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Subj: Review of Tremolite Talc containing asbestos fibers on Mare Island Naval Shipyard

Ref: (a) FONECON between R. D. Patterson, SEA 073C, and A. E. Leveque, Code 185, NAVSHIPYDMARE, of 7 June 1978
(b) FONECON between R. D. Patterson, SEA 073C, and A. E. Leveque, Code 185, NAVSHIPYDMARE, of 16 June 1978

Encl: (1) Report of Review of Talc, containing asbestiform, used on Mare Island Naval Shipyard
(2) Field Information Memo #74-92, U. S. Department of Labor, OSHA

1. During a telephone conversation (reference a), Mare Island Safety Office reported that through microscopic evaluation, Talc used in production facilitating processes appeared to contain asbestos fibers. In a telephone conversation (reference b), the Safety Director, Mare Island Naval Shipyard, reported the findings and actions taken to NAVSEA. Enclosure (1) is results of the survey and enclosure (2) is background information pertaining to Tremolite and asbestiform requirements.

2. Actions taken.

a. A hold was placed on all Talc used in production facilitating processes to determine possible asbestiform contamination.

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