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TO: LEGAL COUNSEL

We are enclosing herewith the following listed items:

Volume I
Environmental Factors of Occupational Origin
Related to Carcinogenesis - Ian MacDonald

Summary of Present Knowledge on Smoking in
Relation to Lung Cancer - American Cancer
Society

Recent Trends in Mortality From Respiratory
Cancer - Dr. Edward A. Lew

Volume IV
1954 - 235

We want particularly to call attention to the article by Dr. Ian MacDonald from the January 1st issue of the JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION because this outlines in a concise manner the belief that is held by the majority of experts in the field of cancer concerning the causes of cancer.

The item headed "Summary of Present Knowledge on Smoking in Relation to Lung Cancer" represents the opinion of the American Cancer Society as of last March, and for that reason has some importance in connection with any claims that the tobacco companies should have known of a danger that existed in smoking.

The article by Dr. Edward A. Lew of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company presents a studied opinion based on actuarial data, and we are for that reason sending it to you in complete form.

All of these items belong in Volume I with the exception of 1954 - 235 which should be inserted in Volume IV.

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