

1 brake performance, how the vehicle stopped, how the
2 driver perceived how the vehicle stopped.

3 Q Okay. After your research on that subject,
4 did you continue to be involved in research involving
5 friction materials?

6 A Oh, yes.

7 Q Okay. Could you tell the jury something
8 about that research?

9 A Well, there was a substantial quality
10 control problem on some brake linings and -- at the
11 end of 1963, and the scientific lab of the Ford Motor
12 Company was requesting, I think in early '64, to see
13 what could be done.

14 So the three major departments of research
15 started in early of '64, February or March, to see
16 what could be done to improve quality of brake
17 linings, and that program became a very major
18 program.

19 Q Okay. Just so we are clear, did Ford at
20 that time manufacture its own brake linings?

21 A Ford never manufactured brake linings or