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As you are aware, we have been active to eliminate the use of asbestos on our plants. I summarized what I saw as the opportunities for Du Pont's fibers in a letter to K. C. Bass dated June 1, 1977. Ralph Gilby has responded to that letter. A copy of his letter is attached which outlines their program and is most informative. I recommend you review each item and contact him if you have any potential uses or wish to test any of the material he discusses. They are very cooperative and development of applications can be mutually beneficial.

In the use of Kevlar® gloves, I know we have tested these in the past with not overwhelming results. However, I have seen some of the new styles they have developed and vast improvements have been made. I strongly encourage a new look at these gloves as I am of the opinion they have both improved safety and value in use over the leather and asbestos gloves we currently use.

Please communicate any additional opportunities you envision for the Industrial Fibers directly to Gilby as they are anxious to try new areas.

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