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Dr. Walter Heyzen, Manager
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Dear Walter,

I am enclosing a copy of a letter which was sent to HRC by one of our consultants, Dr. Kenneth Rothman. He is an epidemiologist with the Harvard School of Public Health.

Dr. Rothman has become familiar with the 13th final report of the Health and Mortality Study as background material for another radiation epidemiology task which he is performing for us (a review of Dr. Irwin D. J. Bross' analysis on the effects of low level radiation). He would like to make a limited analysis of the Hanford Mortality Data. The information he desires is found on page 2 of the enclosure. His request to make this analysis was unsolicited, and we are quite interested in having him perform this work if possible.

Do you think that such data breakdown could be obtained from BNW? If so, I think that it would be valuable to have Dr. Rothman's analysis.

I have advised Dr. Rothman to call Sid Marks as you recommended in our telephone conversation of January 13, 1978.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

MA

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