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CHIEF REPORT
H. K. PORTER
LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

P. G. Bonigman

Purpose: Check out possibility of manufacturing askarel transformers

When making calls with Jerry Davidson in California I was asked by Dick Kellogg, Chief Engineer of H. K. Porter in Belmont, California to call on the Lynchburg works and discuss askarel on a visit in the area. The contacts given were Chuck Adams, Chief Engineer Distribution Transformers, Stu Johnson, Product Manager and Reese Bouton, Chief Engineer-Power Transformers. Reese Bouton was the only one available. His previous experience had been with Wagner here in St. Louis. Bouton takes particular pride in asking questions concerning electrical relationships of the fluid. We had a very good discussion on the relationship of power factor and resistivity as related to a transformer and finally agreed that any correlation was poor at best. Bouton had experience in building askarel transformers but I am afraid this was an unpleasant experience since he was with Wagner Electric Co. here in St. Louis. Wagner no longer builds askarel. He mentioned the normal objections of vaporization, skin and eye irritations, and the tackiness of spilled material. When informed that we had different askarels and constantly have new developments in this area he seemed quite interested. I did not go into detail on the various mixes but left this for R. Graham on some of his routine calls.

Bouton would like for Randy to call on him his next visit through the area.

Action Needed

G. R. Graham - Randy, please call on Reese Bouton the next time through. I believe you may do some good there. Any way they are just down the road behind the Holiday Inn (via Bypass) in Lynchburg where you normally stay.

Thanks.

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