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It would be helpful to know if there is any evidence tending to prove or disprove the existence of danger to health from handling, machining, grinding, abrading or packing of your company's finished products. Apart from the analysis of any dust count surveys which have been done in the factory area concerned, I should be interested in any medical evidence - e.g. the absence of disablement among men who have been exposed only to these processes. There is, I think, outside evidence of at least one case of mesothelioma in a man whose only exposure consisted of employment for some months continuously on trimming or cutting of asbestos-cement sheets, but of course one or two associations of this kind are not convincing in themselves. Have you records of men employed for substantial periods on these processes only? If so, what, in general terms, do they show?

You will appreciate that at this stage I am seeking only a brief digest of information - not a mass of data.

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