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Dr. Sidney Wolfe
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Dear Dr. Wolfe:

Dr. Richard Sykes requested in his letter of March 26, certain information in our files relating to asbestos in talcum powder. Following review by Dr. Sykes of the material, we made available to him copies of the selected documents on July 12.

At that time we did not yet have Dr. Lewin's final report on the evaluation of approximately 200 commercial cosmetic talc products, however, we promised to forward this information to him as soon as it had been obtained and reviewed by us.

Since Dr. Sykes had left the Health Research Group in the meantime, I was informed to forward the information to you. Enclosed are copies of Dr. Lewin's report on the analyses of asbestos of commercial cosmetic talc products and a summary report on additional analytical work carried out on these samples by other investigators.

You may send a check in the amount of \$5.25 to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, Information Center (PA-15), 200 "C" Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20204, to the attention of Mrs. Ruth R. Cockerham. The check should be made payable to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. The charge covers reproduction costs for 21 pages at \$.25 per page.

I trust that we have now honored all requests made by Dr. Sykes on behalf of your organization.

Sincerely yours,

Robert M. Schaffner, Ph.D.
Director, Office of Technology
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