

SHELL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

REFERENCE

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Asbestos

PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT

SH-1449

TO HS&E - CORPORATE MEDICAL
J. C. FRIEDMANN

DATE JANUARY 8, 1979

FROM SR. TOXICOLOGIST

SUBJECT TOXICOLOGY BACKGROUND FOR
MEDICAL SURVEILLANCE PROGRAMS

Product toxicologists have completed summaries for Asbestos, Lube Dewaxing, Isopropyl Alcohol and Propane Sultone. These are attached for your review and comments.

May we ask to be informed of the progress of the Pre-Separation Counseling Program.

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Attachments

cc *3* D. E. Stevenson
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BACKGROUND - FOR COUNSELING EMPLOYEES SEPARATING
FROM SPECIAL SURVEILLANCE EXAM PROGRAMS, I.E.

ASBESTOS

1. Brief review of the reasons (Toxicological/Medical) for originally instituting the ASBESTOS surveillance effort and our current knowledge of its potential health effects.

During the past several years there has developed an increasing concern about the health effects of exposure to asbestos fibers. Fibers of specific size and shape have long been associated with lung disease leading to breathing difficulties. Recently it has become apparent that such fibers can also lead to the development of cancers of the lungs and gastrointestinal tract. Shell has therefore established a medical surveillance program for employees who have possibly received asbestos exposure.

3. Specific recommendations:

- a. Medical

- b. Continue as active member of Shell's hospital medical/surgical program.

- c. Other

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