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TO: Mr. H. F. Metcalfe

RE: Respirators for Asbestos Work

Respirator policy for irregular work on asbestos should be guided by 1910.93(d)(2). Air purifying respirators (i) can be MSA 66 or 77. Powered air purifying respirators (ii) are generally not available in our plants. Self contained breathing apparatus, such as Scott Air Pak, will satisfy condition (iii).

Actually, unless tests are made over eight hour averages, it would be difficult to select classes (i) and (ii). Of course, drilling a gasket outdoors in a stiff breeze probably would be accommodated by class (i) without any trouble. But generally speaking, without special monitoring tests a self contained breathing apparatus is probably the most acceptable answer for short occasional jobs.

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cc: Mr. A. P. Osti / RIP asbestos

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