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Mr. Jonathan G. Katz
Secretary
Securities and Exchange Commission
450 Fifth Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20549

Dear Mr. Katz:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission are manually signed and notarized originals of Statements Under Oath of Michael T. Dan, Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer, and Robert T. Ritter, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, of The Pittston Company, as required by the Commission Order issued June 27, 2002 (File No. 4-460).

Please date stamp and return the enclosed copy of this letter to confirm your receipt of these filings.

Very truly yours,

Austin F. Reed
Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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**Statement Under Oath of Principal Financial Officer
Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings**

I, Robert T. Ritter, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of The Pittston Company, state and attest that:


(1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of The Pittston Company, and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:

- no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
- no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).

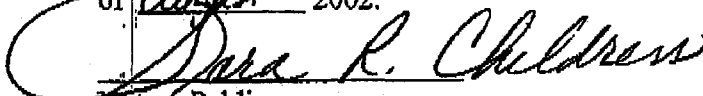
(2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's audit committee.

(3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":

- The Annual Report on Form 10-K of The Pittston Company, filed with the Commission on March 22, 2002;
- all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of The Pittston Company filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
- any amendments to any of the foregoing.


Robert T. Ritter
August 14, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of August 2002.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires: March 31, 2005

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