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AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

Dear Bill:

Recently, I conducted as part of the University of Pittsburgh project a study on an asbestos plant. This is a cohort study utilizing the Social Security approach. I am enclosing 2 tables and our observations.

The findings, I believe are very conservative of the true situation because of the fact that we have accepted in the cohort any worker employed in 1938 and 1939 in this company. Naturally there is a tremendous dilution factor here and this would be apparent when the study is redone as it relates to duration of exposure. As you know, Dr. Doll's work in England indicated as the exposure rate increased, the rate of lung cancer in the exposure groups markedly increased.

I feel that the cancer of the peritoneum which is approximately 30 times the expected rate is particularly important. I refer to the additional cases of abdominal carcinomatosis which require further investigation which may supplement further the cases of cancer of the peritoneum. In any event, I feel these are significant findings and warrant further epidemiological studies. These findings, however, are in accord with what has been observed in other countries.

I should like to take this opportunity to thank you again for the many professional kindnesses you have shown me and the guidance you have given to me in the field of occupational cancer.

Personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

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