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GLASS REINFORCEMENT

In your December monthly report, I note that further work toward glass fiber reinforcement in pad poured Kayle has been deferred by Marketing's decision not to support Kayle development in 1971. There is a statement that "Some trials on glass reinforcement of filter press were mill to made at manufacturing's request in 1971."

To the best of my knowledge, Manufacturing has not made any requests to support trials on glass reinforcement in filter press ware.

Manufacturing would only support such a program if the glass reinforcement had possibilities of being lower in cost or improved properties of the finished product. The last information I heard about glass reinforcement was that there were still problems on how to achieve attachment of glass fibers to the Kayle matrix and costs were much higher than asbestos.

In summary, Manufacturing support funds are not to be used for this purpose unless there is proper justification for such a program.

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