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W. P. Raines - CHQ

Meeting With United States Public Health Service
Water Contamination Studies
May 15 and May 16, 1968

On Wednesday, May 15 and Thursday, May 16, 1968,

Dr. Graham Walton and
Mr. Ronald Cooms,
Water Supply & Sea Resources Program
National Center for Urban & Industrial Health
Department of Health, Education & Welfare
Cincinnati, Ohio

visited the Research Center to discuss the results of our studies on contamination of potable water from asbestos-cement pipe. Meeting with them from Johns-Manville were:

F. L. Pundsack
J. P. Laimeweber
E. M. Jackson
K. M. Fenner

We completely reviewed with them phases (1) and (2) of our study:

(1) Study of Municipal Water Systems (9 cities)
(2) Round Brook/Manville Comparisons.

After introductory remarks by K. M. Fenner, J. P. Laimeweber described in detail the techniques we used. Data sheets giving complete results from these studies were passed out and discussed in detail.

During our discussions we repeatedly stressed two facts:

(1) The small size of fibers found - under 0.5 μ in diameter.
(2) Maximum fiber found in any municipal system was approximately 6 micrograms (6 μ g) per gallon.

Our visitors' reaction was very favorable. They stated they were impressed with the thoroughness and apparent accuracy of our study.

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Neither Dr. Walton nor Mr. Coons has medical or toxicological training. The data and impressions they obtained will be reviewed with medical people and toxicologists at Cincinnati. Final determinations will be based on our results and results from a study presently being conducted by their Environmental Activities Group. Findings will not be published or presented as a paper. They will be available to Johns-Manville and to any government official, such as a Public Health Officer. Findings may not be quoted by us in our advertising. However, we are at liberty to refer inquiries to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare for answers.

My impression is that Dr. Walton and Mr. Coons's report of our activities will be highly favorable to us.

E. M. Penner

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F. L. Pundsack

Water Contamination Studies

The results of our studies to date were discussed at the Environmental Health Task Force Meeting on Tuesday Night, May 14.

After the discussion, C. B. Burnett requested that we take these data and determine the effect of the fiber erosion upon the strength and life of the pipe. We should use the data from Wichita as a basis for this determination.

Could you arrange to have this information calculated?

E. M. Fenner

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October 14, 1968

E. M. Fenner

Water and Beer Tests
A. C. Smith's Note to You of 9/26/68

I understand that Jim Leineweber has discussed this with you. I assume you and he will get together after the second municipality is selected and you can come up with a schedule for sampling and testing.

I am returning, herewith, Mr. Smith's speed note.

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Dr. Herbert E. Stokinger's Presentation
ASCE Meeting, New Orleans, 2/6/69

Attached you will find a resume of the paper by Dr. Stokinger presented at the ASCE Meeting in New Orleans. Alan Wirsig attended this convention and was present to hear the paper referenced above. Alan contacted me by telephone on Friday, February 7th, and related what occurred during Dr. Stokinger's presentation. I then contacted Bill Raines and Matt Swetonic in our Public Relations Department and we attempted to record Alan Wirsig's recollection of the presentation by Dr. Stokinger. Unfortunately, we were unsuccessful in this recording and I then contacted Alan Wirsig and asked him to write up his recollection of what took place. The attached comments by Alan were written Friday afternoon on the return flight to New York from New Orleans and represents his recollections while the facts were relatively fresh in his mind.

I have not attempted to edit or inject my own opinions into the comments made by Alan Wirsig and would remind everyone that Alan's comments were written, without excessive detail, due to his sense of urgency.

J. F. Baker

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