In May 1981 the program was expanded to include the company's pensioners. Pensioner involvement in the screening program is totally voluntary. They are contacted by mail and are invited to have X-rays taken at Du Pont's expense if:

(1). They feel they have been exposed to asbestos during their career at Du Pont, or

(2). They are unsure of what their exposure has been.

Under this program, chest X-rays of employees and those pensioners wishing to participate are being reviewed by physicians for evidence of asbestos-related pulmonary abnormalities.

The X-rays are reviewed both by plant physicians--almost all of whom have recently completed a Du Pont training course on early detection of lung abnormalities--and by board-certified or board-qualified radiologists. Under Du Pont's policy, employees and pensioners are advised of any significant abnormality. All work-related cases are referred to a pulmonary specialist at company expense for evaluation and consultation.

B. Eligibility criteria for selecting cases

A worker will be included in the case group if and only if he is identified by the company's asbestos screening program as having an asbestos-related pulmonary abnormality (ARPA).

The case may have asymptomatic or symptomatic ARPA, neoplastic or non-neoplastic ARPA. The case may be active or pensioned, male or female, wage or salary, living or deceased.

Any worker who has or will be identified through the screening program as having ARPA will be included in the study.

C. Selection criteria for matched controls

For each ARPA case one matched control will be chosen. If the case is an active employee, the control will be chosen from the company's active rolls during the case's year of diagnosis. If the case is a pensioned employee, the control will be chosen from the company's active rolls during the case's last year of employment. Each control will be matched to its case's birth date ($\pm$2 years), most

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