

4. From 1930 until the present, did the asbestos products manufactured or distributed to you, contain any warnings, caution, caveat or other statement on the product or its packaging; if so, state: _ _

ANSWER: See 1. With respect to brake linings, Ford's answer is yes.

a) When did the warnings first appear.

ANSWER: When in the mid-1970's, Ford became aware of the alleged potential health hazard of asbestos associated with brake linings, there was already a general awareness, existing government regulations, and other warnings and instructions furnished to users.

Ford did not manufacture the brake linings or the cartons in which they were shipped. With respect to brake linings sold as components of new vehicles, Ford is unaware of any feasible and useful method of labeling the component part. With respect to after-market products sold by Ford, labels were placed on cartons in 1980.

b) What was the precise wording of the warning when it first appeared.

ANSWER: See 4 (a). Those labels read along the lines such as: