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Via telecopier to: J. J. Sibley
47th Floor

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R. W. Rebholz
38th Floor

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An old customer has asked us to confirm that the asbestos industry will not be shut down in the immediate future. Would appreciate your comments on this letter.

JLM

Mr. C. Lynn Mahoney
Hysol Division of
Dexter Corporation
2850 Willow Pass Road
Pittsburgh, CA 94565

Dear Mr. Mahoney:

This letter is to confirm our recent telephone conversation concerning your question about the future availability of RG-144 and RG-244.

We have been operating our asbestos plant near King City since 1963 and have remained in compliance with increasingly stringent government regulations. We plan to continue our operation unless compliance with new regulations makes this financially unattractive, which we do not anticipate in the ~~foreseeable~~ immediate future.

Your concern about the future of the asbestos industry is understandable in light of some reports by the media. If the uses of asbestos are further restricted or production is ~~prohibited~~ reduced, we would expect that a ~~relatively~~ reasonable ~~lengthy~~ compliance period would be allowed to permit an orderly transition. We will keep you informed of new developments in this area.

Very truly yours,

T. P. Norris
Technical Sales Representative
Western Region

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