

ASBESTOS SITUATION  
CHRONOLOGY OF MEDICAL DIVISION ACTIVITIES

July 6, 1977 - March 28, 1979

Repauno Plant OSHA inspection.  
Medical Division involved throughout.

April 18, 1979

Repauno Plant OSHA inspection.

February 3, 1979

Discussion in EOC by Repauno Asbestos  
Situation. Medical Division recommended  
that this (radiologist interpretation of  
x-rays) be done by outside radiologists at  
all plant locations throughout the Company.

February 13, 1979

- First draft - Guidelines on Interpretation of  
X-rays. EOC involved.

February 27, 1979

- Second draft - Guidelines on Interpretation  
of X-rays. EOC involved.

March 29, 1979

- Dissemination to all Company physicians,  
plant managers, and PsIRD managers the  
Guidelines on Interpretation of X-rays  
which require x-ray interpretation by a  
radiologist or qualified specialist.

July 5, 1979

- Establishment by Medical of a multi-discipline  
Task Group to develop guidelines on handling  
cases of chronic illness, especially asbestos-  
related, among employees and pensioners.  
Director of Health and Safety on the task  
group. Legal Department represented.

September 6, 1979

- Discussion of the guidelines on chronic  
diseases in EOC Policy Group (according to  
9/13/79 EOC minutes).

September 17, 1979

- Dissemination of Guidelines on Chronic Health  
Hazards and those related to asbestos to all  
Company physicians, plant managers, and  
PsIRD managers.

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January 4, 1980

Guidelines on x-ray interpretation mentioned in the OGC Annual Report.

April 15, 1980

Training courses for plant nurses making x-ray exposures.

April 29, 1980

Photo Products x-ray Technical Representative asked to visit all plants to help improve x-ray quality.

May 13, 1980

Request to Textile Fibers' plant physicians for x-rays of asbestos workers for review.

August 18, 1980

Letter to Textile Fibers' plant physicians scheduling meeting to discuss x-rays on September 9.

August 22, 1980

- Meeting with Departmental Occupational & Environmental Health Managers to describe the planned course of action and get concurrence. Director of Health & Safety attended.

August 25, 1980

- Follow-up letter to Occupational & Environmental Health Managers, elaborating on the August 22 discussions.

September 9, 1980

- Meetings with plant physicians to discuss the problem and the planned course of action.

September 16, 1980

September 23, 1980

September 30, 1980

September 25, 1980

- Gibson Asbestosis Committee appointed and deliberation started. Medical Division represented.

September 26, 1980

- Meeting between H. G. Smyth, J. F. Schmutz, W. E. Tatum, J. V. Piet, R. A. Harrington, J. R. Gibson, B. P. Quaintance, John T. Smith, N. K. Walters, B. W. Karrh, and B. W. Culpepper to discuss the reasons for the Committee.

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