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Subject: additional heads up on the PCBs in caulk school issue
Attachments: PCB school caulk issue NY Lawyers in Pubic Interest Release Oct 09.doc

This represents additional development on the “sleeper” issue for Monsanto, PCBs in caulk in school buildings which led to recent new EPA guidelines for how schools should manage this issue. Monsanto has had to defend itself in a few of these lawsuits seeking reimbursement for caulk cleanups. I don’t know of any personal injury lawsuits involving children.
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Subject:

Our media story database searches picked up this lengthy story on the PCB’s in school building caulk issue from a media outlet that appears to cover the Brooklyn area of New York.

It appears to rely heavily on a news release from New York Lawyers in the Public Interest, as well as the EPA’s recent guidelines on addressing the PCB’s in caulk issue. It quotes parents who have filed suits on this issue. The story also quotes David O. Carpenter, no doubt the same person who testified as a plaintiff’s witness in the Anniston PCB cases.

As you know, we have a stand-by media statement dealing with the caulk issue should it lead to inquiries.

Bob

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