These are asbestos fibers here.

Q You have that at higher magnification?

A This, again, shows the same hole, and now we can see the asbestos fibers sticking out.

Q And these were new brakes?

They had not been worn?

A That is correct. That is my understanding.

If you took your finger and rubbed across this area or some of the other areas, you would get the dust to come off.

Q Okay. Let's see the next slide.

A This is the edge of the brake shoe.

We are now looking at it from the side view, and you can see that on the edge there are a number of asbestos fibers and other particles that are protruding, sticking up.

Q Am I correct, Doctor, you had not performed any tests on these brake shoes prior to these pictures?

A That is correct. These are brake shoes as we received them.