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Dear Doctor Rossano:

I am answering your letters of May 10th, addressed to both Cholak and myself, at one and the same time, since both concern me. (Cholak spoke to me about his reply and I told him I'd take care of it).

First as to the biographical resume. I am now, as always hard pressed for time, and, therefore, I send you a more or less complete biographical outline. You will find what you need in it, I believe, but I suggest, if I may, without intending to be dictatorial, that it would be most to my liking if you were to make the introduction brief and simple by referring primarily to my position in this University. My best work has been done here in this Laboratory, and the rest of it is trimming.

As to the report of the Donora investigation, as we pursued the matter, no report was ever published. We prepared a report in manuscript form (of which there are several copies), but there was little purpose or occasion for publishing it, after the report of the USPHS group came out, for the reason that both groups came out (by somewhat different courses) to the same conclusion. We did not have the funds with which to publish it, and time was at a great premium during that period. Consequently, it was never published. I have had reason to regret this ever since, but I still do not see my way clear, nor do I have sufficient reason, to publish it.

Bill Ashe directed, and actually did most of the clinical work, and it was well done. Lester B. Roberts contributed greatly to planning of the survey, and Cholak and his group, of course, did the work of sampling and analysis. It was a good job, but, as I have said, above, that of Schrenk and his group in the USPHS was also good, and except for the different approaches, they came out with very nearly the same conclusions.

I dislike very much the expenditure of great time and effort and

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money on confirmatory publications, and I think I shall not bother now or further with this report unless some good reason for doing so turns up. However, I'll consult Ashe, Roberts and Cholak and see what comes of it.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosure: Biographical resume.