

15 May 2000

Chico Unified School District 2455 Carmichael Drive Chico, CA 95928

Attention: Michael Weissenborn

Fax: 891-3190

RE:

Chico Junior High School #3, a.k.a. Hank Marsh Junior High School

Phase 1 and Phase 2

Ginno Project Nos. 97-44 and 98-23

Dear Mike,

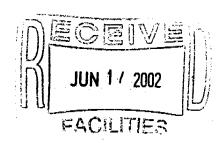
Please consider this letter to be our verification that no products containing asbestos were used during the construction of the Hank Marsh Junior High School, either Phase One or Phase Two.

Yours truly,

Robert A. Ginno

President

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Armstrong World Industries, Inc. no longer manufacturers resilient floors or adhesives that contain asbestos.

The information provided below represents the last date for each floor product category that Armstrong produced containing asbestos. Please note, these dates reflect Armstrong's last manufacture, not the products' sale or installation.

COMMERCIAL TILE June, 1981

RESIDENTIAL TILE December, 1982

ADHESIVES (S-89 AND S-90) January, 1983

SHEET VINYL April, 1983

Please be advised that there are federal and, in many states, also state and local regulations which you must consult to determine the procedures required to be followed when removing in-place asbestos-containing materials. Most of these regulations focus on friable materials (those which when dry can be crumbled, pulverized or reduced to powder by hand pressure). In our view, resilient floor coverings are nonfriable and not fairly subject to such regulations. You should be aware that some jurisdictions have regulations which do not take into account the nonfriable nature of the removed material. For this reason, and also because the regulations in your state are always subject to change and sometimes varying interpretations, you should contact the governmental agencies within your jurisdiction to determine which, if any, regulations apply to the removal of resilient floor covering, including the use of RFCI (Resilient Floor Covering Institute) Recommended Work Practices for the Removal of Resilient Floor Coverings.

Unless you are <u>absolutely sure</u> that a previously installed, in-place flooring material does not contain asbestos, you should always assume it does contain asbestos. A copy of the <u>Recommended Work Practices</u> is available at http://rfci.com/ or by calling 301 340-8580.

If you need additional information on Armstrong floors, contact 1 800 233-2283.