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Memorandum for ~~File~~

REPLACEMENT FOR ASBESTOS CEMENT - NEWARK DISTRICT

On May 22, 1978, Mr. S. Kosierowski, Engineer in Newark District, Gas Transmission and Distribution, questioned me regarding the continued use of asbestos cement by service personnel. He noted having in storage in the district headquarters and in service vans, 10 pound cardboard boxes of "All Purpose Asbestos Insulation Fibers," manufactured by York Industries. The material is used infrequently to repair customer chimney flues. Many of the boxes are old, broken and leaking. I advised Mr. Kosierowski on the proper precautions for handling (and disposing) asbestos materials.

On May 30, 1978, I indicated to Mr. Kosierowski that non-asbestos refractory cements are generally available in two grades:

1. Hydraulic Setting Cement

   Contains: Mineral Wool and Portland Cement
   Temperature Range: Up to 1000°F

2. High Temperature Grade

   Contains: Mineral Wool
   Temperature Range: 1000°F to 1900°F

The two grades, distributed by Insulation Materials Corporation, are available from 3 manufacturers:

1. Johns-Manville

   a. "375" - Hydraulic Setting
   b. "360" - High Temperature Grade

2. Keene Corporation

   a. "Super Power House" - Hydraulic Setting
   b. "Super 1900" - High Temperature Grade

3. Fourty-Eight Insulation Inc.

   a. "Quick Set Cement" - Hydraulic Setting
   b. "Super 48" - High Temperature Grade

It may be useful to distribute this information to the other districts to avoid unnecessary exposure to asbestos.

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