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RE: ASBESTOS EXPOSURE LEVELS

We believe we are at the forefront of technology in achieving control of asbestos fibers in our operation and are now achieving average exposure levels at or below 0.5 fibers/cc. Obviously, as the time weighted average (TWA) implies, fluctuations above and below 0.5 f/cc do occur.

We do not believe we can reliably predict the achievement of exposure levels at levels as low as 0.2 and 0.1 f/cc for a variety of reasons, most notable of these reasons, is the very inaccuracy of the sampling and analytical methods for fiber exposures at these low levels. Also, day-to-day variations in environmental conditions over which we have no control, e.g., temperature lapse rates or inversions, can significantly affect the efficiency of environmental control systems, especially at those very low threshold levels. And further, day-to-day fluctuations in exposures with our advanced state of the art control systems, do occur. While the magnitude of these fluctuations are relatively minor when compared to a 2 f/cc standard, they may become substantial, statistical and unpredictable fluctuations at 0.2 and 0.1 f/cc levels.