

Abex's asbestos-containing automotive friction products contained approximately 25 to 70 percent chrysotile, only. Abex's asbestos-containing automotive brake linings were shaped into curved, linear segments and pad shapes. Abex's asbestos-containing automotive friction products were applied to the brake shoe using rivets, bolts or a heat curing process. Abex's asbestos-containing automotive friction products were generally packaged in cardboard boxes according to size. The brand name appeared on the packages as did the product name, from time to time.

Abex manufactured and sold asbestos-containing railroad friction products under the trade name "Comet." Abex manufactured and sold asbestos-containing railroad friction products from approximately 1957 to 1977. Abex's railroad "Comet" brake shoe contained approximately 5 percent chrysotile asbestos, only. Abex's asbestos-containing railroad brake shoes had curved, linear segments of friction material integrally attached to steel backings. Abex's asbestos-containing railroad friction products were generally shipped on pallets according to size. The brand name may have appeared on the pallet as did the product name.

Abex's asbestos-containing automotive and railroad friction products are generally designed to assist in the stopping or control of a moving object.

In addition, Abex discontinued the manufacture and sale of asbestos-containing friction products in 1987 and no longer operates any friction product manufacturing facilities. There are no current Abex employees, officers who worked for Abex, or directors who sat on its Board during the period Abex manufactured and sold friction products with personal knowledge of the information contained in all the records and documents that might be responsive to this interrogatory.