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The attached request for contractor bids for a study of asbestos-related diseases (general population - ambient air) in California asbestos mining counties is provided for your information. A good thorough job could provide very worthwhile information. A quick once over by a contractor who has already decided there is a problem could result in a major flap. Note also that a preliminary unpublished study indicates asbestos as causing excess cardiovascular disease. This is my first knowledge of any such implication.

The protocol seems to be very objective and calls for a case-control approach. I plan to keep in touch with the contract award progress. UCC's normal policy is to cooperate with reasonable requests if asked. Do you feel it would be appropriate to take any more active role in providing whatever information we may have?

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