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July 9, 1965

Mr. Wendell J. Brown
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Re: Asbestos Exposure

Dear Wendell:

Attached for your information is a copy of a letter we have received from Johns-Manville Corporation concerning their evaluation of asbestos fiber exposures. Apparently Johns-Manville keys its preventive measures to exposures in excess of a maximum allowable concentration of 5,000,000 particles per cubic foot of air.

It is very interesting to note their comments concerning the relationship of cancer and exposure to asbestos fiber. I would be very curious to know what the other "potentially toxic materials" were that could have contributed to the conditions found by the cancer study. It would be my recommendation that you write to Dr. Kenneth Smith, Medical Director for Johns-Manville for a more definitive explanation.

In the meantime, I will determine whether there are any other major suppliers of asbestos to whom we could write for an opinion.

Very truly yours,

UNITED STATES GYPSUM COMPANY

C. P. Kipp
Manager, Insurance

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