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Dear Mr. Grospiron:

Regarding your telegram of February 8, 1972, the Emergency Standard for Asbestos promulgated on December 7, 1971, called for significant reduction of employee asbestos exposures either by engineering or administrative controls. The selection of asbestos as a target health hazard is evidence of the Labor Department's concern for exposure to this material. Mr. James H. Bierer, President of Pittsburgh Corning Corporation, in a telegram to me dated February 10, 1972, has stated that "Pittsburgh Corning never planned to, and will not transfer operations of Tyler, Texas, Plant to any other plant and has ceased asbestos production entirely. Pittsburgh Corning has no plans for further use of Tyler Plant."

In the event a new owner were to purchase the Tyler Plant, he will be required to meet the asbestos exposure requirements of the Emergency Standard.

Very truly yours,

George C. Guenther
Assistant Secretary of Labor

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