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Re: Dresser Industries, Inc. - asbestos general

Dear Peter:

In response to your letter of September 7, 2001, I have been informed by our client that Dresser Industries, Inc.'s total shareholders' equity at June 30, 2001, was \$3,182,000,000. Should you need anything further in this regard, please do not hesitate to let me know. The referenced shareholders' equity figure was taken from the Second Quarter 10-Q filed with the SEC, Footnote 11, Page 18.

As an aside, please note that we recently changed our Firm name, which is correctly shown on this letterhead. Our address and telephone and fax numbers remain the same. Our e-mail address has changed to godwingruber.com.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Don Godwin
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