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MARKET SURVEY OF ASBESTOS PRODUCTS

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Visits to Large Hardware Stores

Stores checked: Dart Home, White Flint

Frank's Hardware, Rockville Pike

Montgomery Ward, Wheaton Plaza

Hechinger's, Randolph Road

MacIntyre Hardware, Connecticut Avenue,
Kensington
(MacIntyre had no asbestos products)

Seaboard Roof Cement and Caulking - man. above - Sold:

Montgomery Ward (\$1.89/tube) contains asbestos: no warning.

Joint Compounds

Georgia-Pacific Ready-Mix Joint Compound - man. G-P, Gypsum

Div., Portland Ore., sold at: Dart Home (\$6.99/5 gal.),

Frank's (\$5.99/5 gal.), Hardware City (\$5.99/5 gal.)

- Caution:
- contains asbestos fibres
 - avoid creating dust
 - breathing asbestos dust may cause serious bodily harm
 - use approved respirator when sanding

Flintkote Ready-Mixed Joint Compound - man. by Flintkote Co.

sold at: Frank's Hardware. (\$3.59/1 gal., \$8.99/5 gal.) New cans have large sticker over Caution "New NON-Asbestos Formula". Old Caution: avoid creating dust when dry sanding this product. Wear eye protection and a respirator approved by U.S. Bureau of Mines for toxic, nuisance, and pneumoconiosis producing , wet sanding or sponging is recommended where practical.

Bondex Joint Cement - sold at: Frank's (\$2.45/5 lb.)-

Caution: contains asbestos fibre avoid creating dust.
breathing asbestos dust may cause serious
bodily harm. - also in non-asbestos.

Bondex Water Putty - sold at Frank's (\$.75/1 lb., \$1.99/5 lb.)

same caution as above.

Durabond Wallboard Compound - U.S. Gypsum - sold at Dart

Home (\$1.96/5 lb.) Caution: contains asbestos fibre avoid
creating dust. breathing of asbestos dust
may cause serious bodily harm.

Ward's Joint Cement - sold at Montgomery Wards. Caution, same
as above.

Furnace Cement

American Hardware Asbestos Furnace Cement - sold at

Hardware City (\$1.29/pt, \$1.99/qt.) no ingredients
listed; no warning

Plumbcraft Asbestos Furnace Cement - sold at Hechingers.
(\$.99/pt, \$2.19/qt) no ingredients listed, no warning

Floor Tile

Armstrong vinyl-asbestos

Solarian - sold at Dart Home, Hardware City, Hechingers
no warning

Place 'N Press - sold at Dart, Hechingers, no warning

Asbestos

Asbestos Pipe Joint Tape - Grant Wilson, Inc., Chicago, Ill, 6060

sold at Hardware City (\$2.25/roll) no warning

Fyrex General Purpose Asbestos Board - man. Grant Wilson -
(2'x4'/\$6.65, 4'x4'/\$11.45) sold Hardware City -
package says "can be cut, sawed, nailed, screwed,
scored, drilled, and punched. Use in homes, utility
rooms, basement, attic, kitchen, garage, shop."

(Hechingers - Randolph Road & Georgia Avenue, no powdered asbestos
asbestos cement sold.)

Patching Compounds

1) UGL Glue Base Plaster Patch

- manufactured by United Gilsonite Laboratories, Scranton, Pa. 18501 (Beverlee Division, Visalia, Ca. 93277)
- 5 lb - \$1.69 10 lb. \$3.29
- asbestos not mentioned. Caution: mis with paddle. Prolonged contact with skin may cause irritation. Avoid breathing dust. KOOROC.

2) UGL Cerfex Spackeling Compound

- manufacture above
- 5 lb. \$2.09
- asbestos not mentioned. Caution: avoid prolonged contact with skin. KOOROC.

3) UGL Glazed elastic glazing compound

- manufacture above
- 1 qt. \$2.49 15 oz. \$12.5 1/2 pint, \$.68
- KOOROC, asbestos not mentioned
- meets Federal Spec. no. TTG-00410-D

Plasters

1) Georgia-Pacific Ready-Mix Joint Compound

- manufacture: Georgia-Pacific
- 1 gal. \$2.59 62 lb. \$5.99
- in large type on package-"ASBESTOS FREE"

2) Georgia-Pacific Joint System Compound (dry) for gypsum wallboard

- man: Georgia-Pacific
- 5 lb, \$2.19
- asbeston not mentioned; no warning

3) Georgia-Pacific Joint System Compound (dry) w/60' roll tape

- Man: Georgia-Pacific
- 4 lb. \$2.59
- asbestos not mentioned, no warning

4) Georgia-Pacific Patching Plaster (dry)

- man. Georgia-Pacific
- 5 lb. \$2.69
- "Asbestos Free" in large type

Floor Tile Cement

1) GAF Vinyl Adhesive Systems FB10 Cove Base Adhesive (will not freeze)

- Man: made in U.S. for GAF Corp. Building Materials Group/Floor Products, 140 W. 51st St. NYC, NY 10020
- asbestos not mentioned; no health warning
- \$3.99 per quart

2) GAF Vinyl Adhesive Systems FB20 Roll-On Adhesive

- man. above
- 1 qt. \$3.99 1 gal. \$9.99
- asbestos not mentioned; no health warning

3) Armstrong Cove Base Cement S-285

- man. Armstrong (no specifics)
- 1 qt. \$2.99
- no mention of asbestos; detailed warning on fire hazard.

Vinyl Asbestos Floor Tile

1) Armstrong's Custom Excellon Tile

- man. Armstrong (no specifics)
- 9 12"x12" 1 sq. yd. \$3.19 5 styles
- no warning

2) Armstrong Place 'n Press Excellon Tile

- man. Armstrong (no specifics)
- 9 12"x12" \$4.49 per sq. yd. 19 styles
- no warning

3) Solarian

- man. made in U.S. by Armstrong Cork Co., Lancaster Pa. 17604
- 9 12"x12" \$9.49 sq. yd. 6 styles
- no warning

Drywall Compounds in Which Asbestos has Been Found

Nuvo Bond 90 Perf A Tape USG Texolite	}	US Gypsum	{	Tape - Joint Topping Cmpd. Redi-Mix Jointing Cmpd. Wallboard Seal, Drywall Taping Cmpd.
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Arvon ————— Arvon Products

Metro Spackling Compound — Bondex International

Sterling Ready-Mix Vinyl Joint Cement Sterling All-Purpose Vinyl Joint Cement	}	Sterling, Clark, Lurton Co.
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S-C-L Vinyl Taping Compound — Stebbins and Roberts Co.

Synko ————— Synkaloid Co.

(spackle) ————— Muralo Co.

still sold with asbestos and caution label

~~Georgia Pacific~~
joint cement ————— Georgia Pacific ~~(XXXXXX)~~
~~Wards~~

Rutland Fire Clay Co.

Bondex International (Wards)

Patching compounds not containing asbestos

Red Top	US Gypsum
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Patch Paste	}	Red Devil, Inc.
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Schalk Patch Paste Spackle

Kex spackling	Rutland Products
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"New" Kex

DAP Vinyl Paste Spackling Cmpd.	DAR, Inc.
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Handi-Patch	Handy Products
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Since the publicity of 1975, some firms removed asbestos from their formulas, and began to label, "contains no asbestos."