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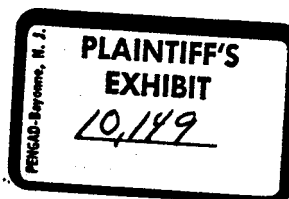
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14th May, 1946.

PRIVATE.

The Mine Manager,
WITTENOOM COORGE.

Dear Sir,

On the A.B.C. State News (6WF) at 7.45 a.m.
on 13th inst., mention was made of our workings at Wittenoom.

A copy of the script was obtained from the A.B.C.
and is enclosed. Both our Secretary and myself have been
asked, per telephone, if we wish a reply to be broadcast
and in each case, a reply of "No Comment", was given.

Please advise if you wish any reply given to the
A.B.C. If so, will you outline the text,

Enclosed is a copy of the letter, dated today,
sent to Dr. Hensell of the Perth Chest Clinic, after our inter-
view.

Referring to Mr. Oliver's letter, para. 3. as far
as can be ascertained no complete examination can be obtained
from the Perth Public Hospital to comply with the Commonwealth
Laboratory Certificate.

Yours truly,

For AUSTRALIAN BLUE ASBESTOS LTD.,

Perth Engineer.

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STATE NEWS : 13/5/48

7.45 A.M.

Complaints about working conditions at the Wittenoom Gorge Asbestos Mines have been made to the State Mining Engineer, Mr. Foxall, by the Australian Workers' Union.

The Union's Divisional Secretary (Mr. Oliver) said in Kalgoorlie yesterday, that everything about the mill was laden with thick dust, and the Union was concerned over the danger to the health of workers. Mr. Oliver said the Union also objected to men being engaged to work in these mines on the authority of a Provisional Certificate, which did not give them protection by workers' compensation or Mine Workers' Relief Acts.

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