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Mr. J. W. Durstine

Subject: Carcinogens Task Force Report to E&R and M&S Subcommittees

Reference: Your letter to D. D. Baker, et al, dated May 1, 1980, same subject

As requested in the referent letter, Light Truck Engineering has reviewed the subject report and offers the following comments for your consideration in modifying the report prior to subcommittee presentation.

- The sentence on page of the Executive Summary that, "The top three of the eight priority substances, asbestos, chromium compounds and benzene, were examined in detail." This needs to be qualified to reflect the fact that just portions of the three priority substances have received intensive examination to date.

- The recommended strategy to eliminate the three carcinogens by Job #1, 1985 as stated on page 2 of the Executive Summary is probably optimistic for the reasons stated in the recommendations.

  A more compelling reason is the scarcity of available Company financial resources over the next several model years which would suggest that a three to five-year time span beginning in 1985 would be a more appropriate strategy for total elimination of the three top carcinogens.

- It should be recognized that Product Engineering Procedure PEP 3-189, although recently rewritten, has not as yet been reviewed and approved by all the affected activities.

Other than the three issues noted above, Light Truck Engineering concurs in the report as presented.

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