

1 A Yes.

2 Q What kind of workers were they that were
3 present?

4 A These largely were individuals that worked
5 in the plant that made cars. NIOSH -- and it still is
6 NIOSH's policy whenever it holds a meeting like this
7 to try to get all parties involved, labor, management,
8 industry and governmental organizations and whomever
9 we can convene. We always try to get labor and
10 management to the same table.

11 Q Now, there was no indication that any
12 nonunion officials attended any of these meetings, is
13 there?

14 A I don't think it had any, no.

15 Q Okay. Was there any attempt on behalf of
16 NIOSH at this time to encourage manufacturers or
17 suppliers of products, friction products, to warn of
18 any potential hazards?

19 A It was our intent by this process of
20 releasing this alert to provide at least some
21 warning.