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Mr. J. Rittenberg
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Dear Jeff:

In reply to your question regarding Century Plastics and RG-244/OSHA status, we still have no definition from OSHA on the required medical examination. Such a clarification is overdue and is now expected about July 1.

The data we gave you in the pamphlet, RG-244/Health literature, show that fiber levels normally experienced by RG-244 users is in the 1-2 fibers/ml range. This is well below the allowable limits of 5 and 10 fibers/ml. It is possible that these levels will be below the cutoff where physical exams are required.

The required medical examination is spelled out in the OSHA regulations and include pulmonary function tests as well as X-rays. The normal cost of these tests average about $50 per person.

We will, of course, let you know as soon as the anticipated action by OSHA is forthcoming.

Best regards.

Very truly yours,

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