

## PITTSBURGH CORNING CORPORATION

## INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

M. Trkula

From John L. Hyde

Subject Tyler, Texas, Trip of December 2, 3, 4 - 1969

Date December 8, 1969

Purpose of Trip:

To review the dust collection proposal for the stock preparation and builder areas.

Personnel Present:

C. E. van Horne  
M. Trkula  
J. L. Hyde  
D. Warren (Part Time)

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Summary of Business Covered:

Prints of the proposed duct and hood layout for the feeder and builder areas were reviewed and preliminary approval (pending a more thorough review) was received from Mr. van Horne. The property adjacent to the plant (site of the proposed new plant) and the south end of the present facility were physically reviewed and suggested as proposed locations for the dust collector. It was agreed to consider, for purposes of submitting an appropriation request, placing the unit on the property adjacent to the plant. The exact location would attempt to minimize any probability of relocating the dust collector, should plans for the proposed new plant be approved.

The subject of retrieving fibers picked up by the dust collection system was discussed and it was mentioned that the proposed cyclones should be of considerable aid in this respect. A method of fiber retrieval could result in a better utilization of material and reduced costs, and would be worthy of further study.

While touring the plant, the mineral wool feeder used at Tyler was reviewed and several structural deficiencies (cracked beams and bowed uprights) were brought to the attention of Central Engineering personnel. During the tour, it was suggested that analysis of builder work elements and a rearrangement of duties might increase building productivity. Tyler had initiated such a study, several months ago, and increased efficiency by utilizing a third man on some pipe sizes.

Commitments and Recommendations:

1. Mr. van Horne agreed to obtain the following bids from local fabricators/contractors:
  - a. Labor and material to fabricate and install hoods and ducting according to the drawings and specifications supplied by Central Engineering.

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- b. Labor required to tear ut old ducting and hoods.
  - c. Labor and material required to fabricate and install structural supports for ducting per drawings by Central Engineering.
2. Central Engineering will supply all other required estimates.
  3. The appropriation request is to be completed the first week of January 1970.
  4. Central Engineering also agreed to redraw the layout for the proposed new plant and supply reproducibles and prints to Tyler for their use.
  5. Three (3) additional copies of ducting prints are to be sent to Tyler and used by contractors for bidding purposes.

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cc: C. E. van Horne

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