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Turner Brothers Asbestos Co. Ltd
Exchange of Asbestos Environmental Health Information

During my visit at Turner Brothers in Rochdale October 3-4, 1967, I had a general discussion with John Waddell, Ronald [illegible], John Knox, and others concerning the work we are doing on the asbestos environmental health problem. They, in turn, reviewed their activities in this field. As a result, Mr. Waddell asked if we would be willing to cooperate with them in the following ways:

1. Would we furnish Turner Brothers a copy of our report on the dust generated by the wearing of brake linings? Could this report be made available to Ferodo?

   In return, they would exchange information on their own studies of the composition of brake lining wear dust.

2. Would we be willing to make available to Turner Brothers the information we generate in our pipe flow test stand on the release of asbestos from asbestos-cement pipe under various conditions?

   In addition, would we be willing to give them data we develop in our monitoring of water from communities serviced by TRANSITE pipe versus communities serviced with cast iron pipe?

3. Would we be willing to exchange information we obtain in our clean box studies of the weathering of asbestos felt built-up roofing?

   They are doing similar clean box studies on asbestos-cement shingles and they would exchange this information with us.

Unless there are overriding business reasons not to do so, I recommend we exchange information with Turner Brothers on the items listed above. They have a competent R&D organization and by pooling our test data both JM and Turner Brothers can avoid duplication of experimental work and accomplish more than either one of us can alone.

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