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Gentlemen:

Both because of changes in regulations and availability of data developed after the issuance of our report in 1964, Dr. Dernehl and I have revised the asbestos memorandum. A copy of the revision is enclosed.

The major changes are the decrease in the Threshold Limit Value from 5 million particles per cubic foot of air to 2 million particles per cubic foot of air. (There is also a provision for another method of counting but it does not appear applicable to our short fiber asbestos.) We briefly discuss mesotheliomas, but data is too scanty as yet for a definite policy to be established. It is worth mentioning that the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists considered in 1968 a requirement that airline respirators be required for all contact with crocidolite asbestos. The resolution did not pass, but may come up again in future meetings.

Any questions or comments will be welcome.

Very truly yours,

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