UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

3030 United States Courthouse 601 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19106

David R. Strawbridge United States Magistrate Judge (267)299-7790

June 17, 2011

Re: Asbestos MDL 875 - CVLO Cases: Richard Lauth's letter of June 15, 2011

To: All Counsel

Dear Counsel:

Yesterday, on June 16, 2011, I held a teleconference between plaintiffs' counsel and the defense liaisons regarding Mr. Lauth's June 15, 2011 letter raising four discovery issues, which he sent to all of you. Below, I have listed the pertinent dates arising out of that conversation.

- 1. With respect to the issue of which party is in the best position to obtain and submit certain of plaintiffs' medical records, by 12:00p.m. EST on Tuesday, June 21, 2011, Mark Hitt and David Setter shall submit to chambers a joint report detailing the most efficient means of obtaining the medical evidence from plaintiffs' physicians. Then, at 4:30p.m. EST, on the same day, Messrs. Hitt and Setter shall initiate a teleconference with me to discuss their report.
- 2. With respect to the issue of the most efficient manner for all defendants to propound discovery requests upon plaintiffs and the use of interrogatories regarding the bankruptcy trusts, Michael Drumke and Michael Cascino shall submit to chambers by 4:00p.m. EST, on Tuesday, June 21, 2011, a set of standardized bankruptcy trust interrogatories and a report of any remaining disagreements thereon which will be reviewed during the June 23rd mediation status conference here in Philadelphia.

Given this process, paragraph 3 of the June 9, 2011 Scheduling Order for Certain Cascino Vaughan law Offices Cases, providing that all discovery requests under Rules 33, 34, 36 and 45 be served by June 17, 2011, shall be stayed. I anticipate, however, that the stay will be relatively brief.

3. I shall attend to Mr. Lauth's third and fourth concerns, regarding the breadth of plaintiffs' discovery requests and the scope of site worker depositions, during the June 23, 2011 mediation status conference.

Yours sincerely,

/S David R. Strawbridge
Hon. David R. Strawbridge
United States Magistrate Judge