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Internal Correspondence

TO

Board of Directors
International Affairs Committee

DATE

August 7, 1984

FROM

J.F. Welch
J.F. Welch, Vice President

SUBJECT

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) - Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
on National Revised Primary Drinking Regulations

REF: JFW correspondence, same title, July 6, 1984

ACTION REQUIRED: Review for information

Current Status

As mentioned in the above reference, EPA's Office of Drinking Water requested the Agency's Science Advisory Board to review evidence on the toxicology of ingested asbestos. Enclosed is correspondence from the Office of Drinking Water to the Science Advisory Board requesting the Board's assistance. The complete document is not provided because it is merely a recapitulation of information previously routed.

At Staff's request, Kirkland and Ellis monitored the Science Advisory Board meeting and summarized the discussion (see enclosure). According to special counsel, "The general consensus was that the ingestion risk was low to zero, but no one was quite willing to dismiss the (occupational) cohort GI cancers."

Also note that Dr. Joseph Cotruvo (Director of Criteria and Standards, Office of Drinking Water) reports that "nodules" have been found in chrysotile-fed rats in the National Toxicology Program (NIEHS) feeding study. Staff will determine the significance of these findings and advise by separate memo.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

JFW/lk

Enclosure

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