

May 14, 1968

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Mr. William F. Hulse
Assistant Director, Technical Operations
American Society for Testing & Materials
1916 Race Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103

Subject: ASTM Membership

Dear Mr. Hulse:

Please refer to your letter of May 9, 1968, on this subject.

I have again been assured by our Mr. S. M. Lillis, Divisional Chief Engineer, that a Company application for membership in ASTM is being processed by our headquarters in Toledo, Ohio. This action was initiated following Mr. Bystrom's contact by letter of Mr. W. W. Rasmussen, Director, Product Research & Engineering, Dana Corporation, Toledo, Ohio.

Pending any written notice contrary to the above recap, I will hold off any action on a personal membership in ASTM in order to satisfy the requirements of your membership policy and participation on technical committees.

This memo will confirm my verbal report to you and the F-3 Executive Committee at our April 8, 1968, meeting in Dearborn, Michigan.

Yours truly,

VICTOR DIVISIONS - DANA CORPORATION

J. C. Toman

J. C. Toman
Materials Development Laboratory

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cc: J. H. Bystrom
S. M. Lillis
A. K. Potepan
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W. W. Rasmussen

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9 May 1968

Mr. J. C. Toman
Dana Corporation
Victor Gasket Division
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ASTM MEMBERSHIP

We are having a little problem with your membership on F-3, as technically you have lost your membership when the Victor Company became a part of the Dana Corporation, who dropped their industrial membership for 1968. See the attached letter.

You cannot be an officer and member of F-3 unless you are a personal society member, or the Dana Corporation reconsiders their company membership.

I am requesting our membership department to write to your president pointing out the values of company membership.

In the meantime, I suggest you apply as a personal member and I enclose a membership form.

I am hoping we don't have to list you in the 1968 Year Book as a consulting member. You probably will want to discuss this letter with Mr. Lillis.

William F. Hulse

WILLIAM F. HULSE
Assistant Director, Technical Operations
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cc: G. Graham
A. Potepan
J. Bystrom



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"for the Promotion of Knowledge of the Materials of Engineering."

"ation of Specifications and the Methods of Testing"
from ASTM Charter, March 20, 1902



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COPY OF LETTER

H. F. Hulse
[Handwritten signature]

20 March 1968

Miss Agnes K. Potepan,
Membership Secretary ASTM F-3,
Greene, Tweed and Co.,
Elm Ave.,
North Wales, Pa. 19454

Dear Miss Potepan:

I must advise that Victor Manufacturing and Gasket Co. which I understand has been acquired by Dana Corporation, will not be renewing its industrial membership in ASTM for 1968. We have endeavored to have Dana Corporation, Victor Division, continue this membership, but so far have not had a response.

W. J. C. Toman
Potepan

For the present, therefore, we are obliged to cancel the above membership represented by Mr. J. C. Toman from our records of Committee F-3.

You may be interested to know that Mr. Stephen M. Lillis, Divisional Chief Engineer, Victor Gasket Division, Dana Corp., 5750 W. Roosevelt Road, Chicago, Ill. 60650 is arranging for a personal membership in the Society.

Very truly yours,

[Handwritten signature]

Mary E. Dickson, Supervisor,
Member & Committee Records

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cc to Mrs. G. T. Graham

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23 February 1968

Mr. S. M. Lillis
Divisional Chief Engineer
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P. O. Box 1333
Chicago, Ill. 60690

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Dear Mr. Lillis:

Thank you for calling me on 21 February to ascertain why we had not sent you the application for Personal Membership you requested on 22 January to replace the Industrial Membership Victor Gasket has maintained in the Society since 1951. We regret this oversight, and are enclosing a membership folder containing the information and the form you will need to re-apply on this basis.

We were glad to have the opportunity to review the Victor Division situation with you as we're naturally very much concerned that you had decided to reduce your support for the activities of the Society despite the arguments for continuation we presented in our letter of 18 December. You obviously were not aware of ASTM's membership policy until I mentioned it during our discussion, and you will find this spelled out on page 9 of the folder and the application form for individual membership. I thought I had covered this in the letter, but now recall I was confident a review of the value of ASTM to your operations would suffice.

We understand your problem, and will be willing to go along with a Personal Membership for your division now with the condition that a Sustaining or Industrial Membership be established by the Victor Divisions or the Dana Corporation as soon as possible. The Dana Corporation's company membership in ASTM has also been discontinued, and at your recommendation we are addressing a copy of this letter to Mr. Warren W. Rasmussen, Director, Product Research and Engineering, Dana Corporation, Toledo, Ohio in the hope he will want to establish a company membership now to satisfy the requirements of the membership policy and permit participation on the ASTM Technical Committees by each of the Dana Divisions. The Society loses money on each of its individual memberships, and obviously needs the additional fiscal support of a company membership to continue its service to industry.

We appreciate your interest in and need for the Society, and hope we may have the pleasure of hearing from both you and Mr. Rasmussen soon.

Sincerely yours,

John H. Bystrom
John H. Bystrom, Manager
Membership Development

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Enc.

cc: W. W. Rasmussen

"...for the Promotion of Knowledge of the Materials of Engineering, and the Standardization of Specifications and the Methods of Testing"
from ASTM Charter, March 1918

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"Because ASTM's work depends upon the participation of its members, and free and open discussion among them, there is a strong public policy in favor of protecting the right of those members to come to the Society and express their viewpoints without fear of antitrust prosecution." *

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"Because of the balance of interest represented on ASTM committees, and because of the detailed and scrupulously observed procedure which governs their operation, it is most unlikely that the views of one member or one group of members could predominate over the consensus of opinion of the committee as a whole." *

* U. S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania,
20 July 1964.

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