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IN CONFIDENCE

Dear Mr. Atkinson,

I am writing in reply to your letter of 12th September regarding the collaboration of Sir Richard Doll with your subsidiary company Turner Brothers Asbestos Company Limited in research into the possible association between exposure to asbestos fibre and lung cancer. I apologise for the delay in replying to your letter but it was necessary to undertake a thorough search of our archives before responding.

I regret to report that the relevant MRC file relating to this subject was destroyed in 1969. However I can confirm that Sir Richard Doll at Oxford has been carrying out longitudinal studies of the male employees of Turner Bros in Rochdale since 1954. The MRC supported this research until 1969 and it has subsequently been funded by the University of Oxford, DHSS and the Imperial Cancer Research Fund. Sir Richard Doll is still actively engaged in research and may be able to help you further if you wish to contact him directly. His address is Imperial Cancer Research Fund Cancer Epidemiology and Clinical Trials Unit, University of Oxford, Gibson Building, The Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, OX2 6HE.

I am sorry that we are unable to be of more assistance in this instance.

Yours sincerely,

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