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Dear Mr. Paradis,

In accordance with your request I visited Dr. H.T. Hall at Provo, Utah, on February 23, 1975. We reviewed the Material Synthesis Project, and I inspected his material and equipment shipment as described in his January 23, 1975 letter to you and attached list. The shipment is exactly as described and very well prepared for handling. The packing crates are extremely rugged and weatherproofed. All seams are caulked with silicone compound; all metal hardware is water proofed, and the whole exterior painted with several coats of outdoor paint. Lifting lugs are accessible for lifting the press. All three containers are suitable for shipping by air freight or sea.

All of the equipment contract requirements have been met, and a number of extra tools and materials were also added. I recommend that Dr. Hall's invoice be paid on receipt. Arrangements for insurance and shipping should

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be made as soon as possible. The shipment is occupying much of Dr. Hall's needed space.

In reviewing the project with Dr. Hall I asked how much time it would take to uncrate the equipment, assemble it and have it running provided the 220v power and a suitable lifting crane were available on his arrival at N.P.L. He said less than two days, and we agreed that it would be best if N.P.L. were to put the uncanceled equipment in place and wait until Dr. Hall arrived to start to commissioning work.

While we were at Provo Dr. Hall explained in detail how to set up and use the press so that Dr. Giardini would be familiar with it when he goes to N.P.L. for three weeks. I would like to suggest that it might be advantageous to time Dr. Giardini's arrival to overlap Dr. Hall's visit by a few days to insure continuity in this first phase of the project.

Communication with Dr. Agarwalla somehow led Dr. Hall to believe that he might be asked to provide the two weeks commissioning and consulting effort for the price of the equipment instead of the agreed upon \$7,000 as provided in the project document. I assured him this was not so and that he would probably be provided with a special service contract to do the work.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Fuchs

CC: Mr. J. Paradis