For immediate application is the knowledge that the control of diseases resulting from asbestos lies in the control of dust and that close attention should be given to reducing the dust exposure of workers with asbestos. This may be done by suitable exhaust ventilating systems where asbestos is handled at a fixed location and by the use of dust respirators where exhaust ventilation is not practicable as is often the case in handling insulation in the plant.

I shall be writing to Dr. Lewis J. Cralley, of the U. S. Public Health Service, who is in charge of their asbestos research program to find out what results are available at this time.

I plan to keep you informed of further developments.

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