

burdensome. Subject to and without waiving these objections Abex does not know with certainty each material which may have been used to promote or advertise its asbestos-containing friction products. Some documents which may meet the description of promotional and advertisement materials are on file and can be made available for inspection and copying upon receipt of an appropriate document request.

20. Have you stopped producing, distributing and/or selling any of the asbestos products listed in Answer No. 7 or which had been made available to or which were sold to any other defendants? If so state:

- a. the reason you stopped;
- b. when you stopped;
- c. whether any studies were conducted before you directed that production and sale be stopped and if so, identify each study by date, author, title and subject matter, and attach a copy.

ANSWER TO INTERROGATORY NO. 20: Abex manufactured and sold asbestos-containing automotive friction products from approximately 1926 to 1987. Abex ceased selling these products due to a shift in the demand of the automotive friction products market.

21. Does your company have knowledge that:

- a. asbestos causes asbestosis?
- b. there is a correlation between exposure to asbestos and the occurrence of asbestosis? If the answer to (a) or (b) is "yes", state what that knowledge is and when you acquired it.

ANSWER TO INTERROGATORY NO. 21: Abex objects to this interrogatory on the grounds that it fails to distinguish