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Mr. F. E. Messier
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Subject: Asbestos Study Committee
(Friction Materials)

Dear Fran:

This concerns the possible addition of a new committee within F.M.S.I. - an "Asbestos Study Committee" as discussed in Bulletin #406. A copy of Bulletin #406 is enclosed.

While the bulletin covers the essential points, I did want to make a personal contact to see if Bendix could contribute to such a committee.

Our concern is expressed for asbestos in brake linings because of several outside stimuli:

1. A proposed Illinois regulation: "The use of asbestos in brake lining of vehicles manufactured after January 1, 1975 and sold for use in Illinois is prohibited".
2. Possible effects of the new Occupational Health and Safety Act of 1970 as regards asbestos in the work place.
3. Some concern for particulates in the air - particularly asbestos in the air.

Fran, I don't really know what approach you would take. I do know that Bendix Research in Detroit has done some studying on particulates (rubber, asbestos, etc.) in the air. Also, perhaps at Troy or Cleveland someone has been made responsible for monitoring asbestos in the factory area.

If you have someone in either the factory area dealing with asbestos, or in the medical or hygiene area who could contribute, I'd appreciate word.

Let me have your comments on this.

Sincerely

Secretary

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Mr. E. W. Drislane, Secretary
Friction Materials Standards Institute, Inc.
370 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Drislane:

Re: Asbestos Study Committee

We do not have an industrial hygienist at our World Bestos Division so do not have anyone to offer that has specific talents that might be used on this committee. If, however, there is difficulty in getting sufficient talent to serve on the committee, we would be happy to offer the services of our Technical Manager, J. C. Henning. Mr. Henning has a Masters Degree in Chemistry and has served in the Research and Development Department of The Firestone Tire & Rubber Company for a period of ten years before joining the World Bestos Division as Technical Manager.

Yours very truly,

C. J. Weber

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General Manager

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ASBESTOS STUDY COMMITTEE

This notice is being sent to all Active Members concerning the President's intention to form a new committee within F.M.S.I. We are considering the establishment of an "Asbestos Study Committee", to consist of a chairman and probably four members.

BACKGROUND

While the talk delivered by Mr. W. B. Reitze of Johns-Manville at the June meeting dwelt mostly on in-plant environment, there was some discussion relating to asbestos factory environments and brake lining particulates in the air. Well before this talk, there had been concern expressed on an Illinois Law which would eliminate the use of asbestos in brake linings.

ASBESTOS INFORMATION ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA

This association was recently formed by the asbestos companies of North America. It would be our intention to work with them through our new committee, and essentially speak for the brake lining and clutch facing manufacturers. Obviously, our committee would review and comment on rules and regulations proposed by the State and the Federal Government. There would be no costs to the Institute in any of our work with this association.

STAFFING THE COMMITTEE

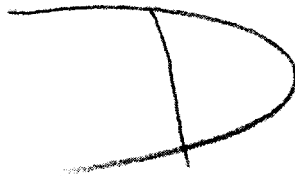
We would like to staff this committee with experienced and skilled personnel, preferably from the manufacturing, or Industrial Hygiene areas. Please give this bulletin your careful review. If you feel there is someone in your Company with the background necessary to serve as a member of this Committee, please advise with a brief description of this person's background.

E. W. Drislane
Secretary

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