

Registration No.	Number 00056		
Registration Date	October 6, 2010	Registration Category	Category 1

Name (Model, etc.)	Vinylon (Polyvinyl Alcohol Fiber)		
Location	Minami Ward, Okayama City, Okayama Pref		
	KURARAY CO.,LTD. Okayama Plant		
Owner (Custodian)	KURARAY CO.,LTD.		
Manufacturer (Company)	KURASHIKI RAYON CO.,LTD.		
Year Manufactured	1950		
Reason For Selection	<p>In November 1950, Kuraray Co. began the first commercial production in Japan of vinylon, a synthetic fiber. Vinylon was the world's second synthetic fiber, invented by Ichiro Sakurada in 1939 four years after the invention of nylon. It became a universal fiber, used for clothing, fishing nets, and other products. Its low extensibility, high strength, and high chemical resistance make it a good replacement for asbestos and a good reinforcer for vehicle oil brake hoses. This is a valuable sample of vinylon fiber, a memorial to the establishment of the vinylon industry.</p>		
Registration Standard	1 - B		

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