

Hi to whom it may concern

As a Stone Mason for nearly 20 years, I have noticed that the engineered stone has a lot of chemicals in the stone that have caused some skin affects in some people

The engineered stone has some metals in them can affect the Lungs in a bad way there has been some studies done by Professor Dino Pisaniello from the Adelaide University

When we do a wet cut on the stone, we can smell a strange smell from the material that natural stone does not have

What are the long-term effects of resins on the body?

There is no safe way to polish miter edges on site or as you would call it a stone waterfall end, We use a spray bottle with a fit tested mask but we can still smell the resins in the stone while polishing

What do we do when some one gives us the wrong hotplate cut out and it need to altered on site inside the house?

I do believe there is no 100% safe and effective way to process engineered stone

There are other products that don't have all these resins in the material

I believe there is more to this story than silica with engineered stone if it was only silica than why aren't people dying or very sick in the glass industry, glass has high silica and is cut shaped and broken up and use more than stone but their industry is not facing the same problems as us as stone masons

I understand that the engineered stone companies have paid Lobbyist to Lobby the government to keep the product going

There have been many class actions against these companies overseas but they were covered up, how can they be trusted again

Do these chemicals Leach out of the material when exposed to U.V. Light as they do seem to fade in U.V. light, if they do leach than the material is not even safe for consumers as most people have a window in their kitchen?

I think the product should be banned regardless of low- or high-grade silica in the materials

Thankyou