

Page 94 1 culture. It's what they do. 2 BY MR. VALLAS: 3 Q And why do they do it, Mr. Austin? That's what I'm 4 asking. If you don't know, you can tell me. 5 A I guess I don't know what you're trying to get at. 6 Q Okay. Okay. Let me back up then. If you're 7 removing a gasket today, asbestos or non-asbestos 8 gasket with a wire brush or an electric wire brush, 9 what reason is there to-- Tell me all the reasons you 10 can think of for wearing a mask? 11 MR. CELBA: I'm going to object to the 12 form. 13 MR. VALLAS: It's a different question. 14 THE WITNESS: I'd be concerned with sparks. 15 I'd be concerned with anything that could be 16 dislodged. I'd be concerned with pieces of wire from 17 the brush, all those sorts of things. 18 BY MR. VALLAS: 19 Q So you wouldn't include dust on that list? 20 A That would probably be my least concern. 21 Q Okay. Fair enough. 22 MR. VALLAS: I pass the witness. Thank 23 you, Mr. Austin. 24 FURTHER EXAMINATION 25 BY MR. CELBA:	Page 96 1 MR. CELBA: That's all I have. Thank you. 2 (Proceedings concluded at 11:55 a.m.) 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25
Page 95 1 Q I just had one more question following up on that 2 last point. To your knowledge is there any dust to 3 any effect that comes off with wire brushing a 4 gasket? 5 A No. 6 Q Is it a dusty process? 7 A Well, I wouldn't use a wire brush to remove a gasket. 8 Q Is it a dusty process, to your knowledge, to remove a 9 gasket? 10 A Not particularly, no. 11 MR. CELBA: That's all I have. 12 FURTHER EXAMINATION 13 BY MR. VALLAS: 14 Q Mr. Austin, if you remove a gasket with a wire brush, 15 do you have any understanding as to whether or not it 16 can be a dusty process? 17 A Based on the studies I've seen, it doesn't appear to 18 be a problem. 19 Q Can you tell me what studies you've seen? 20 A The two we talked about, the med tox study and the 21 Spencer study. 22 Q Other than those? 23 A Other than those, I have no additional knowledge. 24 Q Okay. I appreciate it. 25 MR. VALLAS: Pass the witness.	Page 97 1 STATE OF WISCONSIN) 2) SS. 3 COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE) 4 I, SHEILA K. FAIRCHILD, a Notary Public in 5 and for the State of Wisconsin, do hereby certify 6 that the above deposition of GARY AUSTIN was recorded 7 by me on the 26th day of September, 2003, and reduced 8 to writing under my personal direction. 9 10 I further certify that I am not a relative 11 or employee or attorney or counsel of any of the 12 parties, or a relative or employee of such attorney 13 or counsel, or financially interested directly or 14 indirectly in this action. 15 16 In witness whereof I have hereunto set my 17 hand and affixed my seal of office at Milwaukee, 18 Wisconsin, this 1st day of October, 2003. 19 20 21 22 Notary Public 23 In and for the State of Wisconsin 24 My Commission expires: February 21, 2005 25