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Mining and health authorities' records reveal a pattern of intransigence by the mine mgmt. to take adequate measures to control dust.

- "dust money" premium pd. for working in excessively dusty mine + mill
- asbestosis among miners and mine mgs. D. Allen (by 1960?) - "quite horrifying" Dennie quotes Hunt 7-31-61
- unwillingness of mgmt. to use water to lay dust in mine because they wanted dry ore to process
- dust counts almost always described as too high
- denunciation by doctors in the strongest terms Hunt letters to Dennie 7-31-61 and 9-20-61 (Premier)
- pressure from the company on gov't to set a "safe" limit of dustiness despite recognized inadequacies of dust sampling devices for asbestos fiber sampling
  300 ppcc "satisfactory" 10-20-63