

ounce in the total United Kingdom beer production of over a thousand-million gallons a year.

In addition, a consensus report from a 1972 international meeting on asbestos-health sponsored by the World Health Organization found no "evidence of an increased risk of cancer resulting from asbestos fibers present in water, beverages, food or in the fluids used for the administration of drugs."

QUESTION

Is the atmosphere being polluted by asbestos sprays used to fireproof the superstructure of buildings under construction?

ANSWER

The use of asbestos-containing, spray-on fireproofing compounds in high-rise building construction has been banned in the United States by the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) because the methods developed for the control of emissions of fiber from these sources proved to be ineffective.

Once this fact became established, the asbestos manufacturing industry concurred with the EPA that the use of spray fireproofing compounds should be prohibited.

QUESTION

Are asbestos-containing modeling compounds still being used by school children in art classes in the United States?

ANSWER

From time to time, a newspaper will carry a report that children in a local school or YWCA are using asbestos as a modeling compound to construct puppets or sculpt heads. This normally results in excited denunciations by local politicians and others, who demand that the practice be stopped. Simply speaking, the asbestos industry agrees with them — the practice should be stopped.

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