

RESPONSE TO INTERROGATORY NO. 41:

See General Objections. Abex further objects to this interrogatory on the grounds that it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, vague, ambiguous and speculative.

Objection is also made to this interrogatory on the ground that the terms "directions," "possible health effects," "person" and "use" are undefined or insufficiently defined, and call for speculation.

Abex further objects to this interrogatory on the ground that it purports to shift the burden of establishing causation from plaintiffs to the defendant.

Abex further objects to this interrogatory to the extent to which it seeks information regarding time periods and products that are not at issue in this case on the ground that such information lacks relevance, and is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. Abex further objects to this interrogatory on the ground that the information it seeks otherwise lacks relevance to the issues arising in this case, and is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.

Abex further objects to this interrogatory on the ground that it assumes the truth of matters not established or matters not in evidence.

Subject to and without waiving these objections, and insofar as it understands this interrogatory, in the mid-1970's, and perhaps earlier, Abex commenced the placement of warning labels on its asbestos-containing automotive friction products. This label read as follows:

Caution
Contains Asbestos Fibers
Avoid Creating Dust
Breathing Asbestos Dust May Cause Serious
Bodily Harm

Abex does not believe the wording of this warning was ever changed.