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Copy to R. L. Burks, J. Kozdron, T. Luginbuhl
Subject Asbestos Friction Material

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Attached is a copy of a letter to Rod Baltz from J. W. Penney & Sons Company. The basic question being asked relates to the concentration of asbestos fibers that are released to atmosphere each time a clutch or brake is applied. Due to the wide range of application, I realize it is impossible to determine this without "on-the-site" air sampling. Perhaps, if we could establish a maximum and minimum wear rate for a given lining area, some meaningful data might be obtained. NAFCO may be able to provide this information.

The other question is regarding the percentage of asbestos used in our friction material, and I do not believe this should be too hard to obtain.

Asbestos has come under severe attack as a potential health hazard, when inhaled even in minute quantities. Some European Countries are striving to outlaw its use entirely; whereas, OSHA has taken a more realistic stand by requiring minimum exposure. Industry will have to comply with the OSHA standards, and as a supplier of asbestos friction products, Airflex can expect increasing demands for data similar to that outlined above. What are your comments or recommendations?

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Attachment

Bartholomew v. A.W. Chesterton, Inc. et al.
St. Louis City Circuit Court No. 2[illegible]09067; 10/8/2010

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