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Mr. Bud Murphy
Murco Wall Products, Inc.
300 N.E. 21st Street
Fort Worth, Texas 76106

Re: Asbestos Containing Joint Compound

Dear Mr. Murphy:

We are very concerned about the use of asbestos fiber in Flintkote labeled materials. For this reason we are requesting that all Flintkote labeled joint system products be a non-asbestos type as soon as possible and no later than October 1, 1976.

It is understood your non-asbestos formula is competitive in quality and is priced the same as the asbestos type.

With the change in formula, please plan to revise the Caution label on the 5-gallon cans and 4-gallon boxes. New artwork for the labels will be forwarded.

We will continue to make labels available at cost for 1-gallon pails and replace at no cost to you any unused 1-gallon labels that have the Asbestos Caution.

You are probably aware of consumer proposals to require caution labels on joint system products containing crystalline silica.

Please advise me as soon as possible if your products contain this either as an additive or an impurity. We may desire to revise the Caution label for crystalline silica and other dusts. Your suggestions would be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

THE FLINTKOTE COMPANY

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