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Dear Dr. Letham,

Thank you for your letter of the 2nd October 1961 concerning the employee ~~_____~~. I have perused his history with great interest and also looked at the slides which I return herewith as you requested. Thank you for letting me see them.

I have been in touch with the Company again a few days ago and I am informed that a conference was held with the Mines Department in Perth, a Mr. Thomas of Australian Blue Asbestos a mining engineer and an ex manager at Wittenoom were present. The Company has now made arrangements to take regular dust samples and make counts on the kouimeter and this will be done regularly in order to give a series of readings under varying conditions. Samples of dust have also been sent to ventilatory engineers in United States of America seeking their comments on dust counting particularly in relation to asbestos.

The Company will also be very pleased indeed to receive from medical sources advice on what is regarded as "safe dust count levels". It will then be possible to compare such recommendations with actual findings over a period of a few months. It will then be possible to determine whether further action is necessary. In the meantime I am continuing my enquiries along the lines of securing this information and I shall be most happy to receive from you any comments or advice that you may have at present or are able to procure.

This seems to me to be the sort of action that is desired in the circumstances and I hope that you agree. If not, I will be most interested to hear your further suggestions.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Dr. Bruce Hunt and Dr. McNulty.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

H. Maynard Rennie
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