A-BEST ASBESTOS SETTLEMENT TRUST
NOTICE OF IMPOSITION OF FILING FEE

The A-Best Asbestos Settlement Trust hereby gives notice to claimants and their counsel of the imposition a filing fee that must accompany certain claims filed with the Trust. Claims that are immediately deferred will be exempt from the fee.

The decision to impose the filing fee was prompted by the rising costs of processing claims filed with the Trust. Approximately 50% of claims filed with the Trust to date have been either withdrawn or deficient.

The $18.00 per claim filing fee is a mechanism to reduce upfront expenses to the Trust and will help defray the initial processing costs paid by the Trust for each claim received. The filing fees will be maintained by Verus in a separate escrow account on behalf of the Trust. The filing fee will be refunded to each claimant who settles a claim with the Trust and returns a signed release. The fee will be forfeited by any claimant whose claim is denied by the Trust and by any claimant who withdraws a claim filed with the Trust. The fee is waived for claims immediately deferred, which will permit claimants to preserve the tolling of any statute of limitations affecting the claim without incurring a fee.

The implementation date of the filing fee will be November 1, 2012.

This notice satisfies the requirements of Article 5.2 of the A-Best Asbestos Settlement Trust Agreement that provides for notice to claimants of certain actions taken by the Trustee.

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