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INQUIRIES ABOUT KAYLO

I have been receiving inquiries from various sources about the health hazards of our Kaylo products and I assume that this will continue. No doubt, Dr. Selikoff's articles have created rather broad concern about this subject. The latest inquiry came from the Navy Department, Washington, D. C.

The reason for this memo is that I believe you should be kept informed about the status of the situation and that we should continue to give serious consideration to the labeling of our Kaylo products in a manner similar to that currently being used by Johns-Manville. In my opinion, the fact that Johns-Manville is labeling their preformed products is in itself a pressure on the whole industry to consider labeling.

I do not know how many states will allow suit to be brought against negligent manufacturers despite the existence of a Workmen's Compensation Law. I do know that this may be done in certain states and that if it is done, the amounts requested are usually sizable. This problem is one for our Legal Department to decide.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "F. H. Edwards".

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