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Noting the Importance of Getting Dr. Gardner's Report

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Mr. Vandiver Brown,
Jonas-Manville Sales Corporation,
22 E. Fortieth Street,
New York 18, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Brown:

You will recall our telephone conversation and previous correspondence in regard to the report that was to have been made by Dr. Gardner as result of the test he conducted pertaining to the effects of asbestos dust in the interest of the members of the Asbestos Textile Industry who contributed toward the expense of the laboratory tests, which report was not completed because of Dr. Gardner's death and for obvious reasons before.

I think we agree regarding the value of such a report and, I feel, as things are developing that unless we as an industry do something to show what we have undertaken, and unless we establish the facts that have been proven by Dr. Gardner's tests, that we can expect that quack doctors and shyster lawyers will do much toward permanent injury of the interests of textile manufacturers and the people they employ. Is there anything that can be done to have this report compiled and prepared so that the information will be available to those who supported the program and to anyone likely to be interested in the facts that have been established?

I know that you have been closer to this situation than anyone else and I feel dependent upon you for whatever can be salvaged. If there is anything I can do that might be helpful I shall be glad for your direction.

With kind personal regards.

Yours very truly,

GATKE CORPORATION

Thomas L. Gatke

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