SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY **ASBESTOS LITIGATION**

IN RE: ASBESTOS LITIGATION VENUED IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Civil Action

Docket No: L-52237-81 (AS)

AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDER

With respect to the conduct of plaintiffs' depositions in all asbestos matters venued in Middlesex County, and in an effort to facilitate an expeditious resolution of the matters pending on the current trial list,

IT IS on this 3^{rd} day of October, 2007;

ORDERED that the General Order is hereby amended until further notice as follows:

- 1. The direct examination of a plaintiff by lead counsel shall include liability, medical and damages issues except if a designated medical counsel has filed notice of such prior to plaintiff's deposition. Under such circumstances, the designated medical counsel shall conduct direct examination of the plaintiff with regard to medical issues as opposed to lead counsel.
- 2. No issues of inquiry shall be permitted by counsel on cross-examination except for questions regarding the examiner's client(s).
- 3. Counsel who anticipate a cross-examination of a plaintiff of less than thirty (30) minutes shall conduct their examination prior to any counsel whose cross-examination is expected to last longer than thirty (30) minutes per client.
- 4. No deposition of a plaintiff shall be longer than two (2) days unless approved by the Special Master via an Application by telephone.

/s/ Ann G. McCormick
ANN G. McCORMICK, J.S.C.