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CAUTION STATEMENT FOR BAG FOR
CHRYSOTILE ASBESTOS FIBRE

The proposed Caution Statement is approved subject to the following comments:

1. States of the United States have legislation or regulations governing the labeling and handling by employees of hazardous materials, including materials in dust form hazardous from inhalation. Most of these laws and regulations require a Caution Statement to be located prominently on the container and to be printed in legible type which shall be in contrast by typography, layout or color with other printed matter on the container.

a. I recommend that the Caution Statement be placed on the front side of the bag rather than, as proposed, on the back side of the bag.

b. If the color of the printing is to "be the same as other printed material on the bag" (last paragraph, p. 1, C. L. Sheckler's memo of 3/15/68) then I recommend that the Caution Statement be framed with border lines or that it be printed in type distinctive from the type used for other printing on the front side of the bag.

c. I agree that the letter size of the Caution Statement should be approximately the same as on the labels enclosed with Mr. Sheckler's memo.

2. Under the same laws and regulations discussed in my first comment, it usually is required that the "name and place of business of the manufacturer, distributor or seller" be shown on the container; I recommend that this be done.

3. It is stated that the bags are intended for international usage. I am not aware of legislation or regulations outside the U.S. respecting labeling of products whose dust may be injurious to workers in industrial establishments. Without disclosing who represented or what product was involved, I did generally discuss the matter with Canadian Customs; they did not know of a labeling requirement in any Canadian province (though this should not be regarded

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as a definitive answer). If you are aware of any labeling requirement outside the U.S., my review has not taken it into consideration. If there should be such a requirement, one point is obvious: the shipment may be handled by people who do not understand English.

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