

North American Refractories Workers Compensation Records

Date	To	From	Subject	Claimant Name	Def.	Comments
10/27/44	C.E. Bales, Vice President Ironton Fire Brick Co.	Superintendent	enclosing a copy of report of Don Hanna and recommending compliance with recommendations.		NARCO	
10/27/44	Medical Department, Industrial Commission	Don Hanna, Safety Engineer OCF claim	10/24/44 visit to Ironton Fire Brick. Has attached chemical analysis.	Averill H. Bayliss	NARCO	Dust counts 17.4-37.60 MPPCF with 34.89% - 35.11% aluminum oxide, recommends complete exhausting of areas and dropping dust counts to 2-5 MPPCF.
10/31/44	Don Hanna, Industrial Commission	C.E. Bales, Vice President, Ironton Fire Brick Co.	Clarifying that Dr. J. Otis Everhart of OSU did petrographic analysis and Downs Shaaf did chemical analysis of sample	Averill H. Bayliss	NARCO	
7/3/47	C.E. Bales, Vice President, The Ironton Fire Brick Company	Superintendent	enclosing copy of letter to Medical Department from Mr. Merritt	Henry Storms	NARCO	
7/3/47	Medical Department Industrial Commission	Lester M. Merritt, Safety Advisor	6/30/47 visit to Ironton Fire Brick Co. Discusses 10/44 visit of Don Hanna with 17-37 MPPCF dust counts.	Henry Storms	NARCO	
1/14/48	Lester M. Merritt, Safety Advisor, Industrial Commission	C.E. Bales, Vice President, The Ironton Fire Brick Company	dust sample taken was forwarded to Mr. Merritt's home, listed in American Ceramic Society bulletin		NARCO	Early mention of American Ceramic Society
1/16/48	Trudeau	Lester M. Merritt,	enclosing sample of	William M.	NARCO	

	Foundation Saranac Lake	Safety Advisor	dust	Crank		
1/16/48	Trudeau Foundation Saranac Lake	Lester M. Merritt, Safety Advisor	enclosing sample of dust	William M. Crank	NARCO	
1/24/48	James H. Fluker, Supt., Industrial Commission of OH	Saranac Laboratory	bill for x-ray diffraction and petrographic analysis of dust		NARCO	
1/24/48	James H. Fluker, Supt., Industrial Commission of OH cc: Lester M. Merritt	Arthur J. Vorwald, MD, Director of Research, Saranac Laboratory, Edward L. Trudeau Foundation	enclosing Mr. Bailey's report.		NARCO	
1/24/48	James H. Fluker, Supt., Industrial Commission of OH cc: Lester M. Merritt	Arthur J. Vorwald, MD, Director of Research, Saranac Laboratory, Edward L. Trudeau Foundation	enclosing Mr. Bailey's report Copy		NARCO	
2/13/48	The Medical Department, Industrial Commission	Lester M. Merritt, Safety Advisor	1/12/48 visit. Dust sample was taken and sent to Trudeau Foundation at Saranac Lake. Dust levels were 5-8 MPPCF.	William M. Crank	NARCO	This is for Ironton Firebrick company, predecessor to NARCO.
2/13/48	Cecil Bales, Vice President Ironton Fire Brick Company	James H. Fluker, Superintendent	enclosing letter from Lester M. Merritt, Safety Advisor		NARCO	
2/25/48	C. Bales, Vice President Ironton Fire Brick Company, Ironton, OH	Superintendent	letter of 2/20 encloses supplemental letter of L.W. Merritt. Discusses mineral diopside and Saranac results		NARCO	Sample of mineral was sent to Saranac for analysis.
2/25/48	Medical Department, Industrial Commission	L.W. Merritt, Safety Advisor	discusses use of sand and oil as lubricant to reduce dust.	Wm. H. Crank	NARCO	
8/10/54	A.W. Moon,		Requested Lester		NARCO	

	Acting Supervisor, Russell Els, Safety Advisor		Merritt call this company		
12/6/54	H.C. Enck, Plant Superintendent, North American Refractories, Strasburg OH	James H. Fluker, Superintendent	enclosing survey report of Lester Merritt.	NARCO	
12/6/54	James Fluker, Superintendent	Lester M. Merritt, Industrial Hygiene Engineer	11/30/54 visit. Records 1947 visit by Industrial Hygiene Foundation of Pittsburgh with low dust counts.	NARCO	Notes visit by 1947 IHF
10/12/61	James L. Thompson, Industrial Hygienist Industrial Commission cc: Dave Quigley, Cleveland and E.A. Williams Jr. Cleveland	Donald R. Smith, Plant Manager, North American Refractories, Ironton OH	Work record summary of claimant	Charles H. Lowe NARCO	letterhead states NARCO was fka The Ironton Fire Brick Company, manufacturer of Kentucky Refractories
10/16/61	Kettering Laboratories	James L. Thompson, Industrial Hygienist	enclosing sample for analysis	Charles H. Lowe NARCO	
10/18/61		Kettering laboratories	Sample results 16% free silica	NARCO	
10/23/61	D.R. Smith, Plant Manager, North American Refractories, Ironton, OH	DeWitt Huffman, Industrial Hygiene Engineer	enclosing letter from James L. Thompson, Industrial Hygienist	NARCO	
10/23/61	Paul Drugan, Bureau of Workmen's Compensation	James L. Thompson, Industrial Hygienist	Claimant was brick loader. Samples taken were 2-8 MPPCF of 16% free silica	Charles H. Lowe NARCO	
3/5/73	Jean Lund, Office Manager, North American Refractories Ironton, OH	Joseph M. Paese, Industrial Hygiene Engineer	2/22/73 visit	NARCO	
3/5/73	Robert L. Robbins, Legal Section,	Joseph M. Paese, Industrial Hygiene	2/22/73 visit for Silicosis OD claim	Charles Dickess NARCO	

	Industrial Commission	Engineer				
8/17/88	Judy Spencer, Legal Dept. Industrial Commission	James S. Ferguson, CIH	hearing loss claim	Ricky Evans	NARCO	states NARCO was working installing at Armco, Ashland 1984-1986.
10/22/91	Paul Maue, Safety Director, North American Refractories Company, Cincinnati, OH	Timothy Rittgers, Industrial Hygienist	9/12/91 visit for dust exposure		NARCO	
12/24/91	Paul Maue, Safety Director, North American Refractories Company, Cincinnati, OH	Timothy Rittgers, Industrial Hygienist	10/24/91 visit for dust, coal tar and noise exposure		NARCO	