PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT

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August 8, 1977

Transmission Division
Livonia Plant

FILE

To: Mr. R. D. Byrom

cc: J. R. Lantsch

From: Otto Martinok

Subject: Michigan Department of Health Visit, August 4, 1977

On Thursday, August 4, 1977, Messrs. Warren Harding and William Bernardo, Michigan Department of Health, arrived at the Livonia Plant at 9:00 a.m., in response to an employe complaint (see attached). Mr. Steve Lawrence, Jr., UAW Safety & Health Representative, and I discussed the employe's complaint with the two gentlemen. I advised them that we were aware of subject complaint (see attached) and discussed same with Mr. Robert J. Bennett.

I gave Messrs. Harding and Bernardo our complete and comprehensive file of industrial hygiene surveys and actions taken in the area of asbestos. Two personal samples were taken on an employe on the South Alliance Clutch line and one-hour samples were taken on an employe operating Clutch Stacking Machine on Assembly Line #2.

Comments by both hygienists, after reviewing complete file, indicated they felt we were getting, although well within the limits, higher readings than what they observed.

Closing the meeting, they indicated they will advise us of their findings within 30 days and requested a review of OSHA 100 records in our Medical Section on employes out of the Plant. They reviewed the records momentarily and approved. The hygienists left the Plant at 4:00 p.m.

Otto Martinok

Otto O. Martinok
Senior Safety Engineer

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cc: [illegible]

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Send the completed form to
BUREAU OF INDUSTRIAL HEALTH
Division of Occupational Health
Michigan Department of Public Health
3500 N. Logan Street
Lansing, Michigan 48914

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REQUEST FOR HEALTH HAZARD EVALUATION
COMPLAINT OF OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH HAZARDS

This form is provided to assist in registering a complaint concerning occupational health hazards or a request for a health hazard evaluation

1 Establishment Ford Motor Company (Livonia Transmissions)

Company Address Street 35600 Plymouth Rd. Telephone GA 72000
City Livonia County Wayne Zip Code 48150

2. Name and phone number of employer's agent(s) in charge

3. Principal company activity Manufacturing
(Manufacturing, construction, transportation, services, etc.)

4 Specify the particular building, department or worksite where the potential hazard is located, including the address if different from above Same address - Department 90, final assembly

5. Describe briefly the hazard(s) by completing the following information:

Identification of hazard or toxic substance(s) ASBESTOS DUST - inhaled by workers

(If a chemical substance, provide manufacturer's name and address, product name and/or identification number if known)

Physical form Dust [X] Noise [ ] Gas [ ] Liquid [ ] Mist [ ] Fume [ ] Other [ ]

Type of exposure? Breathing [X] Skin contact [X] Other [ ]

Number of people exposed 2 -6 general area Length of exposure (hours/day) 8-10 hrs. day/5-6 days per

6. Occupations of exposed employees Assemblers of transmissions - install clutch plates

7. Describe the conditions or circumstances which prompted this request and other relevant information, such as the nature of the ill[illegible]ss or symptoms of exposure, the concern for the potentially toxic effects of a new chemical substance, etc. I noticed dust [illegible]hen these plates (clutch) were stacked together. I inquired as to what it was and found it was asbestos. My wife works in a hospital (dietitian) and who found out that if [illegible]ng a few years of exposure a person has an increased incidence to these problems: 1). Bro[illegible]ho-genic Carcinoma, 2) Bronchial Adenoma, 3) Bronchiolay Carcinoma, 4) Alveolar Proteino[illegible]s. (cont. on back.)
(Use back of sheet for further comments)

8 Is th[illegible] request or complaint alleging a similar hazard, being filed with any other governmental agencies? If so, give the name o[illegible]

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5) Pneumoconioses (Asbestosis)

The breakdown on these illnesses was found in:

Current Medical Diagnosis and Treatment by Marcus A. Krupp, M.D., Milton J. Chatton, M.D., and associate authors. Lange Medical Publications: Los Altos-Cal. 1974

My concern is for my fellow employees and hopefully is ill-founded, but if this is a dangerous method for the production of transmissions it should be changed. The managers in this area (Dept. 90) don't seem to realize the potenial hazards, and didn't even know what this dust was. I appreciate your help.

Thank You.

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RESPONSIBLE MANAGER

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ATTENTION

MANAGERS of DEPARTMENT 90 and
Those in a position of responsibility.

The clutch plates are currently being installed in a dangerous method. As some of the plates are stacked together dust blows off in the surrounding area and is breathed by the workers in close proximity. This dust is ASBESTOS. It has been found to be very hazardous to the human being, especially in the area of breathing and lung diseases, and it has been linked to cancer. I would like to draw your attention to the problem and hopefully it will not be a problem any more. As to the workers currently performing the process; They should be informed of the hazard, They should be checked by a doctor, and they should be told their lungs will never catch fire. Please act as responsible men would.

Sincerely,

Robert J Bennett

Robert J. Bennett

Our safety is your business.

Employee Management

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