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May 1, 1964

Paul Gross, M.D.
Industrial Hygiene Foundation of America, Inc.
Mellon Institute
4400 Fifth Avenue
Pittsburgh 13, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Gross:

Upon the suggestion of Dr. Kenneth W. Smith, our chief medical officer, we are forwarding to you under separate cover thirty-two tissue slides of a former employee of ours, Garfield Goins. This Negro male was undergoing a course of treatment in a Veterans Administration hospital for active tuberculosis and expired quite suddenly on April 5, 1961.

Garfield Goins was born in Georgia on September 18, 1915. Our records indicate that he worked as a repairman in a tire retread shop in Georgia from 1940 to 1944, and served in the U. S. Navy from January, 1944 to November, 1945. He was hired by Johns-Manville on April 17, 1947, and worked for us until February 27, 1958. This period of approximately ten years at Johns-Manville was spent in our Rigid Shingles Department where he had a moderate exposure to asbestos fibre, silica, and cement. He quit Johns-Manville in February, 1958, with a notation that he was leaving town. We have information that he worked as a short-order cook upon leaving Johns-Manville.

We were subsequently advised that Mr. Goins admitted himself to the Veterans Administration Hospital in East Orange, New Jersey on January 6, 1961, with complaints of a rapid weight loss in previous six-week period. He gave a positive history of exposure to a known tubercular patient (his sister) for approximately 2½ years. His family history further indicated that both parents died of carcinoma and one sister died by suicide.

Periodic x-rays taken at the Johns-Manville Medical Department between the period 1947-1957 are negative with respect to any old or new pulmonary condition.

I am enclosing a copy of "Final Diagnosis" report supplied us by the Veterans Administration Hospital.

We have been served with a Dependency Claim Petition, on behalf of the widow, alleging that the characteristics of Mr. Goins' employment at Johns-Manville were responsible for his tuberculous condition.

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We would appreciate your reviewing the slides and advising us of your interpretation. Please return the slides to us upon completion of your studies.

Very truly yours,

Louis Hemerda

Louis Hemerda
Supervisor of Safety
and Industrial Hygiene

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K. W. Smith, M.D.

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