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REVISED ASBESTOS STANDARD COMPLIANCE AT CELL SERVICE

All provisions of the revised asbestos standard will be in effect on January 16, 1987. This is a brief status report describing where we stand regarding compliance with the requirements of the standard.

Initial Monitoring

WHERE WERE THEY OBTAINED? WHAT CAN WE DO TO REDUCE THESE?

We have conducted the initial monitoring required by the standard. In excess of 150 samples were collected with only two personnel samples being at or above the action limit. No area or personnel samples were above the permissible exposure limit. This is very important because most of the requirements of the standard, such as protective equipment, regulated areas and decontamination facilities, are triggered by exposures above the PEL.

Respiratory Protection

All changes required by the standard have been made. We have switched from the single use disposable dust masks to half-face respirators with high efficiency filters. Respirator training and fit testing have been completed and will continue on an annual basis. If working in regulated areas, fit testing is required every six months.

Decontamination Facilities

Because our initial monitoring data did not show any areas or jobs above the PEL, we are not required under the standard to have the elaborate equipment room/shower/clean room decontamination facilities. The same appears to be true regarding positive pressure filtered air for lunchrooms and office areas. However, an estimate is being prepared for new decontamination and lunch facilities in the event they are deemed necessary in the future.

Employees already have two separate lockers for street clothes and work clothes in the existing change rooms. We are continuing to have the workers wear the white protective suits to prevent contamination of their clothing. In addition, portable vacuum stations and boot washers are being designed for use in removing fiber contamination from clothing before leaving the work area. Protective white paper suits will also be discarded before leaving the work area.

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7 ~~Com~~ ASBESTOS SAMPLING 1987 (SLIDE OUT OF ANNUAL REPORT

8 Respirator Program REVISED. C

1. ELEMINATED DISPOSABLE DUSTMASK.
2. DUAL CARTRIDGE ~~HIGH~~ HIGH EFFICIENCY.
3. F.T TESTING EVERY 6 MONTHS. (MAINT PROCEDURES)

8 CLOTHING POLICY CHANGE

1. CCII SERVICE WILL FURNISH WHITE PARK DISPOSABLE SUIT.
2. ELIMINATION OF DOW FURNISHED CLOTHING.
3. CLOTHING VAC STATION INSTALLED (TELL ABOUT PROCEDURE OF DISPOSAL.)
4. BOOT WASHER INSTALLED SAME AREA AS VACUUM STATION.
5. RUBBER BOOT COVERS FOR VISITOR. (ALL MONITORING SURVEY SHOW WE ARE BELOW ACTION LIMIT. THAT THIS IS NOT ACTUALLY REQUIRED BUT A PRECAUTION

9 SHA INSPECTION OF CONTRACTOR
SEPT & OCT 1986
SPECIFIC EMPLOYEE COMPLAINTS
SEVERAL CITATIONS ISSUED TO NEBERT BROS.
CITATION DROPPED OR ABATED MEANS CONDITION CORRECTED

10 AREA NOISE CONDUCTED. (MAKE COPIES OF 1986 NOISE LEVELS. (2 PAGES)

11 REVIEWED PROCEDURE FOR MIXING DORAKANE.
EXPOSURE JUDGED ACCEPTABLE.

12 SAMPLING PLANS FOR 1987 (SHOW GOALS FOR 1987

13 GOALS AND PLANS 1987 (SHOW

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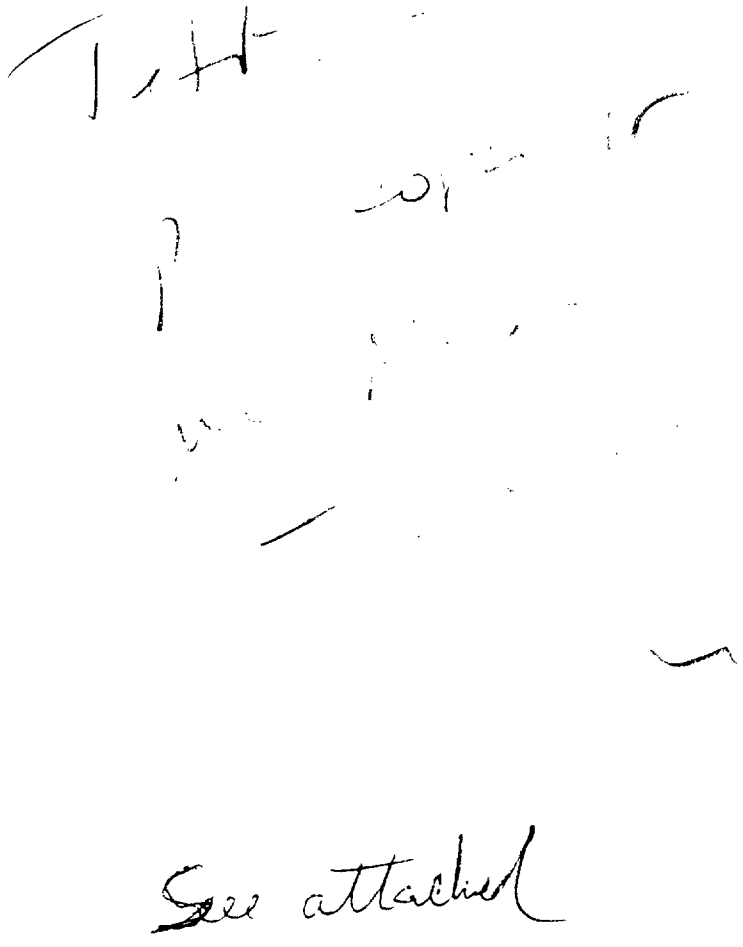
Doc #175613, says that in 1987 Dow was going to switch from using the single use disposable dust masks to the half face respirators in the cell area.



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Doc #175755, another doc from 1987, stating Dow is going to stop using dust masks and go to using respirators.