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PULMONARY FUNCTION TESTING

This is a follow-up in relation to this subject in our letter of 9/30/66.

A meeting arranged by the Du Pont Company's Medical Director, Dr. G. A. D'Alonso, was held at Haskell Laboratory 10/13/66. In attendance were Drs. G. A. D'Alonso, J. E. Zahn, W. H. Hoeld, Jr., G. P. Reinhardt, G. J. Steyts, J. A. Zapp, Jr., S. Fell, J. W. Clayton, Jr., and Messrs. A. L. Linch and E. H. Kane of the Engineering-Design, Louviers.

The health hazards associated with asbestosis, the means of monitoring the air levels of asbestos and preventive measures against pulmonary problems caused by asbestos were covered.

Applicable to asbestos but concerned additionally with pulmonary problems caused by all industrial air contaminants, a pulmonary function testing program was discussed in depth.

Because of the population, age range, the diverse chemicals involved, and the experience of Chambers Works Medical Division (Chambers Works is the only site in the Company which maintains an Industrial Hygiene Laboratory), it was the recommendation of the participants that the initial or pilot phase of pulmonary function testing be done by Chambers Works Medical Division. They felt that as the program was developed, the useful portions could be extracted, standardized, and made available to every plant-site for Company-wide use.

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