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Memo to: All Members of the Environmental Abatement Council of Ontario

From: Don Pinchin, President

Re: Asbestos Regulation and Air Testing Methods

Please find enclosed information on the air testing methods required under O. Reg. 278/05. This was put together by Glenn Smith and Steve Fulford and presented at the EACO seminar held on November 17, 2005. It was intended to remove some of the uncertainties around the testing and “forced air” clearance sampling. It is hoped that it will be of value to make testing protocols more consistent across our consultant members.

Clearly the PCM/TEM option will always be preferred. The only time we would ever recommend proceeding directly to TEM analysis without attempting PCM clearance first is when there is a background of airborne asbestos in the building (at or above 0.01 f/cc) which prevents clearance by the PCM/TEM option.

We trust this is of value to you. Please pass on as you wish.