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Dear Bob:

Prior to Dan Rather's program, I called you and discussed the cancer rates in the world which disagreed with the following statement:

CBS News Special (8) —
"The American Way of Cancer."
"If you live in the U.S. today, your chances of getting cancer are higher than if you lived in any other country in the world. The relationship between the increase in cancer and our exposure to chemicals in our food, air, water and work places is the subject of this special report."

You talked to CBS in New York and were told that my facts were not the latest. I contacted the American Cancer Society in Tacoma, the Fred Hutchinson Institute in Seattle and the University of Washington Medical Library and they all agreed with the figures I got out of the Tribune (copy enclosed). They also all agreed that later figures would only change slightly and Rather's statement was completely false. Since I talked to you, the enclosed data was sent to us by the Council for Agricultural Science and Technology. Please especially read the bottom of page 6.

Yours truly,

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