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— QUALITY FRICTION MATERIALS SINCE 1919 —

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State of Illinois Pollution Control Board
189 West Madison Street
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Att: Mr. Samuel T. Lawton

Gentlemen:

As a brake lining manufacturer whose product contains asbestos we are much concerned over the Illinois Proposed Ban on Asbestos in Brake Lining, particulated by Part VII, Section 702 from the regulations proposed by the Illinois Pollution Control Board.

Our company, and our industry as an entity, is definitely not interested in producing products which will have harmful emission effects in the atmosphere. But we do believe the above cited section of the proposed law does not have evidence to back up its severity---evidence that proves a harmful emission-factor as a result of/or because of the asbestos content in friction materials.

On the basis of reports of testing emissions we believe that although it is within the power of the State of Illinois Pollution Control Board to have asbestos banned from brake linings, we feel that to do so would eliminate an effective and useful brake lining component without justification.

We are certain that many of the emission tests have been forwarded to the Board, and that the Board is aware of the tests of emissions now being made by the Federal Environmental Protection Agency. We believe that this data will be most helpful in determining the effects of asbestos-emissions from use in brake lining, and will establish whether these emissions are of any danger or if they are negligible.