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C&P PLANT MANAGERS

ASBESTOS COMMUNICATION PACKAGE

The attached communication package contains elements which are designed for your use in responding to inquiries about the Company's Asbestos Detection Program for employees and pensioners. This has been prepared for use by all departments to ensure consistency in our communications. Please destroy previous documents sent on October 20, 1980 and May 27, 1981.

This package is being sent out this time since Dr. B. W. Culpepper is addressing a joint meeting of the American Academy of Industrial Hygiene and the American Academy of Occupational Medicine on October 14 in Nashville. We anticipate this will generate media inquiries and subsequent employee interest. A copy of the presentation is being sent to the Tennessee plants and is available to other sites if interested. The presentation will only describe our asbestos screening program and will not reveal the numbers of cases found to date. It will discuss, in general terms, the difficulties with detecting abnormalities and our training program for physicians.

The attached material includes:

1. A copy of the Corporate standby media statement.
2. A suggested standby media statement for site use.
3. A Corporate media background on Du Pont's asbestos detection program.

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4. A suggested employee communication on the asbestos screening program.
5. Questions and answers on the program.
6. Illustrations of asbestos-related abnormalities for your use.

Because of the potential for increased media interest, it is important that plant management limit the distribution of the complete package, especially the questions and answers. The Corporate standby statement and background are sent for the information of senior site management only. You may decide how widely to distribute the other material and whether an employee communication is needed at this time. Contact your Public Affairs representative for assistance in modifying the site standby statement to suit your needs.

Dr. B. W. Karrh of the Medical Division will respond to media inquiries of a corporate nature. Any such inquiries should be forwarded to P. H. Wyche, Jr. in Public Affairs at 774-1942.

If you plan to communicate to your employees, do not begin before 8:00 a.m., October 12, 1981. If you have any questions on the program or package, discuss them with me on 774-2756.

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