

LONGVIEW FIBRE COMPANY

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Fluid Sealing Association
Attn: Brent Faber, Secretary
2017 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19103

Dear Mr. Faber:

I am the program chairman for a portion of the 1983 Technical Association of the **Pulp and Paper Industry Engineering Conference** to be held in Dallas, Texas on September 11-14, 1983. A concern within our industry is the impact of asbestos control regulations on the use of asbestos containing gaskets and packings. I understand your association has done a study on this subject and would be able to answer two pertinent questions:

1. Does normal handling of commercially available asbestos containing gaskets and packing release enough asbestos fibers to constitute a hazard?
2. Do satisfactory substitutes for these materials exist?
Are they more costly and do they have limitations?

If you have done such a study and can share your results with us, would someone from your organization be willing to present a paper at this conference? If so, I would like to discuss the matter further with that individual.

I look forward to your early reply.

Very truly yours,

R. G. Guide
Assistant Mill Manager

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