

Product Engineering Office
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PROBLEM REPORT

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Subject: Asbestos Usage

Problem Description:

The latest communication from Vehicle Materials Engineering assigns three areas of responsibility to Engine Engineering with completion dates of 5-15-77, 5-30-77, and 7-15-77 respectively. We do not know who in Engine Engineering committed to these dates and if anyone is answering the latest document or establishing Project Orders. Complete DVS testing requirements will prohibit the implementation of any short-lead substitutions and thereby negating the 5-15 and 5-30 due dates; however, the approval of development programs for long-lead substitution (with carline introduction targeted) due 7-15-77 still needs area of responsibility direction.

Action Plan:

In order to accomplish this objective direction should be given to Materials Engineering and every Product Engineer (including advanced concepts) to review the requirements of each application and recommend a substitution plan with testing requirements. The Project Engineers would then have to write Project Orders to implement this program.

Effectiveness:

We do not believe that Engine is in a position to accept this task without revising the projected dates. Model Year 1980 would be the earliest date for at least partial model substitution. It should also be noted that the list of components using asbestos fibers submitted by us to the Vehicle Materials Engineering Office is not necessarily complete.

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- Reference Information:
1. Asbestos Usage -1 Vehicle Materials Engineering April, 1977
 2. Asbestos Usage Engine Materials Engineering March 15, 1977
 3. Asbestos Usage Vehicle Materials Engineering February 15, 1977
 4. Parts Containing Asbestos Engine Materials Engineering