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Mr. Robert R. Hatten
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RE: Rock Products Magazine

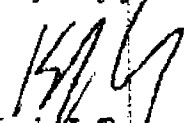
Dear Mr. Hatten:

I have been able to secure two dates in which we may be able to review issues of Rock Products Magazines. We have scheduled September 13, 2000 and September 14, 2000 starting at 9:00 a.m. at Rock Products Magazine, 29 North Wacker Drive, 10th Floor, Chicago, Illinois. I was informed by legal counsel for Rock Products that they have the following issues available for review: 1930, 1932, 1936, 1938, all of 1940s, all of 1950s, all of 1960s except 1966 and 1969, all of 1970s except 1971 and 1972 and some issues for 1980s and 1990s.

I will assemble a group from my office to review the issues. It is my understanding that you will be on trial during that time, but may send some people from your office to review the issues also.

If you need any further information, do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,


Kevin J. Conway