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SUBJECT ASBESTOS - KAISER CEMENTS

KAISER COMPANIES
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There are three current cement products which contain asbestos fibers.
These are:

1. Permanente Plant Plastic Gun Cement - 2.5% by weight of asbestos fibers.
2. Permanente Plant Plastic Cement - 1.0% by weight of asbestos fibers.
3. Cushenbury Plant Plastic Gun Cement - 2.1% by weight of asbestos fibers.

These three cements are utilized by the construction trade for cement plaster (stucco) principally applied to exterior walls of homes, apartments, etc. The Plastic Gun cements are applied by machine (plaster gun); whereas, Plastic cement is applied manually. The cements are used with between 4 to 5 parts by volume of clean plaster sand and water to produce a cohesive, workable mix. All plaster is machine mixed. There can be considerable air-borne dusting in the vicinity of the mixer as the bags of cement are broken and emptied into the hopper of the mixer. As the sand and cement are mixed, prior to the addition of the water, there is dusting, also. These conditions are our concern.

The cements are essentially type II standard portland cement to which several percents of mineral plasticizing and air-entraining agents are added, plus the small percents of asbestos fiber noted. The cements are approximately 94 to 96% type II (standard) portland cement.

What other information is needed, Jim?

JCM/mr
Attachments