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OWENS-CORNING FIBERGLAS

1. 1941-42 - Fiberglass - asbestosis weapon in reserve.
2. 1943 - Mixing asbestos with fiberglass will smear fiberglass as hazardous.
3. 1957-1963 - 10 workers' compensation claims by OCF employee insulation workers: asbestosis, cancer.
4. 1957 - Everyone in our company is conscious of the interest of asbestos workers in problems of asbestosis.
5. 1958 - Kaylo test reports transferred to OCF.
6. 1963 - Asbestos in Kaylo causes cancer.
7. 1964 - Discount Selikoff study - Kaylo not on market long enough.
8. 1964 (Aug.) - Should OCF follow J-M lead - label.
9. 1966 - Selikoff: 1 fiber can cause cancer - TLV too high.
10. 1965-1968 - Continuing delay over warning labeling. Fears of: government blowing whistle on asbestos, D-Day for substitutes, danger point forcing replacement, publicity, liability.
11. 1970 (Sept.) - Warning labels - delay as long as possible.
12. 1966-1976 Member of IHE