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I should like to see you about this
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Dear Dr. Winslow:

Thanks so much for your frank expressions of the third relative to the abrasive blasting situation.

Perhaps I am wrong, but I cannot avoid one of those technical "hunches" which we get once in awhile, which lead me to the belief, or maybe it is only a hope, that this situation can still be straightened out and all of us do our full duty with at least reasonable satisfaction to all concerned.

In the first place, your presentation in Germany seems to me to be of a type which could well be enunciated by any of the interests involved. It seems to express the ideas of the Committee, being founded on its work. It does not seem that the sand abrasive interests could take exception to such statements as are made in the reprint you sent me and certainly it embodies the necessary information, such as should be given in a publication of this character by the National Safety Council, with the object of protecting workers against air pressure abrasive blasting, which was the object of the entire investigation.

Now to consider the feelings of the Technical Committee, many of whom are quite eminent in their own fields. Supposing confidentially, we look at it this way: The National Safety Council receives a report from its Advisory Committee for such disposition as the Executive Committee may desire to make. The Executive Committee might say this is one source of our information, even though a major one, but we, the Executive Committee, are willing to hear further from any proper source of information. Then since there is some objection to our publishing the report of the Technical Committee verbatim, we, the Executive Committee will order the staff to prepare something for publication with the suggestion that it be based on a paper by Drs. Winslow and Greenburg, which in turn was based on the report of the Technical Committee.

If I had my own way about it, I think I should, if permitted, use the wording in your German publication and at least should hope to be allowed to use the summary of conclusions. I feel certain that the Executive Committee thought along these lines when item five of the Minutes was acted on.



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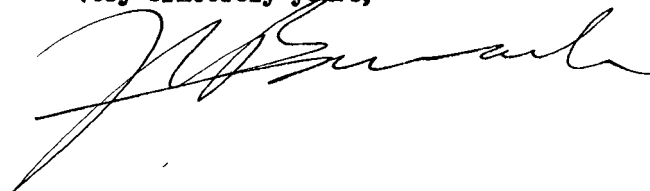
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If you and Dr. Greenburg will give us permission to do so, we think the staff can prepare something of value and fairly non-controversial based on your German paper and then perhaps as you suggest, it could be sent to the members of the Technical Committee for criticism and for statements as to whether or not they wish any acknowledgement of their work made in such an article. Your German paper makes such acknowledgement in the first sentence and as the scientific facts are as you have told us, sound, and the language conservative, clear and convincing, we might be able to fulfill all our objects with reasonable satisfaction all around.

Of course, the foregoing is a lot of words about what should have been fairly simple, but has unfortunately become a little complicated; on the other hand, if all the minds involved could meet, there should not be much objection to a properly worded article resembling yours to really point out the protective measures to be employed for the various abrasives.

Will you give this a little further thought and please write me again. I do not like to bother you, but do aim at equitable disposition of this item and need your comments.

Very sincerely yours,



J.I.Banash/CT

