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Asphalt Saturated Asbestos Felt

As you know we have had too many complaints recently on the quality of the asbestos felt manufactured at FJ.

- A. 1) Heavy edge saturation causes sticking in the roll.
- 2) Poor perforation of the sheet.

Mr. Dickinson consulted with R.D. Adams on March 9, 10, 11, and Carroll Homan on March 15th. The following recommendations were made and are in the process of being implemented.

- B. 1) To correct the edge saturation additional wipers will be installed on the edge of the sheet, this Saturday, March 20th.
- 2) The perforation problem will be more involved. It seems that the perforations are excellent as they depart from the pin-roll and anvil-roll. It was thought that we would improve perforation by grooving the anvil-roll, this has already been done. Our problem seems to be where the sheet passes over the three pull-rolls, after departing from the pin-roll. The pull-rolls tend to close the perforations. We are conforming to suggestions by grooving the three pull-rolls.

Mr. Homan inspected three competitive products, Johns-Manville, Philip Carey, and G.A.F., while he was here March 15th, and it was his opinion that only Johns-Manville had a superior perforation of their product. He thought that both Carey and G.A.F. were inferior to Bird & Son.

I will make sure that the necessary follow-up is made and that all suggestions are implemented.