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Mr. Robert J. Udavcak
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Dear Mr. Udavcak:

Your letter dated May 13, 1977 concerning Georgia-Pacific Ready-Mix Joint Compound has been brought to my attention.

First of all, let me say that we are pleased that you have chosen Georgia-Pacific products for your home remodeling project.

To our knowledge, Mr. Udavcak, there is no known case where harm has come to someone from their use of our Ready-Mix joint compound containing asbestos fibers, even after prolonged exposure numbered in many years.

Your description of the use and handling of our product should eliminate any concern that you may have of being exposed to free asbestos fibers as the fibers were suspended in a wet state during mixing and application and are encased in a dried compound now making it virtually impossible for the fibers to become airborne.

As indicated on the can, precautions should be taken when sanding this product. Sanding will produce dust, which includes airborne asbestos fibers; therefore, a dust mask should be worn during any sanding operation.

I hope that after receipt of this letter you will rest secure in the knowledge that you need have no concern or anxiety over the exposure you or members of your family may have suffered, or may suffer in the future, due to the use of our product.

If I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me.

Yours very truly,

J. R. Hurd
Personnel Manager
Gypsum Division

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