

# Monsanto

MONSANTO FIBERS AND INTERMEDIATES CO.  
P. O. Box 1311  
Texas City, Texas 77590  
Phone: (713) 945-4431

September 26, 1983

Gerald A. Baty, Area Director  
Occupational Safety & Health Administration  
U.S. Department of Labor  
2320 La Branch, Room 1103  
Houston, Texas 77004

Re: Citation M6013-167 dated 8/22/83, as amended by  
the informal settlement agreement of 9/01/83.

Dear Sir:

Monsanto Fibers & Intermediates Company is complying with 29 CFR 1910.1001 (F)(2)(ii) concerning personal monitoring of airborne asbestos. This monitoring has been done and will be continued at intervals of no more than six months for our employees whose exposure to asbestos may exceed the limits prescribed by paragraph (b) of 29 CFR 1910.1001.

Very truly yours,



R. T. Hammann, Superintendent  
Loss Prevention & Safety Dept.

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## OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

## CITATION and NOTIFICATION OF PENALTY

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2300 LaBranch - Room 1103  
Houston, Texas 77004

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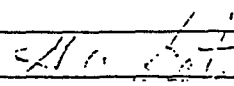
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INSPECTION DATE:  
6/23/83 - 7/1/83

INSPECTION SITE:  
201 South Bay Street  
Texas City, Texas 77590

TO: Monsanto Fibers and Intermediates Company  
and its successors  
P.O. Box 1311  
Texas City, Texas 77590  
ATTN: Mr. Gene L. Tremblee, Plant Manager

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| ITEM NUMBER<br>STANDARD, REGULATION OR SECTION OF THE ACT VIOLATED:                                                                                                                                                                              | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | DATE BY WHICH<br>VIOLATION MUST<br>BE CORRECTED | PEN |
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| 1                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 29 CFR 1910.1001(f)(2)(ii): The airborne asbestos monitoring schedule was not of sufficient frequency and pattern as to represent with reasonable accuracy the levels of employee exposure to airborne asbestos fibers:                                                                                        | Immediately<br>Upon Receipt                     | 50  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | (-) Monsanto Fibers and Intermediates Company in Texas City, Texas, does not conduct personal monitoring for airborne asbestos fibers at intervals of 6 months or less for employees whose exposure to asbestos may reasonably be foreseen to exceed the limits prescribed by paragraph b of 29 CFR 1910.1001. |                                                 |     |
| 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | ITEM DELETED BY SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 9/26/83                                         | 50  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 29 CFR 1910.1001(j)(2): The employer did not provide or make available, to each employee, within 30 days following his first employment in an occupation exposed to airborne levels of asbestos fibers, a comprehensive medical examination:                                                                   |                                                 |     |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | (a) On June 30, 1983, an employee working on Unit 16 K2 was exposed to 0.23 fibers per cubic centimeter of air. This exposure occurred during an asbestos insulation removal. The sample taken was a 15-minute ceiling sample.                                                                                 |                                                 |     |
| <div> <div>AREA DIRECTOR</div> <div>  </div> </div>                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                 |     |

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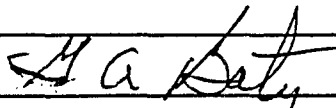
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days (excluding weekends and Federal non-days) whichever is longer.

This citation describes violations of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970. The penalty(ies) listed below are based on these violations. You must correct the violations referred to in this citation by the dates listed below and pay the penalties proposed, unless within 15 working days (excluding weekends and Federal holidays) from your receipt of this citation and penalty you mail a notice of contest to the U.S. Department of Labor Area Office at the address shown above. (See the enclosed booklet which outlines your responsibilities and courses of action and should be read in conjunction with this form.)

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<sup>14</sup> AREA DIRECTOR  
GERALD A. BATY



**NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES** — The law gives an employee or his representative the opportunity to object to any abatement date set for a violation if he believes the date to be unreasonable. The contest must be mailed to the U.S. Department of Labor Area Office at the address shown above within 15 working days (excluding weekends and Federal holidays) of the receipt by the employer of this citation and penalty.

**EMPLOYER RESPONSIBILITIES AND COURSES OF ACTION** — The enclosed booklet outlines employer responsibilities and courses of action and should be read in conjunction with this notification.

**EMPLOYER DISCRIMINATION UNLAWFUL** — The law prohibits discrimination by an employer against an employee for filing a complaint or for exercising any rights under this Act. An employee who believes that he has been discriminated against may file a complaint no later than 30 days after the discrimination with the U.S. Department of Labor Area Office at the address shown above.

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29 CFR 1910.1001(f)(2)(ii): The airborne asbestos monitoring schedule was not of sufficient frequency and pattern as to represent with reasonable accuracy the levels of employee exposure to airborne asbestos fibers:

(a) Monsanto Fibers and Intermediates Company in Texas City, Texas, does not conduct personal monitoring for airborne asbestos fibers at intervals of 6 months or less for employees whose exposure to asbestos may reasonably be foreseen to exceed the limits prescribed by paragraph b of 29 CFR 1910.1001.

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2 ITEM DELETED BY SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

29 CFR 1910.1001(j)(2): The employer did not provide or make available, to each employee, within 30 days following his first employment in an occupation exposed to airborne levels of asbestos fibers, a comprehensive medical examination:

(a) On June 30, 1983, an employee working on Unit 16 E2 was exposed to 0.23 fibers per cubic centimeter of air. This exposure occurred during an asbestos insulation removal. The sample taken was a 15-minute ceiling sample.

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WILLIAM A. BARTY

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