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During late September this year, William R. Bradley and Associates conducted an Environmental Health Investigation at the Berlin Plant. The results of their investigation were transmitted to S. H. Thomas on October 23, 1968.

Several areas in which Dust Exposure exceeded safe limits were identified and suggestions for correction were submitted. Through the office of Mr. Thomas, engineering requests recommending equipment modifications to correct these areas have been initiated.

To minimize the exposure of Berlin employees to potential health hazards, Mr. Bradley suggests the use of American Optical R 91000 Dust Filter Masks (pneumoconiosis dust) in the following areas:

1. Unloading of box cars containing diatomite shipped in paper bags.
2. Employees working on the integrated line saving stations.
3. Employees working at the band saving stations.

I strongly recommend the use of dust masks in the above areas, and that all employees working in these areas continue to be scheduled for annual chest x-rays.

The dust filter masks are available from:

American Optical Corporation
Safety Products Division
South Bridge, Massachusetts 01550

I will appreciate your cooperation and support in directing the purchase and use of the dust mask's as recommended.

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