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considerable care

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3-5-48 - TRANS. & GENERATOR DIV.
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CC: TRANS. & GENERATOR DIV., J. S. Army, General Foreman, Sec. 2.

This afternoon I was in Section 2-6 and noticed the operation of the De-all Lophyr Saw at Column 40. This saw was cutting asbestos materials and created a large amount of dust which was being breathed by the men running the saw.

I would recommend that properly designed exhaust equipment be provided for this saw, also for any other machining operations which produce any significant amount of asbestos dust. The exhaust system should effectively carry away the dust created, and care should be taken not to create dust outside the effective area of the exhaust hood.

Asbestos dust, when breathed in excessive concentrations over a long period of time, can produce a chronic lung disease known as "asbestosis", and I feel that considerable care should be exercised to minimize any hazards of this type.

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