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subject ASBESTOS STANDARD

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On December 7, 1971, there was published in the Federal Register, a new Emergency Standard for Exposure to Asbestos, which became effective that day. This standard was promulgated and is effective under the authority of the Federal Department of Labor, and its Occupational Safety and Health Act.

It lowers the permissible airborne concentration of asbestos from 12 fibers/cc to 5 fibers/cc, a level we have been working toward but have not fully reached in either Berlin or Bloomington.

This standard further states that when these limits are exceeded and engineering controls has not suitably reduced the exposure, "the employer shall require the use of respiratory protective devices".

In addition, there are rules and regulations dealing with waste and scrap handling and disposal.

In both N. J. and Illinois, agreements have been reached by which the State Labor Departments will also enforce these Federal regulations. Also under OSHA, individual employees have the right to file a complaint and request an inspection of the plant. Therefore, we should undertake those actions needed and recommended in order to bring these asbestos operations within compliance of the law.

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