ASBESTOSIS

At the request of J. L. Parsons, Louviers Building, a meeting was held in my office on 2/22/67 with the following people in attendance in addition to Mr. Parsons -- C. A. Parks, Jr., Louviers; L. V. Thatcher, C.W.C.; A. L. Linch, Medical; C. F. Reinhardt, M.D., and G. J. Stopps, M.D., Haskell Laboratory; and W. E. Neeld, Jr., M.D.

The thesis presented was (1) is there a problem with asbestosis and (2) if so, what method should be undertaken to alleviate said problem.

Dr. Neeld made reference to his letters to Dr. D'Alonzo of August and December, 1966, which pointed out Chambers Works has no problem.

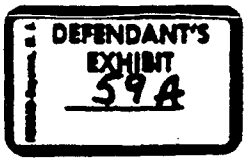
Mr. Linch pointed out that we had done total dust counts at 37 locations on Chambers Works and the findings as reported by the Counting Laboratory in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, revealed our counts are so low as to be only 2% of the Threshold Limit expectations. We have not yet done personnel sampling. This is still in the planning stages awaiting the opinion of Construction as to whether they have more money to put into research on this matter.

Messrs. Parks and Parsons had some questions as to how they might go about setting up a program of their own relative to Construction workers. Since many of their plant-sites are so unionized that they are not permitted to have pre-employment or physical examinations, their only recourse will be some type of air analysis for asbestosis dust.

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