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re: Paul J. Greischar vs
Pland Rubber Asbestos
and Employers Group
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Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith find Amended Application showing additional employers and insurance companies and we would request these parties to be joined and Notice of Hearing be sent out to each.

Copies of Amended Application have been sent to all the employers, insurance companies and attorneys.

Very truly yours,

SMITH, PARRISH, PADUCK & CLANCY

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EMPLOYERS	PERIODS
1. Plant Rubber & Asbestos Co. 475 Brannan Street San Francisco, California	1942 to 1947; 1949, 1961
2. Western Asbestos Company Box 3784 Rincon Annex San Francisco, California	1946 to 1951; 1959 and 1961
3. Cork Insulation Co., Inc. 155 East 44th Street New York, New York	1946 and 1947
4. Plant Asbestos Co. 1300 - 64th Street Emeryville, California	1949, 1951; 1961 and 1962
5. J. Thorpe & Son, Inc. 1351 Ocean Avenue Emeryville, California	1951; 1958 to 1961
6. Fiberglass Engineering P.O. Box 89 Santa Clara, California	1954, 1956, 1962 and 1963
7. Owens Corning Fiberglass P.O. Box 89 Santa Clara, California	1954-1956; 1958 and 1959
8. M. R. Carpenter 907 Front Street Sacramento, California	1955; 1962
9. Parker Insulation Contracting & Supply Corporation 151 Bayshore Blvd. San Francisco, California	1951, 1961
10. Armstrong Contracting & Supply Company 304 Shaw Road San Francisco, California	1961
11. Parker Fallis Insulation Co. 1074 Orleans Street Dallas 10, Texas	1961 and 1962
12. Armstrong Cork Co. 304 Shaw Road San Francisco, California	1952
13. Triangle Insulation, Inc. Route 7 Paducah, Kenn.	

INSURANCE CARRIERS	EMPLOYERS
Employers Group 1050 Russ Building San Francisco, California	Plant Rubber & Asbestos Co. and J. Thorpe & Sons, Inc.
State Compensation Insurance Fund 525 Golden Gate Avenue San Francisco, California	Western Asbestos Co. and M. R. Carpenter
Aetna Casualty & Surety Co. 1330 Broadway Oakland, California	Fiberglass Engineering & Supply

alveolar cell carcinoma, a condition which was alleged to be unrelated to his occupation. Reversed and remanded.

DECISION

The deceased workman, John B. Gronenthal, died on January 12, 1961. The issue presented by this appeal is whether the deceased workman developed an occupational disease as a proximate result of his exposure to various commercial insulation materials in the course of his employment in this state from 1942 to 1960 as an insulation installer for one or more of the various employers for whom he worked during that period, Simpson Logging Company v. Department of Labor and Industries, 32 Wn. (2d) 472 and Favor v. Department of Labor and Industries, 53 Wn. (2d) 698; and if so, whether that disease was a materially contributing factor to his death, Towne v. Department of Labor and Industries, 51 Wn (2d) 644; in the sense that death would not have occurred when it did without such disease, Petersen v. Department of Labor and Industries, 40 Wn. (2d) 635, and that he otherwise would have lived for an indefinite and unpredictable time. Mork, v. Department of Labor and Industries, 48 Wn. (2d) 74.

This issue must be decided by the board "upon the evidence rather than upon the information or experience of its members." Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Corporation v. Department of Labor and Industries, 45 Wn. (2d) 745.

It is clear from the record that from 1942 to 1960 Mr. Gronenthal, while working, was exposed to a variety of commercial mineral insulating materials. Spectrographic analysis of these materials establishes that the major constituent of most of them was "silica or a silicate compound." It is uncontroverted on the record that he developed a condition called asbestosis, otherwise described as "interstitial fibroses, diffuse, as a result of having breathed into the lungs these insulating materials which contain silicates and/or silica, large amounts of it, which can be asbestos and other commercial products." An autopsy report, introduced into the record as an exhibit, establishes (a) that Mr. Gronenthal died as a result of having developed a condition called cor