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Gentlemen:

Your Company has been our primary supplier of Askarel liquid insulation for many years, and during this period we have had no recorded incidence of allergenic reaction to the compound, until very recently.

One of our employees alleges that exposure to Askarel fumes has caused inflammation of his lower digestive tract, with the result that he has developed chronic colitis.

Our standard practice in the handling and use of Askarel has always been in accordance with your most current instructional guide, including the availability of protective equipment for the use of employees exposed to high vapor concentrations.

We feel that our employee is mistaken in his assumption that Askarel could cause intestinal inflammation; however, we would be interested in having your views regarding this issue. Perhaps your files may contain information that would be of value in resolving this question.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Very truly yours,

I-T-E IMPERIAL CORPORATION

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