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Mr. A.C. Smith,
Vice President for Research Development and Engineering,
Johns-Manville Research and Engineering Center,
P.O. Box 159,
Manville,
New Jersey 08855,
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Smith.

On behalf of my wife and myself, I feel that I must write to thank you for making possible our recent visit to the United States and for the splendid hospitality which we enjoyed during our stay. As you know, it was my wife's first visit - she had never expected to see your country and will treasure the memory always.

On the business side, I hope the visit accomplished its purpose from your point of view. I did my best to explain how the health problem is being handled both within our Company and in the industry as a whole through the operations of the Asbestosis Research Council. In touring your textile plants, I was able to draw attention to specific points where better enclosure, more ventilation, or damping could possibly lead to improved conditions, but my overall assessment of the environment was of necessity purely subjective. In this connection, I am very much looking forward to the proposed collaboration with Mr. Penner, which will lead to the exchange of dust data giving a direct comparison between similar operations in your plants and ours. Finally, you are aware of Dr. Knox's views regarding the role of the Factory Medical Officer. I would just like to add that an important factor contributing to the proper functioning of my own job is the close collaboration and understanding which exists between our Medical Officers and myself.

Please convey my thanks to all those who helped to make our visit such a memorable one and, on a personal note, pass our kindest regards to Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Smith (Snr.)

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Holmes
S. Holmes.

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