

plant. The survey should be adequate enough to provide cost estimates on the installation of a proper and effective dust control system.

3. Johns-Manville conducts engineering surveys on a fee basis, along with a number of other reliable engineering firms. Additionally, J-M is equipped to handle the purchasing and installation of dust control facilities on a turn-key basis if desired. There are many reliable firms providing similar services and J-M recommends a review of all before making a decision.
4. The most appropriate times for an industrial hygiene survey are:
 - a. If you already have dust control facilities, an industrial hygiene survey will determine how well your facilities meet OSHA standards.
 - b. After installation of dust control facilities, an industrial hygiene survey should be part of the installation agreement to establish the reliability of equipment and compliance with standards.

The Environmental Control Systems Department of Johns-Manville, located in Denver, Colorado is ready to work with J-M customers to ensure the safest possible work environment for all people handling asbestos fiber.

FACING TOMORROW'S CHALLENGES

Much has been learned about asbestos-health problems in a short period of time, due mainly to the initiative of the asbestos industry in facing a complex problem.

Many new facts were learned about asbestos and health at a major meeting on the subject held in October 1972 in Lyon, France. It was there that a majority of scientists from all over the world who were actively studying the biological effects of asbestos met, under sponsorship of the International Agency for Research on Cancer, a division of the World Health Organization. There were 130 participants from 20 countries at the meeting.

In a report issued following that meeting, the group's Advisory Committee on Asbestos Cancers reported:

- ... There is no evidence of lung damage by asbestos to the general public.
- ... There is no evidence of an increased risk of cancer resulting from asbestos fibers present in water, beverages, food, or in the fluids used for the administration of drugs.
- ... There is no detectable lung cancer risk above normal when occupational exposures have been low ... and these occupational exposures have almost certainly been much greater than the amount of asbestos to which the general public has been exposed.
- ... There is evidence from population studies that a considerable number of mesothelioma cases have no known association whatsoever with exposure to asbestos.

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