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Gentlemen:

The Environmental Protection Agency has issued a new document;

"Guidelines For Controlling Friable Asbestos-Containing Materials In Buildings".

This publication sets forth the health effects, inspection, sampling and control measures relative to disease causing potential of exposure to asbestos.

For some years, we have been performing asbestos research studies for educational and municipal authorities. We have formulated the technical Specifications for asbestos abatement projects and have overseen Contractor performance in the accomplishment of the projects.

If there is concern about asbestos exposure within the buildings of Aluminum Co. of America, we offer the professional service for the detection of asbestos content materials, laboratory analysis, and the evaluation of asbestos friability.

We would be pleased to discuss with you, any asbestos related situation, if you would contact us.

Yours very truly,

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A mineral substance.

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Contained in materials applied as insulation, fireproofing, plastering, acoustical treatment.

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Friable when crumbled, powdered, easily dislodged or water damaged.

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"Linked conclusively with cancer."

"More than 200,000 of the 14,000,000 workers exposed since 1940, will die of cancer due to that exposure." [1]

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21% of buildings inspected were found to have potential asbestos health hazards.

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"There is no safe exposure limit for asbestos." [2]

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[1]Congress of the United States, Committee on Education and Labor-April 5, 1982

[2]NIOSH/OSHA Work Group Report-April 17, 1980

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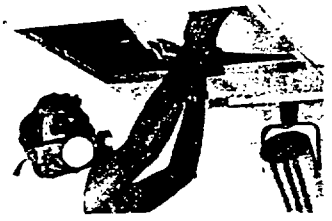
"Any asbestos exposure has the potential, either to develop a malignancy not only of the lung, but of the gastro-intestinal tract, and other organs."

Peter A. Theodos, M.D.
Pulmonary Specialist
President of Philadelphia
Medical Society



To be certain that a building is free from asbestos health hazards, a professional research study is suggested. This consists of:

- **INSPECTION**
- **IDENTIFICATION OF SUSPECTED CONTAMINATED MATERIALS**
- **LABORATORY ANALYSES BY ELECTRON MICROSCOPY AND X-RAY MICROANALYSIS**
- **EVALUATION OF MATERIAL FRIABILITY AND EMISSION OF ASBESTOS FIBERS INTO THE ENVIRONMENT**

Experienced in professional research studies for Municipalities, Private Industry, School Districts, Institutions of Higher Education.

Knowledgeable about construction materials, chemical compositions and applications.

Qualified to formulate asbestos abatement specifications and oversee procedures.

Experienced in asbestos control projects that maintain or improve fire resistance ratings of buildings.



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