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Gentlemen:

It is always vital that you men responsible for such a large segment of our business be kept aware of what we are doing with specific products.

Recent external pressure, mainly the alarm on asbestos, has directed us to areas of improvement in Mono-Kote. The investigation has been under way for quite some time with analysis of glass, mineral and paper fibers in lieu of asbestos. Also, many formulations have used no fiber at all, but making changes or additions to the gypsum are being analyzed.

This program has been accelerated recently, and the reports are optimistic. I'm sure you understand that proving a formulation meets all the aspects of cost, function, workability, fire test approval, etc., is not an easy or overnight job.

However, the push is on to get the best answer now. Please keep this information confidential and put the stop on any rumors being generated through our district managers and salesmen.

I'll keep in touch on progress.

Yours truly,

Tom
 Thomas F. Egan

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