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14th May, 1948.

K. J. Skeggs Esq.,
Messrs. Turners Asbestos Cement Co Ltd,
Trafford Park,
Manchester.17.

Dear Mr. Skeggs.

I hope you will forgive me for troubling you but I thought you could perhaps give me some guidance on the following Insurance problem:-

Among certain details which have cropped up with the Insurance Company who have our Workmen's Compensation Policy is the question whether special cover is applicable for those of our employees who are engaged in cutting to required sizes your FOILITE Asbestos-cement sheets. Included are drilling of holes, filing of edges and surface sanding.

When producing at our old works at Bill-Quay as LACOTILE LTD. we had of course periodical visits from the Factory Inspector and the Factory Doctor and it was never suggested that we should come into the Asbestosis Scheme or its Medical Arrangements Scheme, the Home office inspectors merely showing interest in the efficiency of our dust extraction arrangements.

Our Insurance Company's chief concern seems to be to decide whether the operations described in para 2 (vi) of the Asbestosis Scheme (S.R. & O. 1931.No.344) are neutralised by para 2 (b) on the grounds that your sheets though not composed of woven asbestos contains asbestos combined with a large proportion (we have indicated approximately 88%) of cement and that this constitutes a bond of an adhesive nature.

With kind regards and appreciating very much any information you can let me have on the matter.

Your sincerely,

L. G. Laws