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October 17, 1985
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Mr. Tom Palmer, P. E.
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Texas Air Control Board
5602 Old Brownsville Road
Corpus Christi, Texas 78406

RE: Asbestos Removal During Renovation

This is to confirm our conversation of October 14, 1985 concerning Vessel 528. As a result of approximately ten square feet of insulation falling off V-528, Celanese Corporation Technical Center at 1901 Clarkwood Road plans to remove the balance of approximately 140 square feet of asbestos containing insulation from this vessel. V-528 is a cylindrical vessel six feet in diameter by eight feet high. This vessel was obtained by this facility in 1964 and has been used for organic chemical storage.

As we discussed, the work will be done on October 14 in conjunction with the renovation of V-1032 (notified by letter JKS-151-85, October 10, 1985) since employees will already have the protective coveralls, foot covers, and respirators. This area will be taped off to limit entry, signs will be posted of the danger, the insulation will be wetted, bags designed for asbestos with the appropriate warning printed on the side will be used, and no insulation will be dropped from high elevations. The job will be supervised by an individual knowledgable in asbestos work area regulations.

Once removed and cleaned up, the bagged asbestos containing material will be placed into the hazardous waste container storage area. Celanese tenatively plans to dispose of the removed material at U. S. Ecology's landfill in Robstown as a Class IH waste.

If I can provide additional information, please call me at (512) 241-2343 ext. 4512.

Sincerely,

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