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Asbestos Survey*

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Dear Roy:-

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The finding of one definite and one equivocal case of asbestosis in Baton Rouge indicates the need for further study. As an approach to the problem we suggest:-

- 1) Re-X-ray the equivocal case
- 2) Current chest X-ray on all asbestos-handling employees
- 3) Industrial hygiene survey of the asbestos-handling operation
- 4) Annual follow-up X-ray on all exposed personnel
- 5) Annual ventilatory function studies on all exposed personnel
- 6) Pre-placement selection for new insulator personnel to exclude employees with significant pre-existing pulmonary disease
- 7) Restriction of definite cases of asbestosis from further exposure to asbestos

We have suggested to Dr. Burdick that he have his chest X-rays on asbestos-exposed employees reviewed as an addendum to an industrial hygiene survey to take place in Houston in mid-July.

If you would like to discuss this problem, please let us hear from you.

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