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W. B. Reitze

In continuation of visits to J-M locations in Europe, toured plants at Alicante, Spain, and Newcastle, England, meeting with plant management and physicians. Meetings had also been arranged with representatives of various outside organizations. Discussions were held with two executives of Turner & Newall Ltd., a filter glass licensee, concerning fibrous glass and health hazards associated with fibrous glass. The same subject was discussed with executives of British Plasterboard.

Met with Dr. Walter Smither, Medical Director of Cape Asbestos; Alex Cross, Director General of ALA, and his successor, Sir Neville Sack. Discussions were centered on an updating of activities in the States and in the United Kingdom and Europe.

A meeting was held to discuss and clarify the results of recent perillite analysis which indicates that Nilos ore contains 10% to 15% free crystalline silica. Attending the discussions were J. K. Bradley, and D. R. Howlett of Pisons, Ltd.; M. A. Coates, Tilcon Perillite International; and John Durman, J-M Plant Manager of Newcastle plant.

J. R. Fanning

Handled routine Workers' Compensation, accounting, and budget matters.

D. R. Royce

Presented safety management information to directors and general managers at request of W. Sells.

Completed and issued 1977 injury data to directors of manufacturing. Provided "President's Awards" recognizing accident prevention achievements to appropriate division headquarters management.

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J. W. Siegfried

Numerous alternatives are being considered which may offer a way to break the long-standing deadlock regarding operating permits for our DuPont plant operations, relating to stack emission conditions.

Federal EPA is developing a New Source Performance Standard that would be applicable to glass furnaces, and HSA is following this matter closely. Activities include participation in the work of glass industry technical committees and also independent direct contact with EPA authorities. Appropriate members of the Fiber Glass Division are being kept suitably informed in respect to these developments.

G. L. Swallow

Issued Cristobalite Standards Investigation Interim Report and follow-up.

Negotiated industrial hygiene survey arrangements for members of the Denver lab to conduct surveys at J-4 locations in Mexico--Almeria and NEISA.

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