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Subject: MEMO of 6/23/76 GLOUCESTER TRIAL LIST FOR 6/29/76 - A REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

We have reviewed the cases on the Trial and Pre-trial list supplied to us through Associated Safety & Claims, under separate cover by your office and by copy of correspondence to Tarrant from Lawrie, Jennings and Buggeln.

The following is the result of our review:

NO CONTEST LIST

N/C OC 75 28187 Robert G. Brangan

Medical records indicate chronic bronchitis and emphysema and hospitalization for same in 1974. See Cooper Hospital report 2/10/74.

N/C OC 75 25052 R. Brown

C plant 1-1/2 years - Felt Mill rest of time. Weiner finds 77% VC. York finds 90% VC. Weiner says 25% disability - York says 5%. Considering York's appraisal of a greater overall disability due to artereosclerotic and hypertensive cardio-vascular disease and C plant of 1-1/2 years - no contest.

N/C OC 3727 Morsco Cenyour

This is a case in the gray area. 62 years of age, 30 years in plant, no smoking, but hypertensive and had pneumonia in 1970. York found a VC of 92% and indicates ZERO disability. No evidence of any condition upon hiring but worked in C plant for over 1 year 11/44 - 1/46. We have no other medical to clear him after that one year period.

N/C OC 75 25724 Clarence Garrison

1 year in C plant, 18 years in receiving, in maintenance 10 years as painter. Hired him in 1946 with marked accentuation of the normal lung markings throughout both lungs, most marked

at the right base.

What both Weiner and York saw in X-rays could be 1946 but Weiner says "chronic bronchitis with fibrosis (asbestosis) York found 92% VC, Weiner found 80%. York says 5% disability Weiner says his normal minimum of 20%. But 1 year in C plant.

N/C CPR 14814 C. Hirst

9 years in C plant. In 1961 there were "slight prominences of the hilar shadows". He was clear when we hired him.

N/C OC 75 33547 G. Rumph

Calselete and Rag Room - York finds 5%. Claimant is 69 years of age.

N/C OC 75 33569 G. Schafer

Opinion remains as reported in memo of May 28, 1976.

N/C CPP 1453 A Smith

C plant 9 years - U. S. Steel Corp joined as an additional respondent. Let U.S. Steel prove it did not hurt claimant. Let's see how they go about it. Maybe Buggeln will learn something.

CONTEST LIST

R 2415 E. Bailey

Although claimant worked 10 days in the C plant, Dr. York has found 2-1/2% of total for mild bronchitis, 100% of predicted vital capacity and that the claimant smokes 1 pack of cigarettes a day and has been a machine tender all this time without any evidence of disability and/or previous illness.

R 20841 J. Banks

No C plant exposure in his 8-1/2 years with the facility. Dr. Weiner's report reads like all of his and Dr. York finds his 2-1/2% this time with 92% of predicted vital capacity for a man smoking 1 pack of cigarettes a day. Again, work history is that of the machine room. No evidence of disability and/or previous illness.

R 2465 W. Brenenan

We do not have the claimant's doctors report but York finds 103% vital capacity and when claimant was hired back in 1946 Dr. Max Spevack found "accentuation of the peribronchial lung markings, most pronounced in the hilum regions and lower lobes. There appears to be no more today than there was in 1946.

OC 75 28316 Daniel DeLarge, Jr.

Dr. York found 92% vital capacity and no disability. He was exposed by his admission to dust in 1967 but when we examined him in 1970,he was found with clear lungs. He came back in 1970 in the Felt Mill; has never been treated in this time for an illness. Weiner finds his usual 20% with a vital capacity of 76%.

R 20594 James Dunbar

Weiner finds 90% vital capacity and 20% disability. Claimant worked 2 months in C plant. Physical in 1970 indicated clear lungs and in 1974 medical also indicated clear lungs. Claimant admits no dust, chemical, gas, or noise exposure in his 1974 medical report. To this add, York found a vital capacity of 92% and a ZERO disability.

R 7718 E. Fraction

Here is a man with diabetes mielitus, exorgenous obesity, hypertensive heart disease and a stroke of the right hemiporesis in 1972.

We do not have Weiner's report but York finds 90% vital capacity and 2-1/2% disability. Considering his condition I would get his own doctor's report before going further Will most likely find he did smoke and his lung condition to be in line with his physical condition.

R 7703 J. Finn

Worked in C plant 1 year but he had "fairly marked accentuation of the normal lung markings throughout both lungs, especially on the right side and in the peribronchial regions, giving rise to an increase in the hilus shadow back in 1947 and in 1946 he was determined to have a "slight fibrosis in the right base." This was found by Dr. Spevack.

R 21768 Gino Gianni

Five years with company. York found 103% vital capacity and his usual 2-1/2% disability from all causes. Only 5 months in C plant, rest of time as back tender.

R 6183 F. Hancock

Man worked in Power House. Smoked 2 packs of cigarettes per day. Worked as a stationary engineer. York found 95% vital capacity and the increased broncho-vascular markings in both cases were also found back in 1954 when he was hired by Spevack, "the broncho-vascular markings are much heavier than normal throughout both lungs but more marked at both bases indicating bronchitis." Man is 45 years of age and had this condition 20 years ago when he came with us.

R 14745 T. Harris

A welder and blacksmith for 37 years. Had marking back in 1946 when he came back from Army. Spevack found "normal lung markings are accentuated particularly in the peri-bronchial regions. York finds 97% vital capacity and 2-1/2% disability from all causes. What he found in lungs was there 30 years ago and at 2-1/2% it must not have progressed.

P 31696 J. Lawhorn

No data other than Felt Mill exposure for 8 years. Age 52.

R 6454 B. Lewis

York finds 103% of vital capacity and ZERO disability. Here is a 42 year old man, 8 years with company and in exceptionally good health.

N 25956 S. Ross

Opinion on this file has not changed since memo of 5/28/76.

R 4141 J. Scarlett

56 years old male, 30 years with company. Smoked until 1971. Stopped because of acute M I. Spevack in 1946 found "a marked accentuation of lung markings throughout both lungs but especially marked at the bases". What York found in lungs was there in 1946 when we hired him. At 5% it cannot have gotten any worse in 30 years.

R 30924 R. Thomas

24 years of age, smokes 1 pack a day - a fork truck driver. York found 100% vital capacity and ZERO disability.

P 40832 J. Watson

Truck crane operator. In the open air for past 35 years - not within a plant where there is a need for ventilation - smokes a pipe. York found vital capacity at 103%.

P 40744 Henry Williams

58 years of age - with company 10 years in receiving and defibrator department. In 1966 when we hired him he had "slightly prominent hilar shadows bilaterally. York finds vital capacity at 103%. What York saw on X-ray since he only found 2-1/2% could be 1966 markings.