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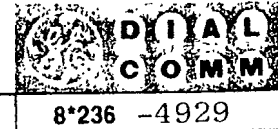
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Prior Knowledge of Asbestos Hazard

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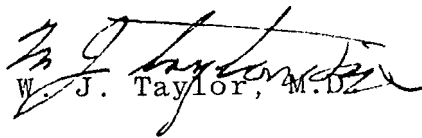


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Subject: News Story, Asbestos-Free GENAL

It is certainly newsworthy and good PR that GE had the foresight to remove a known dangerous substance from one of its products prior to governmental regulations requiring this. However, it might be mentioned that the danger of asbestos was well known in the late 1950's and early 1960's; and the fact that our workers were exposed for a critical length of time to the use of asbestos will certainly identify health attrition now and in the future with our GENAL employees, and may prompt the question of GE's concern for market and product over employee health and safety.


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