

I. INTRODUCTION

A. Purpose of Booklet

The purpose of this booklet is to supplement and support the oral statement made by Caterpillar Tractor Co. at the Regional Hearing on Asbestos and Spray Insulation Regulations at Waukegan, Illinois on October 19, 1971. Recommendations and suggestions contained herein are intended to apply only to products of a type and kind built by Caterpillar Tractor Co. The information presented is brief; the intent is to provide the Company's position relative to the proposed ban on the use of asbestos brake linings.

B. Caterpillar Product Line

Caterpillar currently produces 52 models of track or wheeled earthmoving equipment (in addition to 53 models of Towmotor material handling equipment), all of which have braking systems which utilize asbestos friction material. The following listing gives the number of models in each specific product line (Appendix A pictorially illustrates the Caterpillar product line):

- 6 - models of track-type tractors
- 6 - models of wheel-type tractors and compactors
- 5 - models of track-type loaders
- 7 - models of wheel loaders
- 5 - models of pipelayers
- 13 - models of wheel tractor-scrapers
- 6 - models of motor graders
- 2 - models of off-highway trucks
- 2 - models of off-highway tractors

- 52 - Total Models

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