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Dear Jim:

In response to your note to Mr. W. J. Schreibeis concerning the Recommendation Letter, RJ.78-12-071, introducing the new KS22240 Heat and Fire Retardent Glove and Mr. R. G. Giesler's response to that letter, the following should be considered:

Mr. R. G. Giesler's approach to asbestos glove disposal appears to be a viable alternative to respiratory protective devices in controlling personal exposure to airborne asbestos fibers. However, it must be stressed that both gloves and canister be saturated without generating waste water. The asbestos gloves as well as rags and cloths used to clean up the dust must be disposed of in sealed impermeable containers.

If a respiratory protective device is employed during the disposal of the KS8463 Asbestos Gloves, the device must be a NIOSH approved respirator, not a face mask. According to OSHA standards (29 CFR 1910.134), a respirator program must also be implemented if a respiratory protective device is used. Some of the requirements for a respirator program include: selection, fitting, training, and medical approval for usage.

Sincerely yours,

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