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DATE: June 14, 1973

FROM: T. P. Feit

SUBJECT: EPA

See my letter of May 3, 1973 on the subject of EPA for background.

Our lawyer in Washington had a call from George Stevens of EPA on June 12, informing him that EPA was reversing its position on the question of visible emissions from manufacturing facilities. In substance, this means that EPA will require pollution control equipment to be installed only in cases where commercial asbestos is used in a manufacturing process and asbestos fibers are contained in visible emissions as a result.

We have already submitted compliance schedules to the various EPA regional offices around the country. Stevens indicated that they will not be acted upon and that a directive from EPA headquarters in Washington to the regional offices so stating will be issued shortly. Hopefully, we will be able to obtain a copy of this directive.

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