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PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT

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intracompany memo

to Mr. E. B. Hollingsworth

location Wiln. Del. Gyp.

from O. E. Burch

location Portland

subject One Gallon Ready-Mix

date July 22, 1976

Brad, I hope that you and Bob will accept my personal apology if my TWX of 7-16-76 started a reaction that was embarrassing to all concerned. I hope that you will agree that the reaction was triggered by the newspaper announcements, that very day, of a petition to the Consumer's Trade Commission concerning Asbestos Free Joint Cement, and specifically naming G-P.

In my own defense I would like to point out the following sequence of events.

1. Regarding my TWX to Bob. You refer to my TWX stating "our firm instructions." The "our" referred to Dave Corkill, Bill Lehnert, and myself. We were instructed to switch one gallon to Asbestos Free immediately. I assumed you and the plants received the same instructions. Evidently an assumption I should not have made. For that I'm sorry.
2. I had just prepared the TWX (with no carbon copy to G. E. Wilson) when Glenn called me in and showed me the newspaper articles. After reading it he said that he was sure happy that we at least had switched all one gallon consumer products to Asbestos Free at the plants. I felt I had an obligation to tell him that we were not completely on Asbestos Free at all plants, since there may have been others not on the Asbestos Free product also.

Please be assured that I had no thought of causing you or Bob embarrassment. If I did so I am sorry and I hope you will both accept my apologies.

O. E. B.

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cc: C. W. Lehnert - Tigard Lab
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