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Dear Hilton:

In case Michael Howe might not have had an opportunity to see you since he returned from the States, I am enclosing for your information an edited version of the speech made by Dr. Selikoff at the Boston meeting of the American Industrial Hygiene Association.

I am also enclosing a copy of the chart which Dr. Selikoff used in his presentation, as well as copies of two tables which he used in preparing the chart. The tables may be part of the data which you sent to him. I would be interested to know if this is correct.

The chart and the two tables were obtained by Ed Fenner of Johns-Manville from Dr. Selikoff's office here in New York.

Looking forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

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Executive Secretary

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In view of your comments and our previous correspondence we should like to remind you that we are in the process of reviewing and bringing up to date all the available data, and hope to present it for publication in the near future.

Dr. Holmes' remarks at Lyon were never intended to suggest that the DCHS Standard was not stringent enough. The DCHS Standard is 100 fibres years/cc and therefore application of a 2 f/cc limit for periods of less than 50 years has the effect of providing an ample safety margin. The DCHS Sub-committee, of which we are both members, recently reviewed the Hygiene Standards for Chrysotile Asbestos¹ in the light of the latest available data and recommended that no change be made at the present time.

We are forwarding a copy of this letter to the President of the American Industrial Hygiene Association, the Chairman of the ACGIH, the Director of NIOSH and also the Asbestos Information Association of North America in view of their obvious interest in this important subject.

Yours sincerely,



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