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FROM (NAME & LOCATION): G. J. Guillot - Chocolate Bayou Plant

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CC: F. C. Himes
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SUBJECT: Six-Minute Air Bottles

REFERENCE:

TO: F. H. Dupre

PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT
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As best I can understand, our six-minute air bottles, with mouthpiece, are NIOSH approved for excape masks. Until such time as it is agreed that use of this safety equipment should be discontinued, AN will use these masks in the following situations:

1) The masks will be worn while shutting down and decontaminating equipment when there is a possibility of HCN or AN vapors being released.

2) These masks will be worn as a precautionary measure while climbing columns above 150 feet.

3) Also, the masks will be worn while doing work in a congested area where release of a vapor might be possible.

Where the probability of a person receiving dangerous vapors is high, the 15-minute air bottle will be worn and in use while performing the work.

The Lear-Seigler masks will continue to be used as escape masks from the control room and isolated areas in the unit. However, it is my intent to use the six-minute air bottle in cases where it would be impractical to use the Lear-Seigler mask. This is in areas where both hands need to be available for use and access is limited.

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