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Dust Levels in Rochdale and Hindley Green factories

As a background to the work being done by the B.O.H.S. on the "biological" M.A.C., I have extracted the attached tabulation from the recent Health Committee Dust Survey charts. I have taken note only of the readings within the last year or 18 months, ignoring the earlier ones. I have not used any sophisticated statistical method but merely my eyes. Possibly Dr. Holmes would not agree exactly with some of my values. If so, I should be glad if he would produce an amended tabulation.

I think it shows very clearly that we must make better progress with our [illegible] installation should do this. With the single cards at Rochdale: with all the yarn cards at Hindley Green and with the North cards at Rochdale. Spinning at Hindley Green will presumably respond to the measures just authorised, copying those at Rochdale.

I seem to remember that a diagram like this has been submitted by Dr. Holmes to the Health Committee on some previous occasion. Whether this is so, or not, I suggest that you might like to look at the situation this way in future.

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I have not looked to see how these values compare with those you and Dr. Addingley gave to the B.O.H.S. but I believe these

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are higher. Brian Harvey is very conscious of the fact that the 1965 Knox/Doll report is on the basis of relatively high figures like these, and he accepts that a "tolerable" M.A.C. may be much nearer to these levels than to the idealistic figure of, say, 1.5 fibres per cc which the B.O.H.S. is likely to recommend. In view of this I am contemplating sending him a copy of this diagram (omitting the first two lines and also the Single Cards at Rochdale). Before I take this thought any further, however, I should like Dr. Holmes to let me know whether or not he has yet got any figures from Mr. Walpole of the Chemical Inspectorate for comparison with our own.

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