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Bridgeport, Conn.
Oct. 1, 1935

Mr. Vandiver Brown, Attorney,
Johns-Manville Corp.,
22 East 40th St.,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Brown:

Enclosed is copy of a letter received from Miss Rossiter, of "Asbestos."

As I see it personally, we would be just as well off to say nothing about it until our survey is complete. I think the less said about asbestos, the better off we are, but at the same time, we cannot lose track of the fact that there have been a number of articles on asbestos dust control and asbestosis in the British trade magazines. The magazine "Asbestos" is in business to publish articles affecting the trade and they have been very decent about not re-printing the English articles.

I shall be pleased to have your opinion in the matter.

Very truly yours,

SS-G.

Enc. President

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TWENTY-TWO EAST FORTIETH STREET
NEW YORK, N.Y.

October 3, 1935

Mr. S. Simpson, President,
Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.,
Bridgeport, Conn.

My dear Mr. Simpson:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of yours of October 1st enclosing copy of the September 25th letter from the editor of the magazine "ASBESTOS". I quite agree with you that our interests are best served by having asbestosis receive the minimum of publicity. Even if we should eventually decide to raise no objection to the publication of an article on asbestosis in the magazine in question, I think we should warn the editors to use American data on the subject rather than English. Dr. Lanza has frequently remarked, to me personally and in some of his papers, that the clinical picture presented in North American localities where there is an asbestos dust hazard is considerably milder than that reported in England and South Africa.

I believe the question raised by Miss Rossiter might well be considered at the committee meeting scheduled for next Tuesday, at which I understand both you and Mr. Judd will be present.

Very truly yours,

Vandiver Brown
Attorney

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November 3, 1941.

Mr. Sumner Simpson,
President,
Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.,
Bridgeport, Conn.

Dear Mr. Simpson:

After receiving yours of October 31st, with enclosures, I communicated with Miss Rossiter and told her in substance that, while I could state on behalf of Johns-Manville Corporation - and probably on behalf of your company - there would be no objection to her including a review of the book on "Pneumoconiosis" in the November issue of "ASBESTOS", I felt there was considerable likelihood that a number of her subscribers would dislike an article on this subject in the trade magazine of the Asbestos Industry. I had in mind the ostrich-like attitude which has been evidenced from time to time by some members of the Industry. While I did not overemphasize this point with Miss Rossiter, but merely suggested she give it consideration, I am inclined to believe she will omit any review of the book in question.

Regarding Dr. Gardner, I am writing him as per the attached copy.

Sincerely,

Vandiver Brown

Vandiver Brown,
Secretary.

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