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Jim & Jack

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Note the wire attached, hereto, from Doug Wood which is selfexplanatory and covers a wider range of talc containing products than we are presently concerned with. His references to talc free apply only to Resurfo Powder and Paste in which they are going to use a duramite clay. Other references to talc free means tremolite free in that it would be Winsor talc instead of the Nyltal Vanderbilt material.

In any case, the important thing is that when we switched over to an asbestos free formula (with the exception of the Roll-On Texture) -- when we switched over to the asbestos free formula on SX Joint Cement last August and also on Pre-Mixed Joint Cement, these products were immediately formulated with the tremolite free Winsor talc regardless of whether it was the St. Louis or Toms River location.

Accordingly, SX Joint Cement from both locations has been asbestos free and with the right type of talc since late August 1976/on Pre-Mix Joint Cement, St. Louis gallons asbestos free since December 1976, 5 gallons since April 1977;/Toms River gallons and 5's of Pre-Mix since April 1, 1977.

While St. Louis has a small quantity of Resurfo Paste in stock and made up with the clay, this is not true of the powder. All we have done at both plant locations is to stop any further shipments of Resurfo Powder or Paste or Metro Spackle as well as any bags of the 100A, 200B, 500C Joint Cement as of April 29, 1977 and until such time as we can get into production and develop a stock of the Resurfo without talc and the Joint Cements without asbestos and the proper Winsor talc. We have also made this applicable to the Chicago and California warehouses until we can switch over.

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P.S. Metro Spackle shipments will not be held up since formula no longer contains either talc or asbestos.

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ST LOUIS NEWS NOTHING MENTIONED ABOUT TREMOLITE SIMPLY SOME ASBESTOS
PRODUCTS HAVE BEEN BANNED NAMELY SPACKLE COMPOUNDS, WALL PATCHING
COMPOUNDS & FIREPLACE LIPS. THOSE PRODUCTS THAT HAVE IN THE PAST
CONTAINED TALC WITH TREMOLITE ARE:

ACOUSTIC VERMICULITE
ACOUSTIC CEILING SPRAYS
ACOUSTIC SPRAY RESURFACERS
BONDEX WHITE & COLORS
HEAVY DUTY BONDEX
ROLL-ON TEXTURE
RESURF POWDER & PASTE
VINYL
TREE TRUCK WHITE
READY MIX DRAMEX
DRAMEX WHITE & COLORS

THOS PRODUCTS ALREADY SWITCHED OVER TO TALC FREE FORMULATIONS. READY
MIXED DRAMEX APPROX 2-1/2 MONTHS AGO. THE BALANCE OF THE ABOVE
PRODUCTS THAT ARE IN STOCK WOULD ALL CONTAIN TALC WITH THE EXCEPTION
OF 1/2 PINTS AND QUARTS RESURF PASTE TALC FREE PLUS MONTGOMERY WARD'S
THARIS PASTE

THOS RIVER WILL NOT HAVE SWITCHED TO ANY TALC FREE
FORMULATIONS AS THEY STILL HAVE 10-15,000# OF VITAL 230 AND OF COURSE
I WAS TRYING TO USE IT UP. BATCH COOLER HAS NOT BEEN WORKING PROPERLY
SINCE IT WAS INSTALLED 3 WEEKS AGO. AS A MATTER OF FACT THEY ARE
SUPPOSED TO BE OUT TO THE PLANT TODAY TO MOVE THE UNIT TO A DIFFERENT
LOCATION ON THE HAYSSEN OVERWRAP TO SEE IF WE CAN GET IT WORKING
PROPERLY. THERE ISN'T ANY TALC IN ANY OF OUR ASBESTOS FREE
FORMULATIONS SUCH AS PRE MIX JOINT CEMENT AND OUR COMPLETE LINE ON
SK JOINT POWDERS. ALSO COMPLETELY OUT OF ROLL-ON TEXTURE WILL BE
MAKING THIS PRODUCT ONE DAY NEXT WEEK AND OF COURSE IT WILL BE
TALC FREE. ALSO OUT OF STOCK OF SPRAY RESURFACER FINE WILL BE
MAKING THAT NEXT WEEK AS WELL. WHITE POWDERED DRAMEX IN 5# BOKES
ALSO TREMOLITE FREE AS WELL AS ASBESTOS FREE INCLUDING EVERYTHING
THAT WE HAVE IN STOCK. WE STARTED MAKING AND SHIPPING THAT WITHOUT
TALC OR ASBESTOS A WEEK AGO TODAY

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LAST LINE SHOULD READ 1 WEEK AGO NOT WEEK AGO

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K-Mart
Ace
Cotton

Pathe
ce products with Asb.

100 - 200 - 500
Block Filler

~~Drum Powder~~

5x Topping

5x Joint

5x 4# coal

water & wood Potty

Pre M. & JT.

Handy Patch -

K-Mart only for
3# SX = 4# true since 8/30/76