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A Message from the American Concrete Pipe Association

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Which Should You Believe?

Sworn Testimony

- Q.** (Lawyer) Are you aware that there have been any manufacturing changes in the pipe of this type from 1995 to the present by anyone?
- A.** (Hazen) What happens in the manufacture of pipe is usually things change from month to month.
- Q.** Are you aware that there have been changes?
- A.** I would be very surprised if there hadn't been changes.

Deposition of
Dr. Glenn Hazen
Ohio University
Testifying for ADS

Ridge Line, Inc., vs Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc.

Dr. Hazen's testimony clearly points out that high-density polyethylene pipe is not "made the same way, all the time." There have been at least four significant changes in the manufacturing specification for N-12 pipe within the past seven years – that we know of!

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