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Date: May 14, 1975
"Calidria" Asbestos
Originating Dept. - TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Answering letter date

Subject: Dow Toxicology Statement

We received the attached material from Dow in response to our letter of April 29, 1975. Does it cover us in an acceptable manner?

H. B. Rhodes

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Attachment
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April 5, 1975

ALL DERAKANE RESIN FIELD SALESMEN

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BROADCAST LETTER DATED OCTOBER 16, 1974 ENTITLED "THE USE OF ASBESTOS AS A THIXOTROPE IN DERAKANE® APPLICATIONS"

In this internal broadcast, I took certain liberties in the interpretation of data presented by Mr. J. Meyers of Union Carbide. Please discontinue any further reference to my broadcast. A substitute statement which acceptably represents Union Carbide's position is attached. My apologies for the confusion.

Best regards,

R. C. Simon

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Designed Products Dept.
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(SUGGESTED REPLACEMENT LETTER)

THE USE OF CALIDRIA RG-244 ASBESTOS AS A THIXOTROPE IN DERAKANE® APPLICATIONS

Many of our customers have expressed concern as to whether the various regulatory agencies would continue to permit the use of asbestos as a viscosity modifier. The use of asbestos in this application is not prohibited and there is no indication of such a restriction. RG-244 is chrysotile asbestos and many researchers agree that chrysotile seems to be less harmful to health than other varieties of asbestos, namely the amphiboles, which have different crystalline structures and physical properties.

Union Carbide Corporation, the producer of RG-244, has amassed air sampling data which demonstrate that RG-244 can be used in complete compliance with Federal government standards and regulations. We have a supply of a Union Carbide brochure, "Calidria" Asbestos RG-244, Health and OSHA Information, February 1, 1975, which can be provided to your customers. Union Carbide will cooperate fully in this matter and would appreciate the opportunity to discuss asbestos safety and health with our customers. Requests should be referred to:

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