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Asbestos Exposure and Neoplasia

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I have read the paper "Asbestos Exposure and Neoplasia" with great interest, especially since I heard the author, Dr. Selikoff, discuss this same subject at the American Industrial Hygiene meeting in Philadelphia on April 29, 1964. The enclosed newspaper clipping describes that event.

This paper is an example of the many discussions of the relationship between lung cancer and asbestosis with opinions pro and con based on inconclusive data and statistics. There is much erroneous thinking and irresponsible reporting in technical, hygiene and medical literature on this subject.

The Asbestos Textile Institute invited the U. S. Public Health Service to make a study of the asbestos industries in 1961 because of the stigma of "cancer". They felt that irresponsible reporting must be eliminated to avoid the high cost of compensation and product liability litigations.

The U. S. Public Health Service will conduct an unbiased survey. They have the money and trained personnel to establish the truth concerning asbestos and its relation to lung diseases (proper epidemiological study). The Asbestos Industry would get the maximum cooperation which they would not enjoy if State agencies conducted such a survey. The U. S. P. H. S. report would be statistically valid and would be used by all authorities including state agencies, compensation referees and lawyers. This study should give factual evidence and complete clarification of the issue and thus eliminate the irresponsible writing.

Dr. Cralley of the U. S. P. H. S. made a preliminary visit to our plant in Ambler which was reported to Mr. M. S. Davis, Jr. on March 8, 1963. This letter describes the medical and environmental teams which will probably visit one or two of our plants in the near future.

I would advise that we cooperate with the U. S. P. H. S. study, which may take as long as three days, in the best interest of the asbestos industry in order to help stop the alarmist reporting of irresponsible researchers who base results on a sampling too small to be statically valid.

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