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Subject: Mortality Study of Former Tyler Plant Employees of Pittsburgh Corning Corporation

Dear Dr. Waggoner:

Your Division initiated the subject study during 1971. Last week, Dr. Robert Fountaine of CDC, Atlanta, advised me that he attended a meeting at CDC Headquarters a few weeks ago in which you reported on the subject study. He recalled that you said you had found an excess number of deaths in this study which you attributed to amosite asbestos exposure.

I advised Pittsburgh Corning Management of the above and they asked that I write to you and determine the status of the subject study and obtain any information you have concerning the results thus far obtained.

Your prompt assistance in this matter will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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SUBJECT: MORTALITY STUDY OF FORMER TYLER PLANT EMPLOYEES OF TITUSBURG CORNING CORPORATION

Dear Dr. Wagoner:

May I please have a reply to my letter of April 16, 1974, regarding the status of the subject Study.

Your prompt reply will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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Dear Mr. Buckley:

Pursuant to our phone conversation of August 12, 1974, I am enclosing a copy of the abstract and tables which I have presented and also that which Dr. Wagoner presented in the meeting at the Center for Disease Control. You will note that some of the tables represent NIOSH medical and environmental findings at the Tyler plant along with findings by Dr. Selikoff, et al on family members of former amosite workers in New Jersey.

With reference to any excess mortality due to lung cancer among former Tyler workers, it must be noted that sufficient latency has just been reached by the earlier workers. It, however, is estimated from Dr. Selikoff's findings at the predecessor plant in New Jersey that some 200 excess deaths due to asbestos related disease are expected to occur over the next twenty to thirty years among Tyler workers. For this reason a medical surveillance program has been established by the Cancer Control Program of the National Cancer Institute to routinely examine (every six months) all former Tyler workers to insure earlier detection and treatment of asbestos related disease, with the hope of prolonging and saving lives that might otherwise be lost if such a program were not initiated.

I trust this response will answer your questions. If I can be of further service, please do not hesitate to contact me at 513/684-3514.

Sincerely yours,

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COMMENTS MADE TO R. BUCKLEY PER PHONE 7 OCT 74

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