

AIR ENGINE & MANUFACTURING COMMITTEE MEETING
June 7, 1962

PLAINTIFF'S
EXHIBIT

G-309

Attending:

J. L. Mitchell, Chairman	H. K. Porter Company, Inc.
W. C. Atkinson	Johns-Manville Corp.
H. E. Palm	Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.
C. L. Sheckler	Johns-Manville Corp.
R. B. Smith	Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.
Hans Walter	American Asbestos Textile Corporation

ASBESTOS DUST AND ITS MEASUREMENT IN ENGLAND

A paper by the Asbestosis Research Council in England outlining the main points of work done since 1957 by the three member companies was presented.

The different methods of measurement were compared and the relative merits of each outlined.

The attention this group now seems directed to a membrane filter type for sampling which they feel offers advantages above all the others in ease, simplicity, time cycle, and accuracy, after perfection of modifications they have developed.

Copies of this paper have been distributed to members so that they may determine whether they, as individual companies, may want to pursue this method in their own research.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON STANDARDIZATION OF DUST COUNTING TECHNIQUES

Representatives of four member companies met with the committee prior to their own group meeting, reporting their progress and their plans for completing this work at as early date as possible.

DUST CONTROL IN SPINNING AND TWISTING DEPARTMENTS

This was discussed at great length by company representatives since no member company has developed control methods which they find more than passably adequate.

Present methods and contemplated procedures were discussed.

ENVIRONMENTAL APPEARANCE

The effectiveness of environmental appearance on employees and the value in various phases of operations and expenses were also discussed at length.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Trends in compensation and court decisions were discussed, bringing out

the very high percentage of profits required to meet this one phase of our operations. One company emphasizes this by measuring this cost in terms of percentage of total sales required to meet this factor alone.

The trends in more liberal settlements and settlements of claims only remotely connected were related. Also the rising importance of maintaining safe sound levels not to impair hearings.

UNITED STATES PUBLIC HEALTH SURVEY

Members report from personal contact with personnel of this department that the program is going forward and animal experimentation will be started at an early date. Studies are being continued to arrive at the basis on which the survey will be made and it is anticipated the actual work of the survey might begin in the early fall.

J. L. Mitchell,
Chairman