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 P.O. Box 6500,
 Montreal.

Dear Leo,

Thank you for replying so promptly with your letter of September 16th and for undertaking to do tar and B.P. work on methylene chloride extracted cigarettes. I appreciate that you can get on at once by extracting cigarettes, whereas to extract cut tobacco and manufactured cigarettes will involve some loss of time. Nevertheless, because the matter is so important to us, I am sure it would be worthwhile doing the latter, namely to extract the cut rag and make cigarettes as closely as possible to the same firmness as the unextracted control since this will follow exactly the conditions under which manufacture of cigarettes by the N.B. process would proceed. Moreover, the effect on the smoke of weight and fill of the cigarette cannot be ignored.

The matter is certainly urgent and I am most grateful to you for picking it up so quickly, but nevertheless I feel that the results will mean much more and your work be more worthwhile even though we have to wait a little longer for the answers. However, if something startling comes out of your work on extracting cigarettes please let me know!

Kindest regards,
 Yours sincerely,

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 ✓ c.c. Dr. Felton, Southampton.

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