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Mr. Craig McNey
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Dear Craig:

The additional dust count information that we discussed relative to drywall applications is enclosed together with an authoritative medical review article on asbestos-related diseases.

Also enclosed is a description of the type of information and services that can be made available through the Asbestos Information Association/ North America to defense attorneys in asbestos suits. There are relatively nominal charges for this information to help cover the very substantial costs entailed in its collection.

As we discussed, the main thrust in asbestos litigation so far has been in relation to asbestosis cases in insulation workers. The main basis for liability has been that the manufacturer knew the material was hazardous and did not warn the user.

If you have any questions, please let me know. I expect to be in California in the near future and would be glad to talk with your insurance carrier if it is of interest.

Very truly yours,

H. B. Rhodes

Harrison B. Rhodes
Technology Manager

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Encs. 1. Testimony Regarding 16 CFR Parts 1304 and 1305
H. B. Rhodes, Federal Register, Vol. 42, No. 146,
Friday, July 29, 1977.
2. State of the Art, Margaret R. Becklake
3.. List of Information and Services - AIA/NA

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