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TO ALL IDCNA DIRECTORS:

From - Ted Brodie - Chairman HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: NATIONAL HEALTH/SAFETY PROGRAM:

1. Background: On May 14, 1968, a meeting was held at the New York Academy of Arts & Science under the sponsorship of DR. IRVING J. SELIKOFF. In attendance, were representatives of all segments of the insulation industry. The subject covered the by now, acknowledged problems associated with asbestos, its uses and applications.

2. Proposed Program: Dr. Selikoff outlined a proposed program to answer the environmental safety problems besetting the industry. Briefly it consisted of:

1. A Technical Committee to perform basic studies of environmental conditions.
2. A Scientific Committee to review the results of the above studies and make recommendations to ...
3. An Insulation Industry Hygienic Council composed of representatives of NIMA, IDCNA, Sprayed Asbestos Fiber Association, the Union, as well as a medical consultant.

These committees would review the entire problem of environmental health as it pertains to the Asbestos Worker insulation industry - dust control, vapor control, motivational engineering educational material, etc. Final recommendation as to Standards and solutions would be by unanimous consent of the Council.

3. Financing:

Figures were presented that indicated that approximately \$1,000,000.00 would be required during the first five years of the program. This of course, depends on the scope of the program. The next problem revolved around how this money is to be raised. At a subsequent meeting, held on June 11, 1968, the suggestion was advanced by Mr. Hutchinson that the Union/Contractors portion should be raised by re-opening existing agreements to add a 1¢ per hour contribution to the health - welfare funds; said amount to be transmitted to the Council for disbursement.

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4. Action needed by Board of Directors:

- A. A discussion of the program itself
- B. Recommendations concerning the program, if the concept is approved.
- C. Method of financing
- D. Appointment of two additional contractors to sit as advisors with the Chairman of Health/Safety Committee at meetings of the 'ad hoc' committee set up to implement the program.

Respectfully submitted,

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