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July 11, 1968

Mr. William Elliot
Milton Bradley Company
74 Park Street
Springfield, Mass.

Dear Mr. Elliot:

After our phone conversation of July 8, I discussed the use of asbestos fiber in modeling materials with our medical staff.

We recommend to our customers the use of precautionary practices when handling asbestos fiber to protect from dust inhalation. At Johns-Manville we have rigid precautions to be observed by our own personnel when working with asbestos. Since there is a remote possibility that those handling Fibro Clay could inhale some of the dust, we must in good conscience recommend to you the replacement of the asbestos fiber in your product with another material.

Inhalation of asbestos may or may not lead to pathological abnormality in the lungs of the person exposed. However, since it could occur, we feel this risk should not be taken.

Very truly yours,

E. M. Fenner, Director
Environmental Control

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July 23, 1968

Mr. William Elliot
Milton Bradley Company
Springfield, Mass.

Dear Mr. Elliot:

After our phone conversation of July 8, I discussed your use of asbestos fiber in modeling materials with our medical staff and our management.

Johns-Manville has a long standing, firm policy of providing dust control facilities at our production operations that generate dust. This policy applies regardless of the dusty materials involved; asbestos, silice, limestone, clay, diatomaceous earth, cement or perlite. We strongly recommend to our customers and contractors that they provide similar facilities when the use of our product creates dusty conditions.

Your product, Fibro Clay, is a dusty material containing asbestos fiber. The dust developed during its use is minimal and the health risk is remote. Still, since dust control facilities obviously cannot be provided in this situation, in view of our policy we must in good conscience recommend to you the withdrawal of the product or the replacement of the asbestos fiber with another material.

Very truly yours,

R. M. Fennar, Director
Environmental Control

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