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Subject: Asbestos Study Committee
(Friction Materials)

Dear Fran:

This concerns the possible addition of a new committee within F.M.S.I. - an "Asbestos Study Committee" as discussed in Bulletin #406. A copy of Bulletin #406 is enclosed.

While the bulletin covers the essential points, I did want to make a personal contact to see if Bendix could contribute to such a committee.

Our concern is expressed for asbestos in brake linings because of several outside stimuli:

1. A proposed Illinois regulation: "The use of asbestos in brake lining of vehicles manufactured after January 1, 1975 and sold for use in Illinois is prohibited".
2. Possible effects of the new Occupational Health and Safety Act of 1970 as regards asbestos in the work place.
3. Some concern for particulates in the air - particularly asbestos in the air.

Fran, I don't really know what approach you would take. I do know that Bendix Research in Detroit has done some studying on particulates (rubber, asbestos, etc.) in the air. Also, perhaps at Troy or Cleveland someone has been made responsible for monitoring asbestos in the factory area.

If you have someone in either the factory area dealing with asbestos, or in the medical or hygiene area who could contribute, I'd appreciate word.

Let me have your comments on this.

Sincerely

Secretary

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Enclosure





MINUTES OF MEETING

of the

ASBESTOS STUDY COMMITTEE

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Wednesday, September 15, 1971 at 9:00 A.M.

at the

INSTITUTE OFFICE, 370 LEXINGTON AVENUE, NEW YORK, NEW YORK

MEMBERS PRESENT

E. P. Stefl	Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.
J. C. Henning	Firestone Tire & Rubber Company
	World Bestos Division
E. H. Feierabend	Abex Corporation
	American Brakeblok Division
W. B. Reitze	Johns-Manville Corporation
	Environmental Control Systems Division
M. G. Jacko (for W. Spurgeon)	Bendix Corporation
	Bendix Research Laboratories
J. B. Graham	Carlisle Corporation
	Molded Materials Division

OTHERS PRESENT

Representing the Asbestos Information Association, N.A., were the following:

W. Rhines	Secretary of A.I.A.	Johns-Manville Corporation
J. Callaghan	Retained by A.I.A.	Hill & Knowlton, Inc.,
		Public Relations Counsel

For the Institute:

E. Drislane	Executive Secretary	Friction Materials Standards
		Institute, Inc.

Dr. Stefl, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

Dr. Stefl discussed the reasons for forming the Committee and the background for this first meeting. It was stated that because of the addition of asbestos as a target for environmentalists, and the fact that state and federal regulations are being proposed for asbestos control, that it was in the best interest for the various asbestos users to be current on proposed regulations. Further, this committee within the Friction Materials Standards Institute, Inc., could present the brake lining (and clutch facing) manufacturers' views to both the Asbestos Information Association of North America and to the various regulatory agencies. Another objective of this Committee would be to keep the members of the Institute informed as to the status of regulations concerning asbestos both in-plant and in the general environment, and to advise on the methods of measuring these asbestos concentrations in the environment.

ASBESTOS INFORMATION ASSOCIATION, N.A.

Dr. Stefl discussed the problems that have arisen for asbestos products and asbestos users, where perhaps the best example is local legislation where the spray coating of asbestos in construction has been banned. A group of eight companies in asbestos mining and processing joined to form the Asbestos Information Association of North America. There are now nine members.

Two of the members of the A.I.A. are also members of the F.M.S.I.: Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc., and Johns-Manville Corp.

Creation of an Asbestos Study Committee within the Friction Materials Standards Institute was considered desirable by some of the A.I.A. members so that a working group in a particular area (brake linings and clutch facings) could give some input to the A.I.A. for their particular problems.

Dr. Stefl discussed briefly two different areas that are of concern: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) emission standards and the proposed Illinois law that would prohibit the use of asbestos in brake lining of vehicles manufactured after January 1, 1975, and sold for use in Illinois.

Mr. W. Raines then presented a slide program with an outline of the private and federal agencies who will be involved in environmental studies and rule making that will affect asbestos.

H.E.W. - Occupational Safety & Health - (the work area)
E.P.A. - Air Pollution (emission - general environment)
Nat'l Academy of Sciences (Doctors study to guide E.P.A.)
Various Private Research Institutes - (Studies based on Federal grants)

Mr. Raines then discussed the public's impressions concerning asbestos and the A.I.A.'s analysis of these impressions. This discussion was general concerning asbestos, and not aimed at the friction materials business.

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

Mr. Callaghan read from a prepared 4 page write-up some background on the Illinois Pollution Control Board - its organization, personnel, financing and operations. Mr. Callaghan distributed copies of this write-up to all committee members. He particularly pointed out that with the Illinois proposed legislation, that this is the first time that brake lining as such has come under the legislative spotlight in the movements for asbestos particulate control.

LITERATURE CONCERNING ASBESTOS

Dr. Stefl discussed and distributed literature compiled by Mr. Callaghan concerning asbestos in brake lining:

<u>Author</u>	<u>Publication</u>
Bentley, H. L.	"Control of the Use of Asbestos - Containing Friction Materials."
Hatch, D.	"Possible Alternatives to Asbestos as a Friction Material."
Hickish, D. E. Knight, K. L.	"Exposure to Asbestos During Brake Maintenance."
Knight, K. L. Hickish, D. E.	"Investigations into Alternative Forms of Control for Dust Generated During the Cleaning of Brake Assemblies and Drums."
Lee, G. L.	"Removing Dusts from Brake Assemblies During Vehicle Servicing - Alternative Cleaning Methods."
Lynch, J. R.	"Brake Lining Decomposition Products."

Author

Publication

Roach, S. A.

"Hygiene Standards for Asbestos."

Snither, W. J.

"Asbestos and Asbestosis."

"National Inventory of Sources and Emissions: Cadmium,
Nickel, and Asbestos - 1968. Asbestos, Section III,"

VEHICULAR TESTS FOR ASBESTOS EMISSIONS

Dr. Jacko advised that Bendix Research Laboratories are under contract to the E.P.A. to test and measure asbestos emission from brake linings. Part of the project includes emissions from clutch facings. This is part of a study of non-engine vehicle emissions - primarily rubber from tires and particulates (primarily asbestos) from brake linings.

Bendix is working with Dr. Somers of the E.P.A. in Ann Arbor. It is planned to make a draft report on this work in April 1972, with a final report due in June 1972.

ASBESTOS MONITORING PROCEDURES

In order for brake lining (and clutch facing) manufacturers, to be able to measure the asbestos concentration in the environment, Mr. Reitze will have some data prepared on monitoring equipment and techniques. This will be distributed to the general membership.

FUNCTION OF ASBESTOS STUDY COMMITTEE

It was stated that the committee was of value to the friction material industry if for no other reason than it could gather and disseminate to its members information about pending regulations concerning asbestos in the work place (occupational) and in the general environment (particulate emission).

Beyond that, it was felt that the Committee could draft comments relative to proposed regulations concerning asbestos and the brake lining industry in defense of reasonableness in the regulations.

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Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously passed, it was

RESOLVED: To adjourn.

Adjourned at 2:00 P. M.

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