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Re: TBA Monitoring Data
Your Memo of September 10, 1976

Dear Bob:

Paul Kotin and I have carefully reviewed the TBA monitoring data which accompanied Norman Rhodes' letter of August 25, and find it acceptable in form for immediate transmission to OSHA.

In this regard, I suggest that either you or Guy Gabrielson forward the data to the OSHA Docket Officer with a short cover letter relating the data to Dr. Weil's statement, which was part of AIA's comments, and his reference to it. The cover letter should specifically note that although Dr. Weil saw this data in January, 1976 during his visit to the United Kingdom, the attached data was only received this month by AIA with authorization from TBA to release it to OSHA.

After giving some thought to the suggestion of also sending the data to Dr. Corn with a request for a meeting, I believe that such an action may be a mistake. As a result of my recent conversations with Grover Wrenn, the less that Dr. Corn is reminded about asbestos, the less likely he may be inclined to schedule a prompt hearing on the October 9, 1975 proposal. Once this data is submitted to the Docket Officer, it will be promptly forwarded to the Office of Standards, and may ultimately reach Corn. Although my feelings may be wrong on this matter, in any event, I doubt that a meeting with Dr. Corn would be productive in view of his stated philosophy of no safe threshold level of exposure for any carcinogenic agent,

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thereby requiring the permissible exposure limits to be reduced to the lowest level technologically feasible. The data and any arguments which we may present likely will not change his thinking on asbestos.

Very truly yours,

Dick

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cc Mr. Guy Gabrielson, Jr.