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A. J. LANZA, M. D.
477 First Avenue
New York 16, N. Y.

April 17, 1951

To Johns-Manville:

Statement of Expenses

Monday, March 26 to Sat., March 31, incl.

6 days @ $200	$1200
Incidental exp. incl. hotel	62
	$1262

METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
FREDERICK H. ECKER, PRESIDENT
New York City

ANTHONY J. LANZA, M.D.
Assistant Medical Director

March 20, 1931

Mr. Allen Kartmell,
15 Broad Street,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Kartmell:

Herewith is the report of the asbestos study. This is the summary report of the American plants studied. The Canadian summary report will be forthcoming shortly. In this report the plant of the Johns-Manville Company at Manville, N.J. is designated as Plant A. I am also sending a copy to Mr. Sager and if you wish additional copies, please let me know. Needless to say, I will be very glad to discuss this report or amplify any portions of it if you so desire.

It is, of course, understood that this report is confidential and it will be given no publicity by us except with the consent of the firms concerned. After you have had a chance to go over it, I should like the opportunity of discussing with you and your associates the question of publication.

With best regards and assuring you of my sincere appreciation of your unfailing assistance which made this report possible, I am,

Sincerely yours,

A. J. Lanza, M.D.
Assistant Medical Director.

Enc.

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METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
Frederick H. Ecker, President
New York City.

Anthony J. Lamm, M.D.
Assistant Medical Director.

May 31, 1932.

Vanderver Brown, Esq.,
Johns-Manville,
292 Madison Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Brown

Many thanks indeed for your letter of May 26th and the two volumes of the record of the case of Keller. I am very glad indeed to get this material and appreciate your courtesy in sending it to me.

I am now back in New York for good and hope to drop in and see you some time in the near future.

As you are probably aware, there are a great many of these cases being filed, particularly in Baltimore. I have had several enquiries from prospective people who want to go for such action as I shall put them, should simple ask if I can refer them to attorneys who are eligible practitioners. I have always taken the position that the Johns-Manville Company or anybody connected with it in any way has a conflicting interest there might not be some advantage in a community of interests, so to speak, for after all misery loves company.

Dr. Selzer of Detroit, Smith, Selzer, Brown and Keating, attorneys, [illegible] for the New York [illegible]. A [illegible] Baltimore in the matter of [illegible] Association [illegible] I think, the [illegible] organization [illegible] for the [illegible]

I [illegible] to [illegible] have seen them [illegible] of these people we [illegible] I have in the part of [illegible] Washington.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

(Signed) A. J. Lamm
Assistant Medical Director

(Manville, N.J.)

INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

JOHNS-MANVILLE

MANVILLE FACTORY

IAO-B-371

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Date 6/26/50

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SUBJECT: DUST CONTROL AT TWO SOUTH END PUNCHES

FILE: IA-1-4h

APPROPRIATION REQUEST: 951-IR-3472

90-15270

I PROJECT

It is proposed to install dust collection hoods at two Niagara Punch presses at the south end of "F" building in order to protect the safety and health of the employees.

II PRESENT FACILITIES

Provision for dust collection does not exist at these presses. Previous to January 1950 these presses punched shingles which had been air cured and washed, causing no dust problem. However, beginning with January, American Method #50's have been punched on the Niagaras. Since these are normal cure shingles, being punched before steam curing and washing, they have caused this dust problem.

It is now proposed to install dust collection hoods at the presses and connect them to the dust collection system serving the water repellent applicator, the air cleaner and the transite saw.

III TYPE OF PROJECT

This is a project to protect the safety and health of employees.

IV ESTIMATED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FOR PROJECT:

Fabricate and install dust collection hoods at 2 punch presses	$405
Ductwork and connections to existing lines	400
Contingencies at 10%	80
Total	$885

V OTHER INVESTMENT

None

VI BENEFITS

1. Improved protection of safety and health through dust control for 18 men who operate the punch presses and 50 more men at the nearby air cleaner, water repellent machine and transite saw. Operations are in progress 24 hours per day throughout the work week. Continuous complaints as to dust around the south end presses and nearby machines will be met in accord with plant management's assurance as to analysis and correction.

PREPARED BY F. E. Ryder REQUESTED BY P. D. Frost APPROVED SEE APPROVALS

ALWAYS REFER TO ABOVE REPORT NUMBER IN CORRESPONDENCE

VI BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

2. Compliance with dust concentration limits for this type exposure as specified by the Industrial Hygiene Department of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. The actual concentration is equal to that of the earth and gypsum, or 21.5 million parts per cubic foot of air whereas specified is five million.

VII TIME TO COMPLETE PROJECT

Estimated time to complete = 3 weeks
Estimated downtime = none
Estimated life = 20 years

VIII RECOMMENDATIONS

The contents of dust at the punch presses are asbestos, silica, cement, slate and limestone, a mixture exposure.

A disability resulting from this exposure under the present law is compensable in the approximate amount of $5000. Existing law (New Jersey law is contained in Chapter 15, Title 34 of the Revised Statutes (N.J. 2A:15 & 66) and as amended.

The compensation in the suggested revision of this law would increase the award to between $13,000 and $18,000 in New Jersey. The revised law 197 is now in committee with passage anticipated in 1951.

Therefore, in order to avoid consequences of continuing with inadequate equipment and in order to secure benefits of Section VI, early approval of this project is recommended.

APPROVALS

Approval by the Department Superintendent indicates belief in the improvement set forth and requests the Factory Manager's approval.

[signature]
Department Superintendent

Approval by the Plant Engineer certifies the correctness of the estimates covering the construction and mechanical soundness of the project.

[signature]
Plant Engineer

Approval by the Purchasing Agent certifies the correctness of the costs quoted F.O.B. Plant.

[signature]
Purchasing Agent

Approval by the Industrial Engineering Supervisor certifies the savings and benefits set forth are as represented, and that the proposal is sound by all standards which can be applied.

[signature]
Industrial Engineering Supervisor

OFFICE OF PROCUREMENT
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General Headquarters, Box 71
September 6, 1950

INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE

In the last several years, there has been considerable increase in knowledge concerning many industrial materials and processes and their relation to the health of the worker. Many new materials have introduced new problems of industrial hygiene, but there has been progress, too, in the techniques of exposure determination and control.

It has long been our policy to provide safe, healthful working conditions throughout Johns-Manville. In order to determine the extent of industrial hygiene exposures, a survey service by Johns-Manville personnel is now available to all locations.

Since industrial hygiene surveys provide objective measurements for interpreting exposure hazard, efficiency of existing control systems, necessity for new control capacity or design, general plant surveys should be made at least annually. Equipment installation, process revision, material substitution affecting exposure potential would indicate necessity for additional samplings.

The plant manager desiring the survey will address his request for such service to the appropriate location from which a technician is available.

West Coast Plants	send request	to	Lompoc Plant Manager
Midwest and Southern	"	"	"	Waukegan Ind. Prod. Plant Manager
Eastern Plants	"	"	"	Gen. Eng. Chief Plant Engineer
Canadian	"	"	"	Asbestos Mine Manager

Direct expenses of the survey, other than salary, will be paid and absorbed by the plant requesting the survey.

The survey samples and essential data will be forwarded to the
Industrial Hygiene Laboratory
Metropolitan Life Insurance Company
1 Madison Avenue
New York, N.Y.
for analysis. A copy of the data submitted will be forwarded to GH Safety Engineer. Reports of the laboratory analysis will be furnished the plant manager, the survey technician and GH Safety Engineer.

Correction of industrial hygiene problems identified by the survey is the responsibility of the plant manager.

L. C. HART

TO: 1101, 1104, 1111, 1121,
23, 39, 41

October [illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible], Director,
Industrial Hygiene Foundation, Inc.
[illegible] Fifth Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Penna.

Dear [illegible]

I am finally in a position to reply to your letter of August 21st, addressed to all members of the Hygiene Foundation, requesting certain information regarding non-occupational sickness and accident indemnification plans.

Enclosed you will find one of our so-called employees' folders which contains the Company's policy on group health and accident insurance. This is one of a group of literature provided each employee and which outlines the Company's policy on various matters. I believe this is the only literature we have descriptive of our accident and health insurance.

In the form that accompanied your letter we have furnished certain of the information you have requested. The questions relating to the number of cases of disability for which payment was made and the number of days of lost time we are unable to supply, since the Company does not keep records of this type and Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, our carrier, has indicated that, due to the shortage of clerical assistance, they are unable to compile the information. I believe Metropolitan received similar requests from several companies and that they communicated with you concerning the subject.

Sincerely yours,

Vradiver Lyons,
Secretary.

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY-BELLEVUE MEDICAL CENTER
OF NEW YORK UNIVERSITY
INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL MEDICINE
477 FIRST AVENUE, NEW YORK 16, N.Y.

CHelsea 3-3200

April 25, 1951

Mr. J. P. Woodard
Johns-Manville Corp.
22 East 40th St.
New York 16, N. Y.

Dear Page:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from Dr. Shepard. I think this disposes of that particular angle of our various obstacles.

I have just gotten back from Atlantic City and am going to Maryville, Tennessee tomorrow. I will be back in the office next Tuesday and will phone you.

Sincerely your,

A. J. Lanza, M.D.

AJL:le
Encl.

Johns-Manville

Internal Correspondence

Date October 9, 1981

To K. C. Culley 2-18

From W. B. Reitze WBR 1-66

Copies D. E. Markuesen 2-20

Subject: INSURANCE INTERROGATORY REQUESTING INFORMATION REGARDING INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE DEPARTMENT TESTING PRIOR TO 1952

The following data lists the dates, plant locations, and persons performing the outside surveys prior to 1952. It should be noted that some of the Travelers surveys were actually performed by some of our people and analyzed by the Travelers Insurance Company laboratories.

To detail the in-house sampling would be considerably more work, but it can be done if you so desire.

1931 - Manville - Mostly textiles - Metropolitan.
1934 - Manville - No copy of survey on file, but 2 volumes, at least 35 pages. Metropolitan.
1934 - Waukegan - All departments - Metropolitan.
1935 - Manville - No copy of survey on file. Metropolitan.
1944 - Asbestos (Quebec) plant - Textiles - Quebec Ministry of Health.
1945 - Asbestos plant - All departments - Metropolitan.
1945 - Jeffrey mine - Metropolitan.
1946 - Asbestos plant - All departments - Local.
1946 - Manville - Mostly textiles - Metropolitan.
1947 - Manville - Mostly textiles, at least 12 pages, but no copy on file - Metropolitan.
1948 - Manville - PFM - Metropolitan.
1948 - Asbestos plant - Paper P/C and textiles - Quebec Ministry of Health.
1949 - Manville - RMM - Metropolitan.
1949 - Waukegan - IPD and RMM - Metropolitan.
1950 - Waukegan - IPD and RMM - Metropolitan.
1950 - Manville - All departments - Metropolitan.
1951 - Manville - PFM - Metropolitan.
1951 - Manville - RMM - Travelers.
1951 - Waukegan - IPD and RMM - Travelers.
1951 - Asbestos plant - PFM and RMM - Quebec Ministry of Health. (Travelers survey made also)

1952 - Travelers surveys at:

Waukegan - All departments
Manville - All departments
Long Beach Pipe
Pittsburg
Nashua
Billerica
Marrero - All departments
Jeffrey
Asbestos plant - All departments
(Also local survey same year)