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EXTRACT FROM LETTER TO DR. H. ROACH, 1968
from Mr. J. Waddell, dated 6th February 1968

Thank you for your letter of 1st February and for sending me the report of the meeting on "Philosophy of Protection Standards" which I have read with great interest and am showing to John Knox, Steve Holmes and Dr. Lewinsohn. I shall return it to you safely in the not too distant future. I am a bit shaken to discover that Dr. Roach apparently thinks that the standards which the B.O.H.S. Committee are recommending are fairly comfortably acceptable to the asbestos industry. In practice I am sure it is going to prove very difficult in many manufacturing operations and also in the insulation industry to get down to anywhere near 10 fibres per c.c., much less to 5 or 2. The standards in the B.O.H.S. report are, of course, based on our T.B.A. factories, and even we are going to find it extremely difficult and expensive to get below about 7 fibres per c.c. in the card room, although we are already down to about 3 or 4 in the weaving shed. In collaborating in the production of this report we have, in effect, lent our support to the setting-up of target standards which will be a challenge to everyone and which our customers and competitors in overseas countries will probably consider wildly Utopian and even catastrophic. If, therefore, Dr. Roach goes about giving people like Lloyd-Davies the idea that the B.O.H.S. has been persuaded to give the asbestos industry an easy ride he will be causing a great deal of unnecessary difficulty and confusion.

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