

Mr. D. G. Braddy
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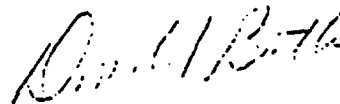
Dear Mr. Braddy:

Our R & D lab here has recently received an "asbestos substitute" known as Hedman Cationic Fibre. This is a mineral fiber mined in Canada and Hedman's manufacturing representative has assured us that it is not asbestos.

We would like to have an analysis run on this material to tell us if this material is not asbestos. One suggestion that we have along these lines is an X-ray diffraction test checking the crystal structure. We favor this since there seems to be no difference in the chemical compounds making up this material and those making up chrysotile asbestos.

Enclosed is a copy of the supplier's data sheet.

Sincerely yours,



Donald Butler

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Enclosure

