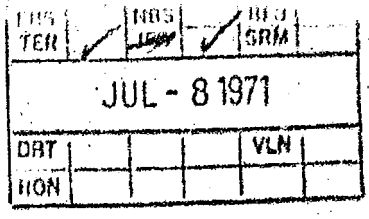
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American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
1014 Broadway
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

Attention: Secretary-Treasurer

Dear Sir:

We are manufacturers of magnesium silicate (talc) products with sales of these products to the paint, ceramic, plastic, rubber, paper, and cosmetic industries. For the past several months we have been deluged with data sheets from various customers requiring specific information on our products and especially information as to the hazard of using a product such as talc.

We have a Threshold limit value of 20 M. P. P. C. F. for talc, which is a recommended value issued by your agency.

We would be most interested to learn if the T.L.V. is 20, then what effects would there be on individuals? Is this value of 20 based on an 8 hour day? Would fibrosis or silicosis occur after prolonged periods of over exposure at a T.L.V. of 20.

If any of this information is available, we would be most appreciative to have the answers.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Very truly yours,

DESERT MINERALS, Inc.

Vice President - Sales

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