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Preparing Final Report Including a Section on Lung Cancer

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Director

October 12, 1948

Mr. J. F. Woodard
Johns-Manville Corporation
22 East Fortieth Street
New York 16, New York

Dear Mr. Woodard:

Under separate cover, we are forwarding to you today by Railway Express fifteen (15) copies of the report of our experimental studies with asbestos minerals. These studies have been carried on at the Saranac Laboratory under the sponsorship of the Johns-Manville Corporation and other companies of the Asbestos Association.

The report is a fairly complete review of our experimental investigation of asbestosis, with the exception of a minor section devoted to lung cancer. As there was some ambiguity in the terminology in Doctor Gardner's notes on cancer in animals exposed to asbestos dust, we preferred to defer completing that section until after Doctor Vorwald has returned from Europe and has had opportunity to review the sections.

? We now plan to begin preparation of the final portion of the report - that dealing with human asbestosis, and we will have this in your hands as soon as we possibly can.

Doctor Vorwald and all of us greatly appreciate your patience and kind understanding, and after reading the report, if you have any questions or comments, we would welcome them.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Thomas M. Durkan

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