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Dr. Paul B. Pearson
Division of Biology and Medicine
U. S. Atomic Energy Commission
1901 Constitution Avenue
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Dr. Pearson:

As you may know, it is the general policy of this Laboratory to hold bi-weekly meetings for the discussion of topics of interest among the staff member personnel. I have been asked to present before this group the fall-out problem at the Nevada Proving Grounds, much as was done last week during your visit. The date of this presentation will be December 1, 1953.

The purpose of this letter is to request your assistance in providing the latest information on the "animal" problem associated with the assigned subject. It would be sufficient to present to this audience a summary of your findings in terms of the number of animals of each specie involved, the number of fatalities among each, the various avenues explored to determine the cause or causes, damage settlements negotiated, conclusions reached, and what you might consider, "unfinished business".

In fulfilling this request, the degree of security classification of any particular facet of the problem need not interfere since it will be a selective audience fully cleared to receive the information. I have no intention of limiting the discussion to the points mentioned in the paragraph above if you have additional data available. Rather, I have included this breakdown to give you a starting point and not to confront you with a vague, general request. It is my intention also to include some of the available information on the experiment with the sheep being conducted here.

It would be appreciated if this request could be filled by about November 15, 1953. Thank you for whatever assistance you may be able to provide.

Sincerely,

W. S. Johnson

W. S. JOHNSON
Section Leader
Test Operations Section

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P. S. Photographs or slides would indeed be welcomed, too.

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