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From	W. M. Sorey	**Address**	ETC
Subject	OSHA Asbestos Inspection Houston Plant	**Date**	7-20-84

On June 7, 1984, I accompanied OSHA compliance officer, Charles E. Williams, on an inspection at the Houston plant. The inspection was the result of employee complaints to OSHA about the methods of handling "transite" asbestos containing ceiling tile in the cafeteria. Mr. Williams conducted air monitoring in the cafeteria in several locations. I collected samples parallel to Mr. Williams' samples. There was no asbestos work being performed during the monitoring. Work was being done on suspended ceiling acoustic panels which are made of vegetable fiber and glass fiber with binders. Mr. Williams also took some wipe samples using mixed cellulose ester membrane filters, the same type used for air monitoring. I took duplicate wipe samples using the same type of filters and the same wetting solution (70% isopropanol).

The samples I took contained no asbestos. Mr. Williams informed Mr. Maeser by phone on July 17, 1984 that his samples also did not contain any asbestos. Mr. Williams told Mr. Maeser that the complaint is closed as far as OSHA is concerned.

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