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April 15, 1977

Mr. Howard Bergman, Administrator
Environmental Protection Agency
Region VI
First International Building
1201 Elm Street
Dallas, Texas 75270

Ref: Notification of Emergency
Renovation Involving Asbestos

Dear Mr. Bergman:

Pursuant to Title 40 - Chapter 1 - Part 61.22d, please accept this notification of renovation of asbestos insulation from a petro/chemical pressure vessel.

The stripping/removing of asbestos insulation has been necessitated by a suspected weakness of a lateral weld in a Hydrocarbon Fractionation Tower.

Owner/Operator of demolition operation:

Mundy Industrial Maintenance Inc.
P.O. Box 22226
Houston, Texas 77027

Description: The existing insulation will be removed from parts of a Hydrocarbon Fractionation Tower.

This tower is 10 feet in diameter by 125 feet high.

The asbestos will only be removed at lateral tower weldment joints which are at intervals of 10 feet.

The asbestos insulation will only be removed at 12 elevations from around the tower. These 12 elevations correspond to the vessel's weldment joints.

The tower, and asbestos, is 12 years of age and was constructed for its present purpose.

We will strip and remove a maximum of 750 square feet of asbestos.

Site Location: Monsanto Chemical
Chocolate Bayou
Brazoria County, Texas

Schedule: Commencing on or about April 20, 1977.
Completion on or about April 27, 1977.

Operational Plan: Scaffolding will be erected approximately to the 120 foot elevation to be completed by 4/20/77.

At weldment points (at 10 foot intervals) a 2 foot wide strip of asbestos insulation will be removed.

The asbestos will be kept wet while exterior sheathing is removed and during all subsequent handling. The insulation will be removed in 2 foot pieces, kept wet, bagged in sealable plastic bags, and lowered to ground.

It will be loaded in marked asbestos debris containers and buried within plant's disposal site.

Disposal Site: Buried on site.

Mr. Bergman, if we can be of further assistance or answer any questions, please contact us.

Sincerely yours,

MUNDY INDUSTRIAL MAINTENANCE INC.

Franklin G. Poston
Corporate Safety Director

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