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Caution Label
Marinite

Following is the wording of the proposed caution label for Marinite sheets which we discussed yesterday.

Caution

Marinite is composed of asbestos fibre and calcium silicate.

Inhalation of dust produced in sawing, drilling or trimming this board may be harmful.

Avoid breathing this dust.

Dust should be kept at a safe minimum by proper controls. If this is impossible, respirators approved by the U. S. Bureau of Mines are recommended.

In my opinion, the use of this label should be given very careful consideration. If we apply it to one of our products such as Marinite, I believe that we would have to apply it on several other products such as Transite, Flexboard and certain pipe covering materials. I believe that such a move should be a policy decision made by our Senior Officers.

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