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FROM G. L. BAKER
CLOSURE DIVISION
RICHMOND, INDIANA

TO MR. A. J. SARTSCHEV
PITTSBURGH, O.P. - 7

February 20, 1973

RE: REPLACEMENT OF ASBESTOS-CONTAINING INSULATION BLOCK

A review of the Richmond facilities has confirmed that we have no furnaces containing insulation block. We will, therefore, have no requirement to change furnace lining materials.

We do have some old pipe insulation containing asbestos and on rare occasions we use asbestos shorts to insulate pipe fittings.

The attached Memorandum has been sent to our Maintenance Department Supervisors outlining working regulations which must be used when personnel are exposed to these materials.

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Attachment

cc: R. C. Finney
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J. G. MERCIER
CLOSURE DIVISION
RICHMOND, INDIANA

MEMORANDUM

February 19, 1973

RE: OSHA STANDARD - 1910.93a ASBESTOS DUST

The captioned Standard has been in effect since July 7, 1972. It states,

> "The maximum time-weighted average exposure is limited to five asbestos fibers, having a length longer than five micrometers, per milliliter of air."

In our plant the use of asbestos shorts for valve and fitting insulation constitutes the greatest exposure our employees have to asbestos fibers.

Compliance with the Standard can be effected by handling this material only when it is thoroughly wet and making any necessary clean-up of the working area with a vacuum sweeper.

We do have some asbestos air-cell pipe insulation on the original steam and compressed air manifold-piping. If any sizeable portion of this covering has to be removed, the workman will be required to wear a Scott Air Pack during the actual removal and then clean up the working area with a vacuum sweeper.

J. G. MERCIER

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