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1 A Yes. 2 Q On the left-hand column, it designates the customer 3 name? 4 A Yes. 5 Q Next to it is the brake size? 6 A Right. 7 Q Then brake P/N? 8 A Part number. 9 Q Is that the Eaton part number? 10 A Yes, of the whole assembly. 11 Q The last column is asbestos type? 12 A Right. 13 Q The asbestos type column, it looks like it shows the 14 numerical designation for the lining used? 15 A That is correct. 16 Q This appears to be a list compiled by this gentleman 17 Lilly of every OEM's customer's applications of asbestos as of 18 the date of that letter? 19 A Right. They would be open or standing 20 specifications that had not yet been taken out of the system 21 at that time. So there may have been other active nonasbestos 22 at that time too. I don't know if this last sheet back here 23 refers to nonasbestos. 24 Q You are referring to appendix B? 25 A Yeah, appendix B.	1 A Yes. 2 Q Who do you recognize? 3 A Len Podd who probably at that time was a technical 4 service representative at the axle brake division. Richard 5 Lord was a -- I think he was a product engineer in the brake 6 area for the axle brake division. Meyer, I'm not sure, it 7 sounds like a guy maybe in the purchasing department. It 8 sounds to me, my interpretation of this, would be that 9 Len Podd maybe asked a question, maybe somebody had asked him, 10 okay, when was the cutoff of asbestos-type lining, you know, 11 when was that replaced with the nonasbestos and he was 12 answering I guess with this material. 13 Q For the record, the subject of that internal 14 correspondence is asbestos to nonasbestos phase-out. Correct? 15 A That's correct. 16 Q It is internal correspondence, there is no signature 17 for a signature block signing off? 18 A Right. 19 Q It indicates that, attached you will find copies of 20 letters received by Abex and Carlisle. Eaton's only two 21 linings suppliers -- I will read that again. Attached you 22 will find copies of letters received by Abex and Carlisle, 23 Eaton's only two linings suppliers, stating that as of 24 January 1, 1988, neither company will provide/sell any 25 asbestos lining material. Then it continues on, Eaton's
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1 Q That is titled? 2 A Nonasbestos lining program status, 787. 3 Q 787, okay. 4 A So evidently these are the ones that had been 5 approved and could start to supersede these open specification 6 part numbers. 7 Q Listed on appendix A? 8 A Right. I think that is basically what he was saying 9 is that he wanted an updated list of what was going to happen 10 there. 11 (Exhibit 13, internal correspondence-3/5/90, 12 was marked for identification.) 13 Q Let me show you what's been marked as Hobbie 13. 14 MR. QUICK: I'm going to object to Eaton Bates 15 stamped 002149 dated March 5 of 1990. We have absolutely no 16 clue as to why somebody at Eaton, and we don't even know who 17 it is, maybe the witness knows, would send old letters from 18 Abex and Carlisle to somebody for God knows what reason in 19 1990. So with that, I will let you ask him whatever questions 20 you want to put to him. 21 Q Have you had a chance to look at all of those? 22 A Yes. 23 Q I will come around behind you again. Do you 24 recognize any of the names on the first page of that document 25 entitled internal correspondence?	1 phase-in has been happening since early 1985 with the 2 introduction of the 931-162 material. Have I read that 3 correctly? 4 A Yes. 5 Q What is attached to this is apparently a letter from 6 Motion Control dated August 13, 1986 addressed to Eaton 7 Corporation, correct? 8 A Correct. 9 Q Also attached to this is a letter from Abex to Eaton 10 Corporation dated September 3, 1986? 11 A Correct. 12 Q And also what looks like an OSHA confidentiality 13 policy for regulatory analysis data collection with no 14 apparent date? 15 A Yeah. 16 Q I have a couple more documents. Why don't we take a 17 quick break to see if I need to go through the rest of those. 18 I may be very close to finishing this up. 19 (A short recess was held.) 20 (Exhibit 14, letter-10/14/86, was marked for 21 identification.) 22 Q Mr. Hobbie, I will show you what's been marked as 23 Hobbie 14. Have you had a chance to look at that document? 24 A Yes. 25 Q What is it?

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