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MANUFACTURERS OF

INDUSTRIAL

ASBESTOS FRICTION PRODUCTS
- BRAKE BLOCKS
- FRICTION BLOCKS
- CLUTCH BLOCKS
- BRAKE LINING
- CUT-OUT FACINGS
- COMPRESSED LINING
- COMPRESSED FACINGS
- MOLDED BRAKE LINING
- MOLDED FACINGS

NON-METALLIC BEARINGS
- GRAPHITE
- BRONZE
- LEAD

PHENOLIC PRODUCTS
- GEARS & GEAR STOCK
- LAMINATED SHEETS
- MOLDED SHAPES

ASBESTOS PACKING
- COMPRESSED SHEET
- AIR PRESSURE ROD
- OIL PROOF—PLASTIC
- THROTTLE—AIR PUMP
- WICK STOCK & BRAIDED
- PACKING SHEET
- VALVE STEM
- ASBESTOS WOVEN SHEET

AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS

ASBESTOS FRICTION PRODUCTS
- CLUTCH FACE SETS
- MOLDED BRAKE BLOCKS
- MOLDED LINING IN ROLLS
- MOLDED RADIUS SLAB UNITS
- CLUTCH SEGMENTS
- MOLDED CLUTCH FACINGS
- MOLDED BRAKE BLOCKS
- COMPRESSED LINING
- COMPRESSED FACINGS
- LINING IN ROLLS
- SEGMENTS
- CLUTCH FACING

TIMING GEARS
- FIBRE METAL

ASBESTOS TEXTILES
- YARN & CORD
- TAPE & CORD
- BRAID

January 26, 1937

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Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.,
Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Attention: Mr. M. F. Judd

Dear Mort:

In line with your request of the 22d inst. I enclose herewith the agreement referred to.

You will note that I have not signed, for this agreement does not seem to be drawn to cover the original discussion during a meeting held in New York, at which meeting there were ten companies, which ten did not include American Brakeblok Corporation or Asbestos Manufacturing Company, and since the agreement states that the expense is divided equally between those who agree to underwrite it is my opinion that the expense is not pro-rated on the basis of benefits to be derived.

I cite, for instance, that Mr. Simpson, signing for Raybestos-Manhattan, signs for four distinct plants operating as separate units, all of which might be classified as strictly asbestos textile plants where the dust hazard is an important matter.

In addition to the four plants referred to you have the Manhattan Rubber Company, and any one of which represent interests greater than ours.

The Thermoid and Southern interests likewise are out of proportion to our interests, and certainly Keasbey & Mattison could not be considered from the same angle of interest as would ours.

Since the situation has changed in the alignment of the different interests, likewise do I feel it necessary to confirm what I have previously stated that it is my belief that the expense of the experiments referred to should be borne by the different members of the Industry in proportion to the number of employees, and on this basis it

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would make no difference to me whether Raybestos-Manhattan represented one plant or the great number that they operate.

If you feel that my position is not justified I will be glad to have you tell me frankly where I am wrong.

Yours very truly,

GATKE CORPORATION

Thomas L. Gatke

President

TLG:FP

P.S.: I have not referred to Johns-Manville Corporation who likewise operate quite a number of plants, and certainly I would feel very much out of place in trying to draw a comparison between their operations and ours, and it seems to me that this is a matter in which the interests are definitely based on the number of employees.

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