



Turners Asbestos Cement Co.
Trafford Park.

Attention of Mr. R. Newton

JAS/VK

15th June 1945

Asbestosis Regulations
Spray Machine Operatives

With reference to your letter of 14th June enquiring as to the position of the Asbestos Spray process in relation to the Asbestosis Scheme, this question was considered early in 1944 when Newalls Insulation Co. Ltd. began to use the Spray process to a considerable extent, and I think it will be sufficient if I give you the gist of a communication sent to Mr. Grieve of Newalls Insulation Co. Ltd. at that time.

The position is that legally we consider that Spray operatives are not subject to the Asbestosis Regulation as the Spray process was not in use when the Regulations were drafted and the wording of the Regulations, in our view, does not apply to the Spray process. Although this is so, Mr. Shepherd considers that all appropriate precautionary measures should be taken, for example, the wearing of respirators and the non-employment of juveniles, just as if the Regulations actually applied, and no doubt you will see that these measures are taken by your own employees and by the employees of any Licensees whom you may authorise to use the process.

In view of the fact that legally the Asbestosis Regulations do not apply to Spray operatives it is not necessary, under present circumstances, for a contribution to the Asbestosis Fund to be made by T.A.C.Co.Ltd. in respect of such employees.

I hope that the above information will dispose of the query you have raised, but if you need any further information no doubt you will write to us again.

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From

Turners Asbestos Cement Co. Ltd.
TRAFFORD PARK, MANCHESTER

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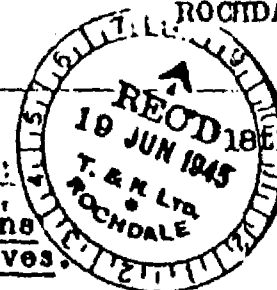
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J. L. Collins Esq.,
Turner & Newall Ltd.,
Spotland,
ROCHDALE.

Your Ref.:

Our Ref.: RN/DW.

Asbestosis Regulations
Spray Machine Operatives.



June, 1945.

I have received a letter from Mr. Smith, setting out the position in regard to operatives engaged on the Asbestos Spray process. The position is perfectly clear so far as we are concerned but there is just one point on which I should like your opinion; at the end of the second paragraph of his letter Mr. Smith says that no doubt we shall see that the usual precautionary measures are taken by our own employees and by the employees of any Licensees whom we may authorise to use the process. The point I am raising is whether, in writing to sub-licensees, you have any particular views on the way in which we should refer to the decision taken by T.&N; it is a T.&N. decision and can probably only be passed on to the sub-licensees as our own opinion and not as an official ruling from either the Home Office.

Turners Asbestos Cement Co. Ltd.,
511 G.S. ROAD, TRAFFORD PARK, TRAFFORD

Trafford Park.

Attention of Mr. H. Newton

19th June 1945.

JLC/OP

Asbestosis Regulations
Spray Machine Operatives

Thank you for your letter of yesterday's date, referring to Mr. J. A. Smith's letter to you of 15th June on this subject. His letter was in fact largely a repetition of the letter which I wrote on the subject to N.I. Co. Ltd. last year, and I think that the position is still as it was then. We take the attitude that legally the Spray Machine operatives are not subject to the Regulations but that all appropriate precautionary measures should be taken, and we have in fact agreed with the Home Office and with appropriate Factory Inspectors that juveniles shall not be employed and that respirators will be worn. In view of the above it seems to me that your Sub-Licensees should similarly be instructed that legally the Asbestosis Regulations do not apply, and if the point is raised with them by any Factory Inspector they can say that they have been advised by T.A.C. Co. Ltd. that the Regulations do not apply, but that nevertheless all appropriate precautionary

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measures should be taken. You should therefore tell your Sub-Licensees to be careful to take such precautions at all times.

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Secretary.

From

Turners Asbestos Cement Co.
Limited,
TRAFFORD PARK

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To

J.L. Collins, Esq.
Turner & Newall Ltd.,
Spotland,
Rochdale.

Your Ref.:

Our Ref.: RN/BW.

3rd August 1945



Asbestosis Regulations
Spray Machine Operatives

I am attaching copy of a letter which was drawn up following correspondence with you in June, 1945, and which it has been our practice to send to companies appointed as Sub-Licensees.

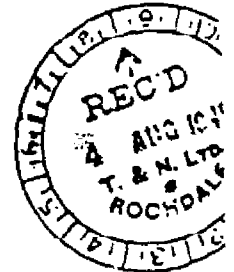
In view of the alterations which have taken place consequent upon the passing of the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act, I have discussed this letter with Mr. Stone as to whether or not any alteration should be made and he recommended that I should refer the matter to you in view of the earlier correspondence.

I think the attached letter still meets the situation, but you may feel that we should make some reference to the fact that Asbestosis now comes under the main description of "pneumoconiosis".

Perhaps you will be good enough to consider the matter and let me have your views hereon in due course.

K. Lewis

C O P Y



Dear Sirs,

Asbestosis Regulations
Spray Machine Operatives

In connection with the use of the Asbestos Spray process by your operatives, it is considered desirable to draw your attention to the Asbestosis Regulations in relation to the process.

We take the attitude that legally the Spray Machine operatives are not subject to the regulations and if a point is raised with you by any Factory Inspector you say that you have been advised by T.A.C. Co. Ltd. to that effect, but even so, all appropriate precautionary measures should be taken, for example, the wearing of respirators and the non-employment of juveniles. No doubt you will see that such precautions are taken at all times.

Yours faithfully,