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Dear Mr. Geyer:

During the May Damsel Committee meeting at Mound Laboratory, it was suggested, unanimously I believe, that Mound Laboratory report at the October meeting on the environment, history and surveillance data for reservoirs involved in airplane crashes.

At this meeting I expressed our desire to make such a contribution but that we lacked any detailed information of the crash conditions and environment. Since this data is available at Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, I suggested that it would be more convenient and meaningful if LASL assembled the data and made the presentation. Mr. Wechsler countered that it was appropriate for Mound Laboratory to make this report and that data could be obtained from LASL. I accepted the responsibility for preparation of this report since it would not interrupt our scheduled surveillance activities.

In a discussion with Dr. Richard Kandel I explained the type of data required for this presentation. I explained further that we intended to present the information without interpretation or recommendations. Dr. Kandel stated that Dr. Dunn would not release this information to Mound Laboratory and, in addition, assembly of this information was not our responsibility.

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If such crash and surveillance data are still desired, the Committee should solicit the aid of the LASL representatives. We all recognize that any surveillance data reported to the Damsul Committee has little significance without environmental history.

If there is still a desire by the Committee or Mr. Wechsler that we present this data, we shall be happy to do so.

Very truly yours,

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