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To: Gene Hauer
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At your request I have chronologically listed the talc grades that have been used at the New Castle polypropylene plant. Some of the listings are purely estimates on my part and in those cases I have added a question mark as an indication.

Year	Talc Grade	Producer	Asbestos Content as Tremolite
1962 - 1970	Desertalc 57?	Johns Manville	~30%?
1970 - Present	Polytal 4615	Whittaker, Clark and Daniels	5-10%
1973 - 1974	Westal 202	R. T. Vanderbilt	~15%
1973 - 1974?	Desertalc 54	Johns-Manville	~30%

Two asbestos-free talcs which have been tried in small quantities (three 20,000 pound RPO's) are Pfizer "CP38-33" and United Sierra "Furnace Creek". They were both rejected due to poor color. We have recently found an additive which improves the color of CP38-33 so that we expect to begin using this asbestos-free talc early in 1976.

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