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SUBJECT: Fibrous Talc vs Asbestos

PLAINTIFF'S
EXHIBIT
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Paragraph 103 of the 11-30-71 Notice of the Illinois Pollution Control Board asbestos is defined as "Any fiber or any mixture containing fiber of hydrated silicate mineral, which, on the basis of its crystalline structure, falls into one of two categories:

- (1) pyroxene - chrysotile fiber
- (2) amphiboles - crocidolite, amosite, tremolite, actinolite or anthophyllite fiber."

As you are well aware, fibrous talcs obtain their fibrous nature from actinolites and tremolites present.

The 1971 ACGIH tables of TLV's state (on page 29) that "Talc, (fibrous) - use asbestos limit."

For these reasons I believe that we should consult our attorneys before any product containing fibrous talc be offered for sale.

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