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Mr. W. H. Ashton
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Dear Mr. Ashton:

Petrographic examination of a Vermont talc product labeled D-8, 5-20-63 shows the following mineral composition:

Platy talc	98 to 99 per cent
Nonplaty talc	trace to 1
Total talc	approximately 99
Carbonate minerals	less than 1
Opaques	0
Amphibole, chlorite, others	traces

The color is very good. The particle shape, platelet character, and delamination are excellent. Size distribution and bulk density were not determined. This product is superior to Italian talc in mineral composition.

Very truly yours,

William L. Smith
Principal Geologist

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