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Mr. Sarkis Ampian
U. S. Bureau of Mines
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Ampian:

Recently we discussed the current article by Rohl, Langer, Selikoff, etc. on Consumer Talcums and Powders which appears in the current November, 1976 issue of Journal of Toxicology and Environmental Health and which is being distributed about two months late by that publication.

The article has raised the eyebrows of several of us who have strong experience in that area of mineralogy, particularly the staff of the Colorado School of Mines Research Institute in Golden, Colorado.

I am giving you on a personal basis, a copy of the comments of Dr. J. Krause, who just sent me his views on the above article which he has apparently dispatched to the publishing journal. Please note that Dr. Krause sent me his critique as a personal communication.

Sincerely yours,



W. H. Ashton

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