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Dear Dr. Glass:

Enclosed please find a copy of the report on my analysis of Cancer Mortality in Unicoi County. As I indicated to you in our telephone conversation on January 31, 1979, the summary and results sections of your draft should be rewritten to avoid the pitfalls inherent in the type of statistical analyses permitted by the available data, i.e., so-called indirect standardization for age. My report may assist you in this aspect. In addition, you will note the discrepancy in our death counts which you may want to renumerate. I have only addressed the epidemiologic aspects of the study and perhaps Mr. Gibson could assist you with the radiobiology in the preparation of your final report.

Thank you again for your assistance in providing the data for analysis. If possible, I would appreciate receiving a copy of your final report.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Robert Goldsmith  
Radiological Health Standards Branch  
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Gregory T. Gibson  
Region II

FROM: Robert Goldsmith  
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SUBJECT: REPORT ON CANCER MORTALITY IN UNICOI COUNTY

Enclosed please find a copy of the report of my preliminary analysis of Cancer Mortality in Unicoi County, Tennessee. I have forwarded a copy to Dr. Glass at the Center for Disease Control.

If I can be of further assistance, do not hesitate to call.

Robert Goldsmith  
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