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Mr. W. Sanders,
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Dear Bill,

I enclose revisions to the original datasheets on FRC Projects which were recommended at last week's meeting.

GREENDOT: Proposed Revision

Project Objectives: To investigate the use of tobacco and materials derived from tobacco by various treatments in reconstituted or extruded form so as to give modified tars in terms of composition, quality and dose.

A key aspect of this project is reduction of tar/nic. ratio; a consumer trial is being completed on the Phase 1 product.

Elution of nicotine and flavourants from tobacco based materials (formerly included in project NOVA) will be pursued as part of GREENDOT.

NOVA: Proposed Revision

Project Objectives: To provide the scientific and technological foundation for the development of alternative, cigarette-like products in which the combustion of tobacco-based material is not the primary source of smoker satisfaction.

This objective was not supported but the work on nicotine and flavourant elution which may have "spin-off" benefit for current products should be retained as part of Project GREENDOT.

Project NOVA should thus be terminated.

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Other Noxae: Proposed Revision

Project Objectives:

To investigate chemical, enzymic or other treatments to tobacco that will reduce or increase specific minor constituents of mainstream smoke relative to tar or nicotine deliveries.

Consumer Need/Target Market

*To meet future regulatory needs.
To improve smoking quality of products.*

Leaf Aging Studies

Project Objectives:

To investigate tobacco aging for optimal quality at various durations (opposition generally have longer tobacco durations).

Aging may vary with tobacco type and climatic conditions of storage.

N.B. The first step will be to analyse previous group studies in this area to determine whether further research is appropriate.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

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