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Dear Bill:

It is not easy to suggest an X-ray schedule for employees at the Sayreville Plant. Obviously the schedule must have reference to the respiratory hazard attending each particular job. Then, too, the health of certain key men must be safeguarded. In this regard, the X-ray examination of administrative personnel is often more important than the examination of general plant workers. Of course, compromise is often necessary to reduce, as much as possible, unwarranted expense.

In studying your problem, we suggest the following schedule:

SUGGESTED CHEST X-RAY SCHEDULE				
	<u>Number of</u> <u>Employees</u>	<u>Pre-</u> <u>Employment</u>	<u>Routine</u>	<u>Terminating</u> <u>Employment</u>
Batch	37	x	Annually	Terminating
Finishing	84	x	If good housekeeping, every 2 yrs. "	"
			If poor " annually. "	"
Warehouse & Shipping	26	x	Car loaders, annually.	"
Processing	84	x	Asbestos carding room-annually. "	"
			Mixing operators " "	"
			Others - every 2 yrs. "	"
Mechanical maintenance	31	x	Every 2 yrs. provided adequate "	"
Maintenance service	26	x	protection is afforded during "	"
			jobs which involve dust.	
General administrative	2	x	Every 2 yrs. <i>etc. P.M.</i>	?
Accounting	17	x	" 3 "	?
Personnel	16	x	" 3 "	?
Purchasing	8	x	" 3 "	?

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Plant engineering	4	x	Every 2 yrs.	Terminating
Plant lab.	2	x	" 2 "	"
General systems	17	x	" 2 to 3 yrs.	"
Machine shop	11	x	" 2 yrs.	Terminating

We do not favor the use of miniature films for the detection and identification of pulmonary changes, especially early, which might be manifested by a 14 X 17 film. As you are aware, the larger size is often none too good. This seems to happen especially in those cases presenting a problem or up for medico-legal action.

Plans for the X-ray trailer are progressing slowly. The major difficulty in getting on with it involves a question of money -- which amounts to \$35,000. Having that sum would enable us to start immediately. We could gamble a bit if there were any degree of certainty that industries would require the services of such a unit.

The final report of the animal experiments with Kayle dust has been completed and is being forwarded to you today.

Work on the vacuum cleaner samples sent to us a few weeks ago is progressing satisfactorily. We hope to have our report on these samples sometime next week.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,



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