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I have two suggestions for General Electric that may assist them in avoiding fiber contamination of their workplace during removal of old asbestos rope.

1. Continuously vacuum clean around the opening as the old packing is being removed. Immediately vacuum any fibers that spill on the equipment or floor.

2. Wet the asbestos rope prior to removal, then immediately vacuum clean any spills on equipment or floor.

The removed material must be disposed of in accordance with the U.S. EPA National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Asbestos Emissions (40 CFR Part 61).

Enclosed is a list of vacuum cleaner manufacturers who claim their vacuum cleaners are suitable for use with hazardous materials including asbestos fibers. The only two units with which I am personnally familiar are Nilfisk and Hoffman.

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