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July 10, 1964

Mr. Charles Mallory, Works Manager
American Brakeblok Division
American Brake Shoe Company
Winchester, Virginia

RE: ACCIDENT PREVENTION PROGRESS REPORT 8-1-63 to 5-1-64

Dear Mr. Mallory:

The chart below shows a comparison of the accident experience produced by your plant during this and previous years.

	1963	1962	1961
Total Accidents Reported	7	17	14
Lost Time Accidents	6	3	8
Days Lost	160	18	232
Lost Time Accident Frequency	8.38	4.05	11.9
Lost Time Accident Severity	223.	24.3	346.
Loss Rate ($/1000 Manhours)	2.87	Not Kept	Not Kept

The comparison shows an excellent decrease in the number of accidents. The number of lost time accidents increased, but the number remains less than the total produced during 1961.

The loss rate (losses per 1000 manhours) produced is 2.87. This measurement of accident control has not been kept in the past, but the 2.87 represents a very favorable degree of loss control.

On the following pages you will find a review of loss control efforts and an outline of Objectives for 1964.

Very truly yours,

Lee O. Gaskins

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Safety Engineer

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cc: Mr. W. H. Baker, Safety Director
Mr. D. K. Rennie, Vice President
Mr. G. A. Riley, Eastern District Safety Supervisor

PROGRESS IN LOSS CONTROL

During the past year, punch press and band saw hazards have been closely evaluated.

Practical recommendations for the band saw and punch presses have been submitted.

It is felt that substantial progress has been made in controlling punch press hazards. Plexiglass has been used to guard individual dies.

The Book Press Prefora area has had dust collecting facilities installed to minimize the airborne asbestos exposure.

LOSS CONTROL OBJECTIVES

I. PUNCH PRESS HAZARD CONTROL

It is recommended that the punch press hazards be continually evaluated to further the control of these hazards.

Operators must be educated to always use available guards.

II. BLOK PRESS ACCIDENT CONTROL

The attached accident analysis shows a high frequency of accidents in the Blok Press Department.

Operations will be evaluated in this Department in an attempt to find ways to prevent similar accidents in the future.