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OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY (ASBESTOS) REGULATIONS 2003

Notice of Determination

The Victorian WorkCover Authority gives notice under regulation 108(ca) of the Occupational Health and Safety (Asbestos) Regulations 2003 of the making of a determination for the purposes of regulation 301(3)(b)(i) of those Regulations. The Victorian WorkCover Authority -

- (a) has determined 0.001% w/w to be the percentage of construction materials that is asbestos-containing material;
- (b) has determined the method of measuring the percentage of construction materials that is asbestos-containing material to be as follows:
 - (i) at least 5 representative samples of construction materials to be taken;
 - (ii) samples of construction materials to be weighed (see Note 1);
 - (iii) samples of construction materials to be visually inspected to identify materials that may be asbestos-containing materials;
 - (iv) all identified materials that may be asbestos-containing materials to be extracted from the samples of construction materials;
 - (v) all materials that may be asbestos-containing materials to be:
 - a. deemed to contain asbestos; or
 - b. analysed by an approved analyst to identify whether the material contains asbestos (see Note 2);
 - (vi) material deemed to contain asbestos or identified as containing asbestos to be weighed;
 - (vii) the overall percentage of construction materials that is asbestos-containing material to be calculated as an average of the representative samples taken.

Note 1: The total weight of construction materials sampled must not be less than 0.4% of the total weight of the construction materials.

Note 2: "Approved analyst" has the same meaning as in the Occupational Health & Safety (Asbestos) Regulations 2003.

This determination takes effect on 31 December 2003.

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