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February 23, 1972

Mr. P. F. McCarthy
Executive Vice-President
International Talc Co., Inc.
420 Lexington Ave.
New York, N.Y. 10017

Dear Mr. McCarthy:

In your January 5, 1972 reply to an inquiry on your product Mouldene by our Mr. Roach, you identified the fibrous portion Mouldene as "composed largely of the mineral anthophyllite".

Would this classify Mouldene as an asbestos or would you say it contains asbestos insofar as the Department of Labor Occupational Safety and Health Standards are concerned?

In your judgment, how does Mouldene talc rate as a hazardous dust and fiber? Are there special requirements we should observe when handling Mouldene?

Very truly yours,

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