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I believe this is an important area to investigate.

However, I believe there is much more interesting information in the area of toner (used in laser printers and copiers). I was a _____ for IBM in New Jersey in the _____'s and had a customer who developed a nasty rash on his hand after clearing a paper jam in one of IBM's copiers (before the toner is fused to the paper, it exists as a black powdery substance). He asked me what chemicals were used in the toner, not to sue IBM, but to be able to know what he was sensitive to so he could avoid it in the future. I could find no one within IBM who was willing to share this information with this customer for fear of a lawsuit (one of my specialties was being able to find the person who could answer a question like this).

I believe they subsequently determined that this toner was a carcinogen.

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