

intention of affording parties a reasonable opportunity to examine, audit, and inspect the records contained in the repository for purposes of copying or preparing their own abstracts or summaries. There was never a central corporate filing system of Abex records and documents. Therefore, the burden of deriving or ascertaining the response to this interrogatory, if at all, is substantially the same for plaintiffs as Abex.

Pursuant to Illinois Rules of Civil Procedures, plaintiffs will have a reasonable opportunity to examine, audit, inspect and to make copies, compilations, abstracts, or summaries of these boxes of documents, which will be produced to plaintiffs at Abex's facility in Brooklyn, New York, where they are maintained in the normal course of business, should plaintiffs decide to inspect them.

Abex has no comprehensive list or log of the documents with respect to which it claims privilege. In the past, when Abex has had cause to review some boxes of documents, it has segregated and/or tagged certain documents with respect to which it claims privilege. The best specificity that Abex can presently provide as to the documents with respect to which it claims privilege is as follows: Documents passing between Abex and/or its predecessors or divisions, on the one hand (collectively "Abex"), and their attorneys, both outside and in-house counsel, on the other hand, as well as documents prepared at the request of, or for the benefit of such counsel or setting forth mental impressions of the attorneys on matters concerning Abex. These documents, include, but are not limited to, correspondence, memoranda, notes of telephone conversations and other records relating to workers' compensation and personal injury issues, claims and litigation (asbestos and non-asbestos related); environmental issues, claims and litigation; insurance coverage issues, claims and litigation; real estate issues, claims and