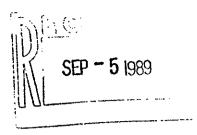
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Southwest Technologies, Inc. 2018 Baltimore Street Kansas City, MO 64108

Dear Sir:

I just finished a conversation with Joye Sells who is associated with Think Med, Inc. in Raleigh about your Elastogel pads. Several months ago I was operated on for a back problem and postoperatively had a severe reaction to the tape resulting in firstdegree and, in some cases, almost second-degree burns. At the suggestion of our stoma therapist we tried Elastogel over the burned areas and found that it not only met your advertised claims about protecting, but I found it a tremendous buffer from the fiberglass brace I have to wear. I told our stoma therapist about this and she subsequently notified Ms. Sells who in turn called me. The advantage I have found is that in hot weather, such as we have in Charleston, any type of cushioning that I have used before had a tendency to hold moisture against the skin and did not cushion well. The advantage of the Elastogel is that it not only absorbs the moisture under the brace, but as the moisture in the pad increases - so does the cushioning that it provides. It is a marvelous material to put under a brace and it has made the wearing of my brace very tolerable. In talking with Ms. Sells I find that your company has already realized the potential of this use, however I wanted to let you know that I came upon the use without realizing that you knew of it and I am grateful enough for this product that I thought you should make it available to other persons who have to put up with a brace.

Sincerely,

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Acting Chairman

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