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Mr. J. F. Vyverberg, New York — November 14, 1966

R. F. Shannon, Granville — Central Files

KAYLO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Thanks for your note of November 11, 1966. I have every intention of working as closely as I possibly can with you and your Marketing team on Kaylo products.

On Page 5 of the Minutes of the I and C, R and D Review Meeting of November 4, of which you received a copy, I note you are to meet with the Legal Department and recommend to Mr. Ladd by November 30 an appropriate caution statement to be printed on Kaylo cartons alluding to asbestos content.

As you know, we discussed this problem in great detail during the November 4 meeting. Attached is the 'statement', which appears on Johns-Manville's cartons of Thermobestos products. I would like to call to your attention that Johns-Manville does not place a 'warning' statement, however, on their bags of asbestos. Since the bag itself states its contents as being asbestos fibers in big print, they feel they need no warning. Only when the asbestos is hidden in the product, such as it is in Thermobestos, is a warning on the carton used. (This raises a question in my mind whether a 'warning' statement would have to be placed on our Kaylo carton if we were to have printed on the carton "Asbestos Reinforced".) Of course, this is a legal matter, which our Legal Department must resolve. I just wanted to call to your attention the fact Johns-Manville uses the warning statement only when asbestos is 'hidden' in the product.

R. F. Shannon

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Attachment

September 14, 1966

JOHNS-MANVILLE LABEL ON THERMOBESTOS

CAUTION

This product contains asbestos fiber.

Inhalation of asbestos in excessive quantities over a long period of time may be harmful.

If dust is created when this product is handled, avoid breathing the dust.

If adequate ventilation control is not possible, wear respirator approved by U. S. Bureau of Mines for pneumoconiosis producing dust.

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