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In its recent asbestos standards for general industry and the construction industry, OSHA prohibits the use of disposable or paper type respirators for asbestos exposures. Consequently, whenever work is performed involving asbestos exposures, rubber facepiece respirators equipped with high efficiency cartridges must be used.

According to OSHA's Respiratory Protection Program, these types of respirators must be regularly cleaned and disinfected by the employee who wears the respirator. In addition, in those instances where one respirator may be used by more than one person (e.g. self-contained breathing apparatus, supplied air respirators), they must be cleaned and disinfected after each use.

Please review your current usage of this type of respiratory protection and ensure that they are being cleaned and sanitized appropriately. Cleaning/sanitizing kits are available through any safety supply company.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

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BY:	Bill Hamblin, Hector DeLa Garza	
TE & SUBJECT:	June 24, 1987 MEETING WITH INDUSTRIAL SPECIALISTS, INC.	

Meeting held on Tuesday, June 23, with Byron Sadler and David Rodriguez of Industrial Specialists, Inc., Bill Hamblin and Hector DeLa Garza.

Contractor expressed interest in area sampling for asbestos contamination and personnel sampling. They felt that they needed to have an area sample for background before removing asbestos insulation and that they needed personnel sampling during operation.

Discussion with Ron Benton, Corporate Industrial Hygiene, concerning above:

Following discussion with Ron Benton and his consultation with corporate legal staff, we feel that there is no need for area sampling. We feel there is no way to prevent personnel sampling on contractor's people. We feel there is a liability to Reynolds Metals Company (RMC) in allowing area sampling without our supervision. Therefore, we will tell contractor he may sample his personnel. We do not want him sampling area. We will use the results of his personnel sampling to tell if RMC personnel in the area are affected.

Ron Benton noted that this contractor has not submitted asbestos questionnaire and must do so before beginning work. He also state that if the asbestos-containing insulation is to be removed without total enclosure, it must be kept wet at all times, picked up wet and bagged before it is allowed to dry. The contractor may not be able to provide adequate safeguards and may be required to provide enclosure.

Bill Hamblin notified of above Wednesday, June 24, 0800 hours.

[Signature]
D. W. Riner

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