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Mr. B. W. Luttenberger

Asbestos Textile Institute 10 April 1956
Air Hygiene Committee

Attached please find letter dated 6 April from Dr. Shaw. I assume that our Company intends to participate in this program, which ties in very closely with a similar program already started by the Quebec Asbestos Producers Association.

If you have not already done so, will you please explain this program to Mr. Cilley, and there-after advise Dr. Shaw of your mutual decision.

By a copy of this memo I am asking Ralph Smith to reply to the letter in behalf of our General Asbestos & Rubber Division, after having discussed the matter with Mr. Heinsohn.

Whatever action is decided upon should obviously be a Raybestos-Manhattan decision. In other words we cannot very consistently say yes for Manheim and no for Charleston, or visa-versa.

In this same connection, I think it is important that you and Ralph Smith brief our representative prior to each A.T.I. Board of Governors meeting. The Air Hygiene Committee meetings are always held on a Wednesday, followed by the Board of Governors meeting Wednesday evening. Our representative on the Board of Governors should know what action you and Ralph Smith want taken prior to the time the matter comes up for discussion at the quarterly Board Meetings.

J. A. BETTES, JR.
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April 6, 1956

Mr. J. A. Bettes
Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.
Manheim, Pa.

Dear Mr. Bettes:

At the last meeting approval was given the Air Hygiene Committee by the Board of Governors to initiate a preliminary study regarding the relationship of asbestos and cancer.

Arrangements have been made with the Industrial Hygiene Foundation, Mellon Institute, Pittsburgh, to conduct a preliminary survey. This would determine whether there are enough data available through industrial and public health records to employees and general public, to substantiate a complete investigation.

It will be necessary for Dr. D. C. Braum of the Industrial Hygiene Foundation to visit each textile plant of the Institute members. He will want opportunity to discuss and review the format and availability of personnel records, medical records and X-rays, group health and life insurance records with the appropriate individual at each location.

Will you kindly designate, not later than April 12, 1956, the name of the individual at each plant location whom Dr. Braum should contact. Subsequent arrangements for schedules will be made directly with your designee.

It is anticipated that report of this preliminary survey can be made at our June meeting.

Very truly yours,
ASBESTOS TEXTILE INSTITUTE

Myril C. Shaw,
Secretary

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