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Manchester, Pa. 17345

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Sheila May Doll
Dennis Smith

JACK REILLY

*How do we answer this?
Appreciate your expert advice.
thanks
Al Hendrick*

Fisher Scientific Co.
711 Forbes Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Dear sir:

We are a group of concerned seventh grade students from Northeastern Junior High School. We are curious about asbestos because we will be doing several experiments with asbestos pads and are very concerned about the fact that asbestos may cause cancer. We would like to know if you have any ideas about using an alternate chemical instead of asbestos. Why aren't you warning the people if asbestos is dangerous? Could you possibly send us information on asbestos, or an alternate chemical. We would really like to know if you're doing anything about asbestos pads.

Sincerely,

Concerned Seventh Grade
Science Students

Northeastern Jr. High School
Charles R. Kohler
Hartman St.
Manchester, PA 17345
October 11, 1978

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*OSHA
Correspondence*

November 6, 1978

U.S. Department of Labor
Occupational Safety and Health Administration
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

Gentlemen:

I would appreciate your clarification of the asbestos standard, Subpart Z, 1910.1001. I interpret the standard to apply to any process involving the release of airborne asbestos fibers. What are your comments concerning products that are made of asbestos? I am speaking about certain laboratory products such as, gloves, finger cots, mats, fire blankets, fume hood liners, gasgets, etc. These products do not ordinarily liberate airborne fibers, however, age and useage can cause dusting.

My real question is, do these, and related-type products, come under 1910.1001? Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

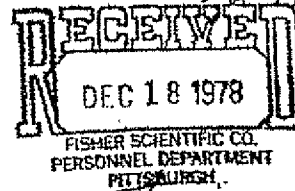
John R. Reilly
Corporate Safety Director

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Gloria:



per our phone conversation regarding

North eastern Jv. High School
Hartman St.
Manchester, Pa. 17345

I checked with Jim Williams (EMD) nothing open on trial balance # 599585-99, shows no sales to this school only to the school district.

I have to know what product the school is talking about -

I think it's 1-441 A, C, D (page 11, Fisher 79 cat)

Please keep if you can.

Thanks,
Jack Reilly

Jack,

We checked thru our entire '78 file for EMD. These are the only orders we found for this school. You might check Blawie, Bore on a while. EMD DSP to the warehouse records etc.

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December 11, 1978

Mr. Charles R. Kohler
Northeastern Jr. High School
Hartman St.
Manchester, PA 17345

Dear Mr. Kohler:

Please forgive the delay in answering your letter; however, I have had several telephone conversations with Mrs. Snelbaker explaining the situation.

We are not the manufacturer of the asbestos pads that you are questioning. I have been in touch with the manufacturer, and they are going to send me literature and physical properties of their product, which will be forwarded to you.

Enclosed is a copy of the Occupational Safety and Health (OSHA) asbestos standard. As you can see from this standard, OSHA is referring to asbestos operations that liberate airborne particles (fibers). I will be writing to you again as soon as I receive literature from the manufacturer.

Very truly yours,


John R. Reilly
Corporate Safety Director

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cc: C. Dithrich
G. Scott

Enclosure

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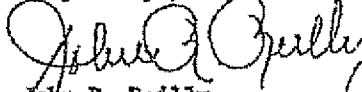
December 18, 1978

Mr. Charles R. Kohler
Northeastern Jr. High School
Hartman St.
Manchester, PA 17345

Dear Mr. Kohler:

In your original letter, you mention asbestos pads. I am interested in identifying the product in question. Is the product, catalog number 1-441A, C, or D? (See attached). When did you purchase this product? Please send all particulars.

Very truly yours


John R. Reilly
Corporate Safety Director

JRR:sf

Attachment

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Occupational Safety and Health Administration
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20210



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John R. Reilly
Corporate Safety Director
Fisher Scientific Company
711 Forbes Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219

Dear Mr. Reilly:

Thank you for your letter of November 6, 1978, concerning the OSHA Asbestos standard, 29 CFR 1910.1001. Please accept my apology for our delay in replying.

During normal use of the asbestos laboratory products named in your letter, exposures are expected to be low and thus would comply with the OSHA asbestos standard. The asbestos standard does apply during the manufacture, cutting, abrading, grinding, drilling, and sawing of these items, as well as during operations which involve cleaning them with a wire brush or extensive shaking (of fire blankets, for instance).

Medical examinations are not required for employees exposed to 8-hour time-weighted average concentrations of 0.1 fiber per cubic centimeter of air, or less (see the enclosed OSHA Program Directive on this subject).

I hope this answers your questions sufficiently, and I appreciate your interest in occupational health.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Bruce Hillenbrand", is written over the typed name.

Bruce Hillenbrand
Acting Director, Federal Compliance
and State Programs

Enclosure

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May 30, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR: Grover Wrenn, Director
Federal Compliance and State Programs

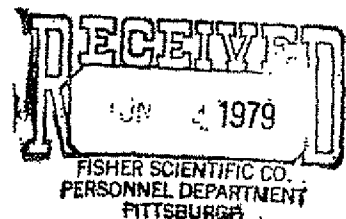
SUBJECT: Clarification of Asbestos Standard

This memorandum is a comment on your response to an inquiry by Mr. John Reilly, Fisher Scientific Company, 3/23/79, concerning the asbestos standard, 29 CFR 1910.1001. In your memo you said "during normal use of the asbestos laboratory products named in your letter, exposures are expected to be low and thus would comply with the OSHA asbestos standard." We are reluctant to predict compliance with the OSHA standard based on a "desk top" evaluation especially in light of Mr. Reilly's comment that "age and usage can cause dusting." Mr. Reilly's "real question" as he states in his letter is "...do these, and related-type products, come under 1910.1001?" The answer is yes. It is the individual employers' responsibility to make an assessment of his employees' asbestos exposure resulting from their particular working procedures and environment. Due to the highly toxic nature of asbestos, prudence dictates that this assessment be made even where compliance is anticipated.

DAVID M. RHONE
Regional Administrator

cc: Stanley Elliot, Area Director, Charleston
John R. Reilly, Corporate Safety Director
Fisher Scientific Company, 711 Forbes Ave
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