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

Dear Mr. Simpson:

I have just received yours of April 27th and wish to state that I am not surprised at your surprise over Dr. Gardner's second progress report. However, I believe his findings tend to indicate that the harmful effect, if any, of asbestos dust is mechanical rather than chemical in nature, that is, results from large particles because of their size or contour. If this should be definitely established, it would certainly be good news - since it would negative any claims that the fibrosis is of a progressive character, such as is the case in silicosis.

I shall be interested in receiving any further comments which the report may bring from your doctors, and appreciate your offer to send them to me.

Sincerely yours,

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General Attorney.

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