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Dr. Ernest F. Fullam
P. O. Box 444
Schenectady, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Fullam:

We wish to thank you for your letter of May 2nd and for the set of cigarette samples which we received very promptly last week.

We note from your initial experiment with regular Kents, using the short cut technique which we thought might work, that you were unable to observe any silicate fibers in the specimens so prepared.

However from the third paragraph of your letter, we observe that you feel that if three, four, or five cigarettes are smoked in a reasonably normal manner into a small quantity (15 cc.) of acetone followed by centrifugation, a quite satisfactory sample can be obtained in a reasonable time. If this procedure will work for making the comparisons with which we are concerned, we would say by all means to go ahead.

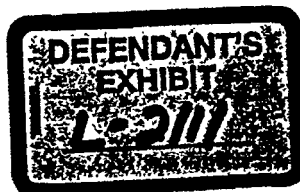
We wish to thank you again for writing us on May 2nd and hope that you will let us hear from you again as to how your modified method works.

Very truly yours,

P. LORILLARD COMPANY

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