

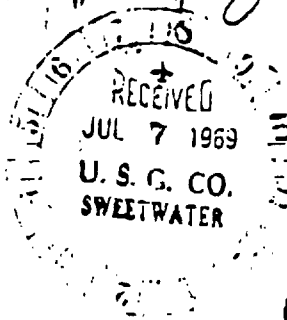
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TO: 980, R. W. Denner

FROM: 17C-6, G.R. Krug

SUBJECT: Toxic Dust Program



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There appears to be considerable confusion regarding the subject program. I will attempt to clarify it as briefly as possible.

- 1.) All plants using toxic dusts such as asbestos, silica, talc, mica, diatomaceous earth, celite, etc., are to establish a dust testing program as required by C.O.B. 4-6.
- 2.) The dust testing program is divided into two parts:
 - A.) Taking of airborne dust samples at a plant.
The equipment necessary to take these samples consists of:
 - a.) One Unico, Model C 110, self-contained, battery-operated, air pump.
 - b.) One filter holder.
 - c.) One filter holder bracket for attachment of the filter holder to the pump for one hand operation.
 - d.) 25 individually packaged filters.
 - e.) One carrying case.

Note: All this equipment is obtainable from Mr. Marv Schmidt at our Research Center thru use of a Transfer Loading Ticket (T.L.T.). Approximate cost for the equipment is \$300.00 per set, which is to be taken into plant cost. As part of this cost Research will calibrate the filter holders to the pumps which is necessary for the dust counting operation.

B.) Dust Counting

This can be done by the following locations:

Research Center
Baltimore
Gypsum
South Gate

These locations are obtaining necessary Dust Counting equipment.

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A brief instruction manual is being prepared to explain how, and how often, to take dust samples, how to ship them to the Dust Counting facility and how the samples are to be counted. In addition, plant personnel will be trained in how to take samples by:

- a.) The Division Representative that attended the American Mutual School.

- or -

- b.) An American Mutual Industrial Hygienist.

Taking of samples is quite simple.

At present, Printing is preparing the necessary Work Sheets and reporting forms to compliment the program.

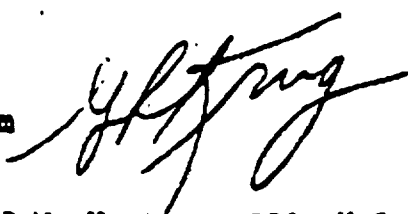
All Divisions have replied as to their preliminary equipment requirements. Marv Schmidt has ordered 25 pumps and 30 filter holders which will be shipped to the plants upon receipt, after calibration. This should take place sometime in August. Now is the time to submit your T.L.T. to cover the 5 items shown under 2.), A.) on the first page of this memo.

The intent of this program is to make known to the plants, Divisions and Corporate Management, all toxic dust exposures, the seriousness of these exposures and all preventative and corrective actions that are being taken and/or considered.

The Industrial Hygiene side of Safety cannot be overlooked if we are to be assured that we as a Company, will not place in jeopardy, an employee's health.

Should you need further clarification, please advise.

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