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GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
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The Hearing Clerk
Food and Drug Administration
Room G-86
5600 Fishers Lane
Rockville, Maryland 20852

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are my comments on the Food and Drug Administration's proposal for the detection of asbestos in commercial talc products, Section 121.2006c of the Federal Register, Vol. 38, No. 188, September 28, 1973, pages 27079-27081. Also enclosed is a publication titled "Triclinic Talc and Associated Amphiboles from Gouverneur Mining District, New York" which I refer to in my comments.

Sincerely yours,

Malcolm Ross
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Enclosures

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