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FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION
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December 6, 1963

Mr. George T. Scriba
Union Carbide Corporation
270 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Scriba:

Reference is made to your letter of October 31, 1963, relative to the status of an asbestos fiber as a component of paper and paperboard.

We concur that when used consistent with the principles of good manufacturing practice asbestos as an inert filler in paper and paperboard does not have food additive status. Therefore, there is no necessity for a regulation to prescribe the use of such asbestos fiber as an inert filler in such paper and paperboard.

Sincerely yours,

Frederick A. Cassidy

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Food and Drug Officer

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PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT

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Our Law Department advises us that the attached exchange of letters with the Food and Drug Administration means that FDA is in agreement with us that the use of asbestos fiber as a component of paper and paperboard used in contact with food is safe and is in compliance with the Food and Drug Act and that no specific regulation under the Food Additives Amendment is necessary. Our letter to FDA is dated October 31, 1963. Their reply is dated December 6, 1963. The correspondence is between Mr. Scriba of our Law Department and Mr. Cassidy of F.D.A.

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