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For your general information as members of the Asbestos Phaseout Program Team
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DATE: March 16, 1987

SUBJECT: Specialty Chemicals Division - Purchased Goods Quality Program - Gasket Team

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The minutes of our meeting of March 5, 1987 are noted below.

A. Steve Powe presented copies of stores gasket catalogs for Institute, South Charleston and Texas City. Service level information for stores items was not readily available.

B. Sherry Murphree indicated that the West Virginia locations spend about $312M/yr. on gaskets, gasket materials and packing. Packing accounts for only 5 or 10% of the total. Anticipated expenditures for the next two years are $800M/yr. The increase is due in part to the anticipated phase out of low cost gasket materials (i.e. asbestos). Report attached.

C. Al Montero (who was representing CED for Don Kurle) reviewed UCC and industry specifications. It was noted that some UCC specifications referred to manufacturers who no longer manufacture/sell asbestos gaskets/materials.

Al reported that the recommendations (of the EM&TS CED team) covering a C&P program for the phase-out of asbestos in the work place had been approved by C&P Management. Sherry Murphree will participate on the C&P team that will develop implementation plans. (A copy of related correspondence is attached).

D. John Ruddle/Jeff Means presented their findings relating to Accident/Incident reports and Safety Signal reports. Because South Charleston does not file A/I reports in a central location, Jeff was unable to submit a suitable sample.

E. The team spent a good deal of time discussing a flow chart that represents gasket utilization from specification thru installation/start up. The copy attached represents the team consensus.

This chart will serve as a tool for identifying areas where improvements are required.

F. The following "Mini-Teams" were established to list the perceived "Problems" throughout the specification - installation cycle. The teams will meet in person or via telephone conference call as appropriate.

Specifications/ Installation/ Engineering	D. L. Kurle* J. A. Means C. S. Tyson
Information Exchange (Electronic)	P. H. Day S. F. Powe* J. D. Ruddle
Materials Management (Including Procurement, Vendors, Stores, Descriptions, Packaging, etc.)	S. Murphree* R. L. Newman S. F. Powe M. K. Wisman

*For purposes of ~~kicking off the mini teams~~ these members are identified as team leaders.

A "mini team" consisting of P. H. Day and J. D. Ruddle was established to review Institute Accident/Incident reports and develop Pareto Charts if possible.

G. A preliminary attempt at identifying problems resulted in the following lists:

Specifications:

1) UCC specifications not compatible with marketplace (materials no longer available)

2) New technologies not addressed

3) No procedure for variance review

4) Manpower shortage in engineering

5) Specifications are not linked to material codes (stores codes/MMC).

6) Training to use specifications and to identify the availability of specifications

Materials Management

Stores:
1) Lack of familiarity with resources (CRT, Fische, Catalogs)

2) Storage of material (damaged material)

3) Incomplete stores catalog

4) Stores order controls

5) Inconsistent descriptions and no maintenance

6) Lack of training - shortage of people

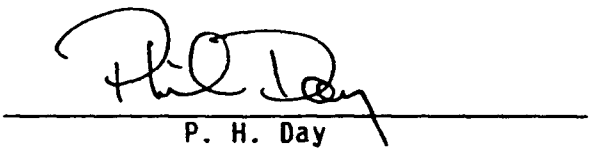
The next meeting will be April 6, 1987, Building 2000 (Tech Center), Room 2428 from 12:30 to 4:00 p.m. The agenda is as follows:

- Review of flow chart (revisions if required)

- Report on the review of Institute A/I reports - P. H. Day/ J.D. Ruddle

- "Mini Team" reports
  - Engineering Specifications
  - Information Exchange
  - Materials Management

- First pass at prioritization
  (i.e. high/medium/low benefits vs. high/medium/low efforts)



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