



intracompany memo

to Messrs. E. B. Hollingsworth
T. W. Richards location Wilmington, Del. - Gypsum
Tigard Lab

from G. E. Wilson location Portland

subject OSHA Regulations - Joint Cement date May 20, 1974

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I would ask that we once again review our situation at each of the joint system plants to make certain that we are complying with the requirements under the OSHA act concerning the handling of asbestos fibers. I would also like assurance from each of the plants that they understand these requirements and that we have the necessary program and procedures instituted so that we will not have another occurrence of citations from an OSHA inspection at a joint system operation.

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cc: Messrs. J. E. Burd
M. F. Fink - Tigard Lab
H. W. Peele - Wilmington
J. D. Rauch - Akron, N. Y.
M. A. Palmowski - Chicago
H. W. Scharf - Milford
R. V. Favero - Marietta
K. W. Brown - Acme

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JOHN MOSS WILMINGTON DELAWARE

FRM ED AASEN 5-22-74

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LEGAL. THESE ARE INTENDED FOR USE ON 1 AND 5 GALLON PAILS AND WE
DONT INTEND TO MAKE CHANGE ON BAG WARNING EXCEPT POSSIBLY TO RE-
MOVE IT COMPLETELY WILL KEEP U ADVISED.

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GP RW MILK

MAY 23, 1974 10:30

TO: JACK RABOFF

FR: J.E. ROSS

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MR. ROSS FROM ED AASEN ON 5-22-74

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May 24, 1974

Chief Environmental Management Branch
Niosh Division of Training
1014 Broadway
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

Gentlemen:

We are interested in training two of our employees in industrial hygiene surveys for the purpose of evaluating workers exposure to asbestos dust in our joint system department.

We understand that you offer a course in sampling and evaluating asbestos dust which we think will meet our requirements. Would you please send us information regarding this training course, also time and place courses are held.

Yours very truly,

Ed Sing
Safety Supervisor

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