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Mr. Ernest Muehleack,  
President,  
Keasbey & Mattison Company,  
Ambler, Penna.

Dear Mr. Muehleack:

You are correct in your understanding that there is not complete identity between those who sponsored Dr. Gardner's experiments and those who are presently members of the Asbestos Textile Institute. I believe it will be helpful for yours and Mr. Rohrbach's consideration of this subject if I provide you with the following list of those who contributed:

Keasbey & Mattison Company  
Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.  
Johns-Manville Corporation  
Southern Asbestos Company  
Union Asbestos & Rubber Company  
Oatka Corporation  
Asbestos Manufacturing Co.  
Russell Manufacturing Co.  
United States Gypsum Company  
American Brake Block Co.

The last four enumerated above are not members of the Institute. The first four enumerated above made the most substantial contributions, pledging and paying \$1,000 per year during each of the four or five years that support was extended to Dr. Gardner. The amount paid by the others was \$250 per year, and Russell Mfg. and Asbestos Mfg. Co. discontinued their contributions earlier than the others.

I am not sure just how the small committee should be created but, on the basis of contributions, it would appear that the four who contributed the most would be justified in setting up a committee composed of a representative of each. I would appreciate yours and Mr. Rohrbach's views.

Sincerely,

Vandiver Brown,  
Secretary.

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cc Mr. J. F. D. Rohrbach  
Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.

*Dr. Gardner  
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