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SUBJECT: Response to OS/HS No. 3 Powerhouse - Texas City Plant

Gentlemen:

The attached is the 1984 4th Quarter update to the concerns from the Operational Safety/Health Survey at No. 3 Powerhouse.

Again, let me thank you for a fine job. The implementation of the items identified in your survey will contribute significantly to the safety of our operation at No. 3 Powerhouse.

Very truly yours,

K. W. Klyng

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Attachment

HL.1 Knockout Pots - Cont'd

Response

The drains will be re-routed to one unit blowdown pot minimizing any possible personnel exposure.

Completion Date: Complete

Responsibility: G. G. Cochran

HL.2 Removal of Asbestos-Containing Insulation

Asbestos-containing insulation is still present in the No. 3 Powerhouse facility. Some activities require that this insulation be stripped. When the maintenance department insulator strips asbestos-containing insulation, OSHA CFR 1910.1001 regulations are reported to be followed. However, employee exposure to ambient concentrations of asbestos fibers have reportedly occurred at times when:

- 1) Unit personnel disregard the barriers installed around the area where asbestos-containing insulation is being removed.
- 2) Maintenance personnel other than insulators unintentionally strip asbestos-containing insulation.
- 3) Insulator's outer clothing which is contaminated with asbestos fibers is not properly removed.
- 4) Winds carry the asbestos fibers outside the area that is barricaded for the removal operation.

Recommendation

Continue emphasizing to unit personnel the importance of obeying barriers and the importance of following established procedures when removing asbestos-containing insulation and when removing asbestos-contaminated clothing. When the insulation material is unknown, the insulation should be treated as though it contains asbestos.

Response

All personnel in the area will be removed from roped off areas during removal of asbestos insulation.

Completion Date: Complete

Responsibility: B. Vyvial