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Environmental Quality
Committee

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS DEPARTMENT

October 7, 1981

DEPARTMENTAL OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH MANAGERS

ASBESTOS EXPANDED COMMUNICATION PACKAGE

As you know, for the past year the Medical Division has been involved in an intensified program to review the medical histories of employees and pensioners who may have been exposed to asbestos during their employment.

We want to ensure consistency in our communications regarding this program, so the attached documents have been prepared and are recommended for use by all departments. These documents should be used in lieu of those previously communicated to you on October 20, 1980 and May 27, 1981.

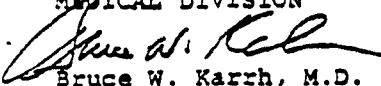
The material includes:

1. A copy of the corporate standby media statement.
2. A suggested standby media statement for site use.
3. A corporate media backgrounder on Du Pont's asbestos detection program.
4. A suggested employee communication on the asbestos screening program.
5. Expanded questions and answers on the program.
6. Illustrations of asbestos-related abnormalities for use at the plant site.

Because of the increased media interest in this subject, it is important that plant management limit the distribution of this package, especially the expanded questions and answers. The corporate standby statement and backgrounder are sent for the information of senior site management only. It will be up to site management to determine how broadly the site-specific elements of this package will be distributed to plant supervision. Bruce Karrh of the Medical Division will respond to media inquiries of a corporate nature. Any such inquiries should be forwarded to P. H. Wyche, Jr. in Public Affairs at 774-1942.

Please transmit this information to your sites as soon as possible. Sites are requested not to initiate communication to employees before 8:00 a.m., October 12, 1981.

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TO: DEPARTMENTAL OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH MANAGERS
P&ERD MANAGERS

FROM: P. H. WYCHE, JR.

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The attached communication package contains elements which are designed for plant site use in responding to inquiries about the company's Asbestos Detection Program for employees and pensioners.

This package was approved by the Environmental Quality Committee on October 1, 1981, with a few suggested changes. These changes were subsequently approved by the Asbestos Issue Coordinating Committee and incorporated in the attached package on October 2, 1981.

By this communication, we are requesting that the P&ERD Managers review this advance copy. Departmental Occupational Health Managers are being asked to forward this package to plant sites for release no earlier than 8 a.m., Friday, October 9, 1981.

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Attachment

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