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PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT
SMF-103

Subject: Technical Committee Assignment

Dear Harry:

The Board of Directors of SMFMA, at its meeting on March 22nd, has agreed to conduct further tests as an Association, which tests will be done by Bert Levine, at a water to fiber ratio of one-to-one using a 16-jet atomizing gun and a spray rate of 15 pounds a minute to determine the dust level with Asbestospray at distances of 10', 20', 40' and 60' from the hopper and from the spray gun.

It is necessary for us to find a suitable location to conduct these tests and, preferably, a location that will be available for future tests, having the required facilities to do the spraying as well as the space measured from the equipment, whereby these tests might be repeated.

Please note that the actual spray set-up and spray test conduct will be run by Bert Levine, however, the future tests will have to be conducted by your Technical Committee as they will then involve the other industry products and it is agreed to delay those future tests until both your Company and Smith & Kanzler has what it believes to be a workable dust control process for your respective fibers.

The charge and assignment to your Committee has to do with establishing what might be called recommended industry practices or a recommended industry standard, describing the application of spray mineral fiber products for the prevention of health hazard or dust nuisances.

In this industry practice or standard, it should be specified that the spray crew should wear dust masks and that anyone working within (X) feet of the spray nozzle or the machine hopper should wear dust masks. A recommendation should also exist in that standard relating to windbreaks on a job, to clean up each night, particularly with respect to wetting down the fiber after its been swept or during or before sweeping, perhaps a caution concerning the sprayer shutting off the water before the fiber stops coming out of the hose, perhaps also recommending the type of gun and minimum water to fiber ratios and such other elements as would have a bearing on either a potential health hazard or a dust nuisance resulting from the spraying of fiber.

It is not necessary to impress you or members of your Committee of the seriousness of this matter. It would be ideal if, upon receipt of

any complaint or any inquiry, we were in a position to respond to the respective health authorities with a formal industry standard which, hopefully, would solve for our member companies the problems that appear to be increasing.

Backed by your expert executive leadership qualities, we presume this standard will be completed for approval at a General Meeting within the next month.

Best regards,

J. P. Verbelen,
President

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