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KAYLO DIVISION

October 6, 1954

Chief, Bureau of Ships
Code 345-C
Department of Navy
Washington 25, D. C.

Kaylo Pipe Insulation

Dear Sir:

We have recently taken steps to correct certain undesirable characteristics of our calcium silicate, brand name KAYLO, primarily in the field of tendency toward breakage. We have prided ourselves over the years in supplying a product that has been as uniform as has been possible to make. During the summer months, we have made some minor changes in the asbestos content of Kaylo, which we would like to hereby call to your attention. Briefly, this has been in the direction of increasing the longer fibre content to improve the hinging characteristics of Kaylo once a minor fracture occurs.

We, therefore, are taking this means of officially communicating this information to you and request that you examine it and possibly authorize a retest on the basis of an improved product.

If you accept this request favorably, we will be very glad to send to your laboratories whatever sample sizes and amounts you may require for these tests. We are interested particularly in your comments as to our qualifications under MIL-1-2781-B, dated 3 September 1954. If there is any further information you wish in the initial steps, please inform me and I will attempt to comply.

Very truly yours,

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Bruce F. Trumm
G & S Manager

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