

June 22, 1961

Bureau of Workmen's Compensation
Ohio Departments Building
Columbus 15, Ohio

Attention: Mr. Paul J. Dragan, Referee, Room 410A RE: OD 116213
John Salata
Gentlemen:

The above numbered claim has been referred to this Division for a statement relative to the claimants exposure to dust containing free silica, while employed in Ohio. The claim is filed against the Koppers Company, Incorporated.

The file indicates the following:

Employment in Ohio

13 years to 1932 Wheeling Steel Corporation, Steubenville

1 year Wierton Steel Corporation, Steubenville

641 days 9/2/48 - 5/26/52 Koppers Company, Pittsburg

Approximately 17 years in Ohio ending 5/26/52

While building furnaces from silica brick and fireclay brick the claimant was exposed to dust concentrations varying from 2 to 20 million particles of dust per cubic foot of air. This statement is based upon dust counts taken in steel mills throughout the state of Ohio. The fireclay brick would contain up to 35% free silica. The silica brick would contain up to 90% free silica.

Very truly yours,

DeWitt Huffman
Industrial Hygiene Engineer

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