

1 certainty, as to whether there was a sufficient
2 latency period between the time of his first exposure
3 and the development of his mesothelioma and diagnosis
4 in 1980?

5 A Yes, sir. That is about 31 years, and that
6 is a very common latency period for the development of
7 mesothelioma.

8 31 years from first exposure to the
9 diagnosis of mesothelioma. It is in excess of 20
10 years.

11 Q Dr. Gabrielson, I am going to read you, and
12 I want you to assume certain facts for me, as it
13 relates to Mr. Vandergucht's exposure, and it will
14 take me a few moments to read them, so just bear with
15 me.

16 I want you to assume that Mr. Vandergucht
17 was employed as a plasterer from 1949 into the 1970s.

18 I want you to assume that, off and on during
19 the period from 1949 forward, he was exposed to
20 asbestos-containing dust until the early '70s, and
21 that specifically off and on for a period of about six