

FILE NAME: Chrysler (CHRY)

DATE: 1969 Mar 17

DOC#: CHRY125

DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION: Letter to Chrysler Chemical Division from
Michigan Dept of Health RE Dust Survey



William G. Milliken
~~GOVERNOR~~ Governor

E. GERALD RICE, M.D., Director

STATE OF MICHIGAN

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

3500 N. LOGAN, LANSING, MICHIGAN 48914

Reply to: Wayne County Health Dept.
Merriman Road
Eloise, Michigan 48132

March 17, 1969

Chrysler Chemical Division
Chrysler Corporation
5437 West Jefferson
Trenton, Michigan 48133

Attention: Mr. Stanley C. Enders, General Manager

Gentlemen:

On February 13, 1969 we conducted a dust study of the various representative operations carried out in the manufacture of brake linings.

Air samples were collected in the breathing zone of the workers for dust content and compared to the limit of 5 million particles per cubic foot of air. All of our samples collected, except two, were below the maximum allowable concentration. Where the employee was dumping the asbestos mix from the can into the press for disk brake pads, the dust count was slightly above the limit. The other sample where the limit was exceeded, was on the brake lining grinder in bay 5-6 where the ventilation to the machine was disconnected.

During our visit we discussed these two machines and found that corrective measures were going to be taken on the press and that the ventilation to the brake grinding machine would be reconnected. Until these changes are made, respirators should be worn to protect the workers from over-exposure to asbestos dust.

We plan to visit your plant within the near future to examine the control measures placed on the new mixers installed to prepare the brake lining material. If the controls are satisfactory, it should be a vast improvement over the batch type unit now in use.

"Equal Health Opportunity for All"



Chrysler Chemical Division
Page 2
March 17, 1969

If you have any questions regarding this report before our next visit, please feel free to call on us.

Very truly yours,

DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH


Marvin M. Schuman
Regional Chief

MMS:ams

cc: / Mr. Don Eschelbach, Director, Industrial Hygiene Services,
Chrysler Corporation, P.O. Box 1919, Detroit, Michigan 48231

Mr. Elmer Lombard, Safety Administrator, Chrysler Chemical
Division, Chrysler Corporation, 5437 West Jefferson,
Trenton, Michigan 48183

Feb 1969

DATA SHEET

EXHIBIT

CHR-75

Sample No. Location and remarks Millions of Particles
per cu. ft. of air

MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CONCENTRATION ----- 5.0

1	Breathing zone - loading press for disc brake pad	3.7
2	Breathing zone - weighing asbestos mix for the disc brake pad	4.0
3	Breathing zone - operator of the machine grinder disc brake pad - Bessley double grinder	4.1
4	Breathing zone - inspector at the Bessley double grinder for the disc pad	4.0
5	Breathing zone - operator of the brake lining grinder at AD-6	3.0
6	Breathing zone of the forming operator before curing of the brake lining at Bay 5C	4.6
7	Breathing zone - inspector on the brake lining at Bay D-7	1.7
8	Breathing zone - grinder operator on brake lining at Bay B-6 - Ventilation disconnected	6.5
10	Breathing zone - rackers placing uncured lining into the racks and dumping cured linings from the racks at Bay B-6	4.3

ALL-STATE LEGAL

PLAINTIFF'S
EXHIBIT

WKS CHRSD