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Evidence through Quality

To:

Pat Atkins

Subject: Asbestos

Evidently the courts threw out the TSCA asbestos ban in its entirety. I don't think that this should change Alcoa's long-standing policy to avoid purchases of new asbestos materials where that is possible. Do you think we need to publicly state this?



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File: Asbestos General

Appeals court k

By The Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — A federal appeals court Monday threw out a ban by the Environmental Protection Agency on importing, making or using asbestos, saying the EPA didn't give opponents of the rule a chance to make their case.

The ban was announced in 1990 and a seven-year phase-in began in August of that year. Several businesses involved in the asbestos business — as well as the governments of Quebec and Canada, where the minerals used to make

asbestos are min the ban.

The 5th U.S. Appeals sent the EPA for further

Asbestos, once insulation, boiler brake linings and is a suspected ca believed to cause when its fibers are es from asbestos ades to appear.

Opponents of would save few lives and hurt not strongly that asbestos is a sub- stance that should be controlled, message more difficult."

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