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Mr. Milton Freifeld
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Dear Mr. Freifeld:

Please find enclosed a completed questionnaire on PVC Dust.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to write or give me a telephone call.

Very truly,

A. R. Adams

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Enclosure

cc: Mayo Smith
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VINYL CHLORIDE TECHNICAL PANEL

Questionnaire on PVC Dust

1. Does your company have pre-employment examinations on workers exposed to PVC particles?

Yes, but not all employees. Only those within regulative area.

2. Does your company have medical records and/or periodic physical exams on workers exposed to PVC particles?

Yes.

3. Do these records include:

- a. X-ray examination:

Yes, but not specific for pneumoconiosis.

1. Frequency of examination:

CMOS or annual dependant upon time from first exposure to VCM.

- b. Spirometry measurements and frequency of determinations.

If yes, apparatus used:

Yes, same as x-ray.

- c. Any other applicable tests: OSHA Recommended Examination.

4. How long have you collected tests records?

1 1/2 years ago on the OSHA Program.

5. Could they be used in an industry sponsored epidemiological study through the MCA? (assuming data will be kept confidential)

Yes, summary could be made available.

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6. Do you have records on those who have left the company?

No - limited number.

7. Does your company have the work records of the potentially exposed workers? Yes.

a. Do these records include:

1. Duration of employment? Yes
2. Measurement of airborne dusts? No
3. Particle size measurements of airborne dusts? No
4. Types of resins? Yes
5. Additives used in resins? Yes

8. Were these workers exposed during production of PVC resin or during processing of PVC resin?

Both

9. Roughly how many workers may be included? A precise number is not needed.

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Name (signed)

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