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PRIVATE

The Managing Director,
Australian Blue Asbestos Pty. Ltd.,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

P. 872.
18th October, 1961.

Dear Sir,

DUST COLLECTION & VENTILATION. Your P. 872. These items have been the subject of several letters recently between this Company & the Chamber of Mines and the Senior Inspector of Mines.

We had a visit recently from the Senior Inspector of Mines & he expressed his appreciation at the improvements which had been made to the underground ventilation. Our plan was submitted to him and he approved of it in total. It was at our suggestion here that he offers to send a Ventilation Officer to carry out further surveys and we have confirmed this to him in a letter last week. We have already set up a programme of regular dust counts but we were using a standard field counter for our Semimeter whereas the Mines Department inspectors were using a Dark Field counter. The standard counter gives lower readings than the Dark Field unit. We have since purchased a Dark Field counter and this is in operation. This programme has been in operation for 6 months.

In our stop preparation and ventilation schedule several breakthroughs have been made in the bad areas and we now have continuous ventilation from G8 South area to G1 North area.

The dust nuisance in the primary crushing section has been overcome quite successfully. This work has been approved by an Inspector last week. He made a three day visit here and he concluded report by saying that "conditions underground continue to show good improvement".

The main point as we see it here is to eliminate the disaster from the rotelomae. This is the point every inspector raises during their visits.

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Wittenoom/Sydney.
P.672.
18th October, 1961.

We have a sheet metal worker full time in the mill whose so
job is dust collection.

We can assure you we are very conscious of the position and
we would welcome a visit from S.W.Hart & Company. We wrote to Perth on
Monday asking for a visit from Harts.

Yours faithfully,



HARTMAN.

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