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Asbestos Handling Procedures

TO MASTERS OF EXXON USA
OPERATED OCEANGOING VESSELS

This letter sets forth the procedures to be followed when handling asbestos on board our vessels. Our knowledge of airborne asbestos fiber being a primary causal agent in asbestosis and a contributor in lung cancer has led to the establishment of these procedures. It is recommended that all officers read this letter now and before a job of this nature is undertaken; the workers involved shall also review the procedures. The Chief Engineer will be responsible for storing the Tyvek coveralls set forth in this letter (available for order through Marine stores) to avoid confusion with any coveralls in the mate's locker.

If any further information is needed in this area please contact the Safety Department.

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