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FROM: R. J. Bragg

SUBJECT: Asbestos

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We are coming "down to the wire" on our Mono-Kote reformulation work, whose chief object is the elimination of asbestos from the product. At this point, our most promising formula utilizes an organic fiber.

Tom Egan, in preparation of promotion of the new product, has to be concerned about the emphasis which may be used on elimination of asbestos. Whether he calls Mono-Kote "asbestos-free" or some other adjective, he needs to be sure that it is in indeed free of asbestos. With the elimination of asbestos fiber which we have added in our blending plants, the remaining worry is the amount of asbestos that may be present in expanded vermiculite.

I've advised that we use wet separation in both beneficiation mills and that it is highly improbable that detectable levels of asbestos could remain on the ore concentrate. I also expect that whatever minute quantities of asbestos remained on the ore, they would be eliminated by the actions of air separation and stoner activity in our expanding plants.

Please advise us of your opinions in this matter.

R. J. Bragg

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