

bystander crocidolite exposure was *the* cause for mesothelioma at the Jeffrey mine, only 3 of the 20 workers who contracted the disease were employed there. However, Bégin (1992) and Dufresne (1995) reviewed the detailed job histories of all 20 workers who contracted mesothelioma, and confirmed that *none* of them had worked during World War II in the preparation of materials for the fabrication of gas masks as previously noted by McDonald, nor had any of them been exposed to crocidolite in the factory or mill during the two-year period.(Begin et al. 1992;Dufresne et al. 1995)

In October 2000, at a presentation to a group of asbestos defense lawyers, Case reported that the factory was located "immediately adjacent" to the mine and mill. He stated, "not only had some of the men worked there, but most has [*sic*] to pass through the building as it contains common areas."(Case 20000) However at a deposition a year later Case stated that he did not know where the Jeffrey factory was located.(2001c) From 1928-1972 the factory at Jeffrey was located across an open pit mine about a mile from the entrance to the mine and the mill.(Tourist Bureau 2002) It is inconceivable that miners would ever walk through the old factory as a part of their daily routine. There were no common areas and two separate roads led from town to the factory and mine entrances. To walk through the mine, workers would be forced to descend a mile down into the mine pit, walk one to two miles across the bottom of the mine and up the other side of the mine, a vertical one and a half miles. Alternatively they would have had to circumnavigate about two miles along the upper ridge of the mine. It is highly improbable that any of the workers ever did this.(2001b)

Regardless of its source, the QAMA - McGill scientists found crocidolite in the lungs of a high proportion of miners from Asbestos. (Case 1998a;Case 1998b) Initially this finding was only reported for miners at the Jeffrey mine but later the researchers found lower concentrations