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National Safety Council (NSC) was established in 1912 in Chicago by big business to share information on occupational safety and health. National Lead was represented in the National Safety Council at least as early as 1921, when the firm's CP Tolman was on the Executive Committee of NSC. The company remained active in NSC in later years; e.g., WH Comins represented the company in the Mining Section of NSC in 1931. NSC published many reports about dust hazards including asbestosis starting in 1929, including its monthly National Safety News, annual meetings (National Safety Congresses), and various other reports.

National Lead had the benefit of industrial hygiene surveys by Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. According to Met documents, the Titanium Alloy Manufacturing Company in Niagara Falls had a survey pending in 1950.

Titanium Alloy was also represented by RS Tabor at the founding meeting Jan. 15, 1935 of what became the Industrial Hygiene Foundation (IHF). National Lead was a member company of IHF (called Air Hygiene Foundation until 1941) as early as 1937, continuing through at least 1956. IHF had a staff of experts in industrial medicine and hygiene, did hundreds of confidential industrial hygiene surveys for corporations and trade associations by 1953, and starting 1937 published the Industrial Hygiene Digest as a service to member companies. This monthly publication included numerous abstracts, or summaries of recently published articles, articles published in several hundred scientific journals. Between 1937 and 1952, there were many abstracts on the lethality of asbestos published in the Digest, delivered monthly to member companies. These included the editorial in the Journal of the American Medical Association in 1949 on asbestosis and cancer of the lung.