciate knowing the source of your information.

Very truly yours,

6/20 to be sent thru Ed Fenner.

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