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November 22, 1966

To: All Members of the LIA-ILZRO Health and Safety Committee

Re: Lead Liaison Committee -- First Meeting

The first meeting of our newly constituted committee was held in Washington on November 17th at the headquarters of the Public Health Service. Minutes of this meeting will be prepared by the Public Health Service and will be sent to you when available.

Attached is a copy of the list of committee members as prepared by the PHS. We are also attaching a copy of a memo prepared for us by Hill & Knowlton covering HEW Secretary Gardner's press conference held November 17th.

A major accomplishment of the first meeting of our committee was the obtaining of agreement from PHS to proceed with a future Three Cities type study. Representatives from the AMA, API, LIA-ILZRO and PHS will be meeting in January to start things off. In this connection I call to your attention the remarks made by Mr. MacKenzie of PHS and reported in the attached Hill & Knowlton memo.

Very truly yours,

Don O. Fowler
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LEAD LIAISON COMMITTEE

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HILL AND KNOWLTON, Inc.
Environmental Health Unit Memorandum

November 17, 1966

Subject: HEW Secretary Gardner's Tuesday P.M. Press Conference

Papers Friday will be carrying stories about Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare Gardner's press conference on air pollution in which he issued a four-point statement. (Copies available on request.)

The four points will be covered here briefly:

1. An air pollution abatement conference is being called for the New York City-northern New Jersey area, with particular reference to the sulfur oxides and carbon monoxides. (Later, in answer to a question, Air Pollution Chief MacKenzie said a 50 to 80 percent decrease in sulfur emissions was indicated for these areas.) Similar conferences are called for Harpersburg, West Virginia, Marietta, Ohio, Leviston, Idaho, and Clarkston, Washington.
2. HEW is establishing vehicle testing facilities near Detroit to check performance of automobile exhaust emission devices due on the 1968 automobiles.
3. Sulfur oxide pollution is considered one of the most harmful and the federal government is extending its requirements on sulfur oxide control in federal installations to those in New York, Chicago and Philadelphia.
4. HEW will ask Congress for more funds next year to hold a series of conferences with state and local officials to get them moving on air pollution regulations. Gardner also urged more industry action saying, "Most industries have yet to take vigorous leadership in combatting air pollution."

With Gardner were Dr. Richard Prindle, director of the Bureau of State Services, Dr. Vernon MacKenzie, chief of the Division of Air Pollution, and Ron Linton, who heads the new HEW Task Force on Environmental Health.

Some highlights from the question period follow:

Asked to comment on the Drew Pearson column criticizing industry's attitude toward air pollution, Gardner said he would not describe industry as impeding air pollution efforts.

On a question saying more and more is being heard about lead in the air from gasoline and what is being done about it, MacKenzie said the Public Health Service is initiating action to implement recommendations of the 1965 lead seminar. In reference to the Three Cities survey, MacKenzie said follow-up studies of special groups with heavy exposures, such as those working in garages, were being carried on with the hope of getting better information. He said in these groups the Three Cities survey showed higher lead concentrations in the urine than showed up in blood tests (he did not elaborate). Asked if PHS was doing this or Ethyl Corporation, MacKenzie said I hope industry will assist us. MacKenzie was referring to the PHS survey of lead in the atmosphere of Los Angeles, Philadelphia and Cincinnati.

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Asked if the internal combustion engine would have to be outlawed, Gardner said, "It is in collision with the interest of the people." Whether it can be made more efficient or whether electric or turbine engines will replace it cannot be predicted now.

MacKenzie also said that the PHS is not now in a position to set standards for emissions from diesels, buses or trucks and it may be 1980 before necessary information is available to regulate diesels.

On the upcoming December 12-14 air pollution conference, MacKenzie answered a question as to cost with an estimate of \$100,000.

On new legislation, Prindle said they have their hands full to carry out the authority we have at present.

MacKenzie said the PHS was considering a new national research center on pollution but no decision on what or where this would be has been made.

(Note: Titles of Prindle and MacKenzie were officially given as above, indicating that the planned HEW re-organization has not officially gone into effect as yet.)

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