

ETERNIT1. Waste Disposal

The company told the ACA "waste is disposed of by dumping in a pit and then covering the material thus dumped with earth." (P77, published Digest of evidence).

This procedure does not appear to have occurred consistently in practice. The pit of dump was uncovered on a number of occasions when we visited it. Photographs (enclosed) show this to be so, in breach of the Code of Practice for dumping.

2. Morbidity and mortality

The company stated to the ACA, "Within the catchment area of the Meldreth factory, including its employees, there has, since the commencement of asbestos cement production in 1929 and up to the date of drafting this submission, been one known case of asbestos related disease" (P7 Digest of evidence).

In fact a rather different picture emerged as a result of our enquiries. We found 15-20

Daniel Archer - asbestosis

Bert Adams - mesothelioma

Arthur Ward - mesothelioma

Lillian de Bonnaire - mesothelioma

June Rule - mesothelioma

Gleno Ltd

1. Gleno Asbestos supported and endorsed the submission to the ACA (see page 2, Selected written Evidence), made by the Asbestos Cement Manufacturers Association.

In paragraph 28 (XV) they submit that "Factory waste, including fibre, is dealt with in a regulated manner on controlled tips under a Code of Practice".

But at Glenos we found their waste was left in a mound for some long time before being shovelled by a tractor into an open topped lorry and being transported uncovered through residential areas to an authorised tip. We have enclosed photographs for your attention.

2. The mound of waste is in a yard close to private housing and residents have complained of the dust which is blown into their homes (see press cuttings).

These criticisms of the industry underline the need for policing of the Asbestos Regulations and the Code of Practice for the disposal of asbestos.

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