

INDUSTRIAL HEALTH/POLLUTION CONTROL

ASBESTOS INFORMATION COMMITTEE (BENELUX)

The principal producers of asbestos-based products in Belgium and Holland have formed an Asbestos Information Committee to stimulate research by and intercommunication between the member companies, and to centralize medical and technical studies to attain optimum results in their industrial hygiene efforts. The contributing member-firms are Asbest-Cementindustrie Asbestona, Eternit, Nefabas, Hertel & Co., Alfit, N.V. Johns-Manville, Asbeste-Ciment Coverit, Manufacture Belge d'Amiante et de Caoutchouc, Modernite, S.V.K. (Scheerders-Van Kerchove's), and Don International.

MEMBRANE FILTER METHOD

"Measurement of Airborne Asbestos Fiber by the Membrane Filter Method" has been prepared under the auspices of the Air Hygiene & Manufacturing Committee of the Asbestos Textile Institute to fill the need for instruction in the accurate measurement of airborne asbestos fiber in order to conform with Federal, State and Provincial statutory requirements for Asbestos Threshold Limit Value. The procedure described represents the technique approved for use in ATI members' own plants. The 16-page booklet is available at \$1.00 per copy (postpaid if sent via printed matter or third class mail) from ATI, P.O. Box 239, Pompton Lakes, New Jersey 07442.

IIHRP PROGRESS REPORT

The Spring 1971 issue of "Insulation Hygiene Progress Reports" (published quarterly by the Insulation Industry Hygiene Research Program), is devoted to the remarks presented at the 1970 annual meeting of the National Insulation Contractors Association. The report summarizes many safety practices that have been developed and illustrates the industry's progress since the first publication of health hazards to asbestos insulation workers in 1964 by Dr. I. J. Selikoff.