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May 29, 1968

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TO ASBESTOS BUILDING PRODUCTS MANUFACTURERS ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH COUNCIL

C.L. Sheckler - Chairman	J-M
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Frank Zimmerman	National Gypsum Company

TO OTHERS

J.W. Duncan	National Gypsum Company
M.S. Davis	Certain-teed Products Corp.
F.E. Dutcher	J-M
F.J. Solon	J-M
W.P.Raines	J-M

Gentlemen:

Subject: Seminar on Asbestos Environmental Control

This will serve as confirmation of meeting to be held in the Johns-Manville Board Room on the 11th floor, 22 East 40th Street at 10 A.M. Monday, June 17 with luncheon in the Board Room at 12:30. The meeting will run from 10 A.M. to 12:15 and from 1:30 to 3 P.M.

The meeting is under the auspices of the Mineral Fiber Products Bureau and the purpose is to determine any appropriate future series of actions by the Mineral Fiber Products Bureau.

Because of space limitations, the meeting must be restricted to those to whom this is addressed, all of whom have indicated their ability to be present.

In order to prepare you for this meeting, I am attaching the Johns-Manville position paper on this subject; also two pamphlets issued by the National Insulation Manufacturers Association on "Recommended Health Safety Practices for Handling and Applying Thermal Insulation Products Containing Asbestos" and "(the same ... Containing Mineral Fibers".

Very truly yours,

Edward C. Cerny, Jr. (Treasurer, MFPB)
Vice President and Merchandising Manager
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June 28, 1968

TO DIRECTORS MINERAL FIBER PRODUCTS BUREAU

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TO ASBESTOS BUILDING PRODUCTS MANUFACTURERS ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH COUNCIL

C. L. Sheckler - Chairman	Johns-Manville
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Harry Messler	GAF Corporation
Walter Knorr	Flintkote Company
Frank Zimmerman	National Gypsum Company

TO OTHER GUESTS

J. W. Duncan	National Gypsum Company
M. S. Davis	Certain-teed Products Corp.
F. E. Dutcher	Johns-Manville
F. J. Solon	Johns-Manville
W. P. Raines	Johns-Manville

Gentlemen:

For your information and files, I enclose a copy of the Minutes of the seminar on asbestos environmental control held in the Johns-Manville Board Room on June 17, 1968.

Yours sincerely,

Bradley Walls.

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Minutes of Meeting of
Board of Directors of

Mineral Fiber Products Bureau
June 17, 1968

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mineral Fiber Products Bureau was called at the invitation of Johns-Manville, and was held in Johns-Manville's Board Room at 22 East 40th Street, New York, New York, on June 17, 1968 at 10 A.M. The following were present representing Mineral Fiber Products Bureau:

A. H. Fay - President	National Gypsum Company
J. G. Hall - Vice President	GAF Corporation
J. D. Moran	Flintkote Company
E. C. Cerny	Johns-Manville
F. K. Sweeney	GAF Corporation
J. H. Davies	Atlantic Asphalt & Asbestos, Inc.
B. M. Walls - Counsel & Secretary	Davies, Hardy, Loeb, Austin & Ives

The following were in attendance representing the Asbestos Building Products Manufacturers Environmental Health Council:

C. L. Sheckler - Chairman	Johns-Manville
Albert Alpine	Certain-teed Products Corp.
Harry Messler	GAF Corporation
Walter Knorr	Flintkote Company
Frank Zimmerman	National Gypsum Company

Additional guests included:

J. W. Duncan	National Gypsum Company
M. S. Davis	Certain-teed Products Corp.
F. E. Dutcher	Johns-Manville
F. J. Solon	Johns-Manville
W. P. Raines	Johns-Manville

The meeting which had been called to present a report by the Asbestos Building Products Manufacturers Environmental Health Council to the Board of Directors of Mineral Fiber Products Bureau was opened with remarks of welcome from Mr. Cerny of

Johns-Manville. Mr. Fay, the President of Mineral Fiber Products Bureau, chaired the meeting and acknowledged with thanks J-M's arranging this presentation of environmental health problems. Mr. Fay called upon Messrs. Solon, Raines and Sheckler of J-M to present their report.

Mr. Solon reported J-M's finding to date of occupational problems concerned with asbestos building products and noted that the dosage of dust from such products and the time of exposure to such dusts were related. He stated, however, that J-M had not discovered any risk to the general public at large from asbestos building products. He reported that J-M retains public relations counsel exclusively for health matters. The firm retained is Hill and Knowlton, who also represent the British Asbestos interests in the field of public health. Mr. Solon explained that the British are considerably in advance of the Americans in the matter of asbestos and health control. J-M is cooperating with the British and is developing a library of information and is willing to cooperate with others on this subject. In response to a question, Mr. Solon noted that J-M did not participate directly in the Congressional hearings held to date on the Occupational Health and Safety Act of 1968 (HR 14816 and S. 2864).

There was some discussion of the Health and Safety Act of 1968 and it was noted by Mr. Sheckler that the Bill in its present broad form does not provide for the obligations of workers as well as of employers in the entire area of occupational health and safety. The Bill in its present form also raises questions of interference by the federal government with the police welfare and safety powers of the states. Mr. Sheckler noted the position of Dr. I. J. Selikoff of Mount Sinai Hospital, New York, in testifying in support of the Bill on behalf of the heat, frost and asbestos workers, that thermal insulation contractors are too small to help themselves and that federal legislation is necessary in occupational health areas.

It was noted that an insulation industry hygiene council is to be established with a budget of approximately $1 million to be expended over a period of five years and which will initially focus on problems in the thermal insulation field.

An audio-visual presentation was made by Mr. Raines indicating the extent of public concern already expressed in television news reports and in newspaper and medical journals about the health hazards of asbestos building products.

Mr. Sheckler discussed the moral and legal aspects of the problem of occupational health hazards. He noted that frequently Workmen's Compensation cases have been the customary routine pursued when occupational illnesses arose. He noted, however, that third party suits in negligence against manufacturers which are outside of Workmen's Compensation cases are becoming increasingly popular. Some such negligence suits have been for as much as $750,000.

Already some products such as insulation, are being labeled with cautionary advice. It was noted that as yet no attack has been made by labor unions against employers in their wage negotiations on the basis that their employees are involved in extra-hazardous occupations. There has been some movement by the unions to insist upon a contribution from members in the amount of $.25 per month per man for payment into a health fund. Presumably these contributions are passed on as negotiated wage increases.

Studies made have indicated that insulation workers on the average experience pulmonary disease at the rate of 25% to 30%. These diseases are believed to be compatible with their occupation of being exposed to insulation. It was noted that the figure given is an average and that the greater amount of exposure and greater time of exposure resulted in an exploding graph of pulmonary disease among insulation workers.

It was noted that the United States Public Health Service's theory is that asbestos fibers absorb trace metals such as nickel, cobalt and chrome and when these fibers lodge in the human lung, these trace metals remain there.

Dr. I. J. Selikoff's theory noted that there is no bronchogenic cancer among the insulation workers who do not smoke. Therefore, he theorizes that asbestos is a target of nicotines and tars. Insulation workers who smoke are much more liable to contract bronchogenic disease.

It was Mr. Sheckler's feeling that although some scientists and reporters may seem to promote undue publicity of the health hazard and thus demonstrate considerable irresponsibility, Dr. Selikoff's work is highly regarded today. Dr. Selikoff himself has a formidable reputation as a scientist.

Mr. Sheckler indicated that in his opinion the risk of disease is greater in the asbestos cement manufacturing operations than in insulation manufacturing operations. He believes that the presence of silica together with asbestos in asbestos cement products adds greater hazard than that found in the insulation function. It was indicated that the new insulation industry hygiene council will conduct studies with a view to protect asbestos workers in the following areas:

1. identification of dust sources;
2. prevention of dust formation;
3. removal of dust;
4. protective masks;
5. housekeeping practices;
6. establishment of surveillance procedures:
   (a) dust levels;
   (b) material studied; and
   (c) trade practices.
7. medical surveillance;
8. cigaret smoking.

It is anticipated that a scientific advisory committee may be appointed to the IIHC. Such a committee would probably include four medical doctors or scientists, such as Dr. E. K. Hammond (Epidemiologist), Dr. George Wright, Dr. Selikoff, Dr. Ferris (Professor Public Health at Harvard), Dr. Marvin Kushner (cancer researcher at NYU). In addition, J-M may provide assistance in the areas of engineering and research for a limited amount of time. It is also expected that the U. S. Public Health Service and the United States Bureau of Mines will sit in on the scientific committee. The New York Academy of Sciences will be the sponsor of the IIHC and its meetings will be held there.

To illustrate the importance of the problem, Mr. Sheckler reported that many years ago the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists held that the maximum allowable

amount of dust in the air should be 5.0 million particles per cubic foot. It is expected that this figure will be revised to a maximum allowable of 2.0 million particles per cubic foot.

In situations presently existing with what is believed to be good dust control, Mr. Sheckler has observed the following concentrations of dust expressed in millions per cubic foot in the vicinity of the following machines:

radial saw	12.2
skil saw (with exhaust)	18.2
monolithic saw	5.3
swing saw	6.6
band saw	8.0
edge trimmer	14.0
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It was noted that masks in common use are approximately only 35% effective and that the health problem being studied does not occur as much in the mining operations of asbestos as it does in the milling and processing.

After lunch, the meeting considered the role of the Mineral Fiber Products Bureau in this expanding study of environmental health. Consideration was given to a redefinition of purposes of the MFPB and the possible creation of a health and safety committee.

Mr. Sheckler felt that the MFPB could be of great value in dealing with fabricators and contractors in meeting with them and talking with them about the problem.

Some discussion was held on the advisability of focusing studies on the manufacturing and handling of asbestos cement products. This study would be of internal operations and would include exchange of information among manufacturers. In addition, it was believed that study should focus upon external operations and the relationships between the manufacturers and their customers.

It was the consensus that the first point should be an appraisal within the industry of the gravity of the situation and that embarking upon extensive public relations, government reports and dissemination of booklets to the trade about health

safety practices should be done after full consideration and understanding within the industry of problems peculiar to asbestos building products.

Mr. Fay summarized discussion by stating that the MFPB would consider a change of its name to its former name, Asbestos-Cement Products Association; that it would consider appointment of a health and safety committee; that it would review its current purposes and amplify and revise them; that it would develop a plan to encourage asbestos cement producers of products to join that committee insofar as those activities related to the needs of other asbestos cement manufacturers. Mr. Fay felt that the draft pamphlet on recommended health safety practices for handling and applying health products be deferred in publication until all members of the Bureau had ample opportunity to consider the booklet.

Mr. Sheckler's present committee will remain intact and has agreed to delay the publication of the Health Safety booklet for a period of sixty days pending further discussion of this matter.

Conveying the thanks of the MFPB to J-M and the participants in the seminar, Mr. Fay adjourned the meeting at 3 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Bradley Wills

Division Headquarters
June 18, 1968

F.J. Solon - 12
W.P. Raines - 12
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cc: F.E. Dutcher - 11
M.F. MacDonald - 7

Seminar on Asbestos Environmental Control

This is a brief summary of the results of the meeting held in the J-M Board Room on June 17 with the Directors of the Mineral Fiber Products Bureau and the group known as the Asbestos Building Products Manufacturers Environmental Health Council:

1. There was unanimous approval and expression of appreciation for the fine presentation by Messrs. Solon, Raines and Sheckler.

2. While some had an intimation of the problem, most were unaware of the severe involvement they may have with this potential health problem, and the meeting served to open their eyes.

3. Actions planned by the Mineral Fiber Products Bureau:

   a. The name has been changed back to the Asbestos-Cement Products Association.

   b. A "Health and Safety Council" has been formed which will operate as a separate organization within and under the auspices of the ACPA.

   c. The Health and Safety Council will operate with broad objectives to bring both plant processing and field applications of asbestos-cement products within satisfactory health and safety limits. The most immediate objective will be approval and/or modification of the draft on "Recommended Health Safety Practices for Handling and Applying Asbestos-Cement Products" as prepared under the auspices of Cliff Sheckler and his Council. This may be distributed initially only to fabricators who have similar conditions to the manufacturers of asbestos-cement. Then field studies will probably be initiated to determine the extent of asbestos dust concentration in field applications of various types of asbestos-cement materials with the ultimate objective of setting safety standards where these are needed.

   d. Invitations to join the Council will be extended to manufacturers of asbestos-cement products who are not now members of the ACPA; viz.: Carey, Supradur, USG, Certain-teed, Woodward Iron. There will be a nominal initiation fee of $50.

   e. In order to put across to these organizations not represented at the meeting on June 17 the need for the Health and Safety Council, an identical presentation is planned for July 9, 15, or 17 from 10:30 to noon followed by luncheon. In addition to the proposed new members, it was requested by Messrs. Moran and Sweeney that invitations to attend be extended by them to Messrs. Pecaro and O'Leary, who (they are sure) are just not aware of the problem.

   f. President Al Fay is making the arrangements for the date and the invitations. When this is settled, we will have to zero in on the best place for this meeting. If held on the 15th, we will use the Large Board Room. If on the 9th or 17th, probably at the Union League Club.

E.C. Cerny

General Headquarters
June 19, 1968

C. B. Burnett

Results of Joint Meeting
Directors of Mineral Fiber Products Bureau
and
Asbestos Building Products Manufacturers'
Environmental Health Council (Cliff Sheckler's Group)

Ed Cerny hosted meeting. Al Fay of National Gypsum chaired.

Solon-Raines presented audio-visual on asbestos-health. Went well. Many present surprised at seriousness of problem.

Sheckler presented results of his committee's work. Lively discussion followed. We and Sheckler group left room so MFPB Directors could have formal meeting. They decided:

1) To change their name from Mineral Fiber Products Bureau to Asbestos Cement Products Association.

2) To form a Health and Safety Council of ACPA.

3) To invite present non-members to join either the Association or the Council alone. Latter at about $50/year dues.

4) Al Fay of National Gypsum planning a July meeting, will invite George Pecaro, Tim O'Leary and officials of such companies as Carey, U.S.Gypsum, Certain-teed, Woodward Iron - to get them to join. He has asked us to put on the same presentation.

5) ACPA Boards wants to cooperate in getting out the booklet for construction workers in 60-90 days. However, they want to limit distribution to contractors who have workers fabricating A/C products in confined areas. This will take care of National Gyp's objection that wholesale distribution would "Scare h--- out of everybody!"

I'd say that at the moment everything is going along well.

F. J. Solon, Jr.

cc-C. L. Sheckler, Finderne

ATTENDEES

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Frank Zimmerman	National Gypsum Company
Walter Knorr	Safety Director - Flintkote Company

OTHERS

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F.J. Solon,Jr.	J-M
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Mineral Fiber Products Bureau

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June 19, 1968

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Messrs. A. H. Fay
J. G. Hall
J. Moran
F. K. Sweeney
J. H. Davies
E. C. Cerny

Gentlemen:

Advise BW

I enclose a rough first draft of a set of By-Laws for the proposed Health and Safety Council of the Asbestos-Cement Products Association. May I have your thoughts about these By-Laws at your earliest convenience so that some kind of semi-final draft can be put into the hands of prospective members of the Council before our July meeting. As I explained to you, I am trying to imitate the arrangement created by the Asphalt Roofing Manufacturers Association for its Western and Southern Committees, both of which have members who are not members of the Association.

I feel that it is important that the Health and Safety Council should operate under the organizational umbrella and the legal setup of the A-CPA. Aside from the obvious benefits of being an arm of an established organization, this arrangement would insure the tax deductibility of contributions to the Council.

Yours sincerely,

Bradley Wells

BMW:lz

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BY-LAWS
of the
HEALTH & SAFETY COUNCIL
of the
ASBESTOS-CEMENT PRODUCTS ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I - NAME.

The name of this organization shall be the Health & Safety Council of the Asbestos-Cement Products Association.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSES.

1. The Council is the official channel of the Asbestos-Cement Products Association for the exploration, development, study, coordination, collaboration, promotion and publication of health and safety programs related to the asbestos-cement industry and asbestos-cement products.

2. The Council shall initiate, develop and direct studies and public relations programs designed lawfully to promote and foster health and safety policies and programs for the asbestos-cement industry as will tend,

(a) To appraise and resolve health and safety problems peculiar to the asbestos-cement industry for manufacturers of asbestos-cement products; and

(b) To assist fabricators and users of asbestos-cement products in their health and safety programs; and

(c) To cooperate with other groups, governmental or private, studying and reporting on health and safety problems of the asbestos-cement industry.

3. This organization is not organized for pecuniary profit.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP.

Asbestos-Cement Products Association Members

Members of the Asbestos-Cement Products Association are eligible for appointment by the Board of Directors of A-CPA for membership in the Council. Each Association member having representation on the Council may have only one official Council member who may designate an alternate to function in his stead when occasion may require.

Non-Asbestos-Cement Products Association Members

Those individuals, partnerships and corporations who manufacture asbestos-cement products, but are not members of A-CPA may be appointed to membership in the Council by the Board of Directors of A-CPA upon payment of an initiation fee of $50 to the Council.

NOTE:

(a) Membership in the Council shall not be construed to entitle non-members of A-CPA any of the rights and privileges concomitant with membership in the A-CPA.

(b) The Board of Directors reserves the right to terminate any membership in the Council without cause.

(c) Any member of the Council may resign his Council membership at any time by giving written notice of resignation to the President of A-CPA, but shall not be entitled to any refund of voluntary contributions theretofore made to the funds of the Council.

ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS.

1. Meetings of the Council shall be called by the President of the Council, a majority of the members of the Council or by the President of A-CPA.

2. Notices of Meetings shall be issued to Committee members only from the offices of the A-CPA, and each such notice shall be accompanied by a written agenda detailing the subjects to be considered, and no subjects not on the agenda shall come before the Meeting.

ARTICLE V - OFFICERS.

The Council shall elect annually from its members a President and a Vice-President who shall serve until the next annual election or until their successors shall have duly qualified.

The Secretary of A-CPA shall act as Secretary of the Council and the Treasurer of the Council shall be the Treasurer of A-CPA.

ARTICLE VI - MINUTES.

Minutes of all Council proceedings shall be duly kept, reviewed by legal counsel of A-CPA, and distributed to all Council members as well as to members of the Board of Directors of A-CPA when legal counsel shall so advise.

ARTICLE VII - COUNCIL FUNDS.

The funds of the Council, together with records of receipts and disbursements therefrom, shall be kept separate from the funds of A-CPA. Council funds will derive from voluntary contributions that may be made by A-CPA members, Non- ACPA members, and concerns who sell materials used in the manufacture of asbestos-cement products. The amounts and methods of contributing shall be as determined by each individual contributor.

ARTICLE VIII - REVIEW.

All policies and programs of the Council are subject to review by the Board of Directors of A-CPA and by A-CPA legal counsel,

ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS.

The Council may propose amendments to these By-Laws as experience may suggest to the Board of Directors of A-CPA for approval or disapproval of all proposed amendments to these By-Laws.

ARTICLE X - DISSOLUTION.

1. The Council may be dissolved by the vote or written consent of two-thirds of the Council or by resolution of the Board of Directors of A-CPA.

2. In the event of the dissolution of the Council each member thereof at the time of such didsolution shall be entitled to a refund from the net assets of the Council according to such Member's total contributions to the Council.

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Environmental Control Department
Research & Engineering Center
June 20, 1968

E. C. Cerny - DHQ

Seminar on Asbestos-Cement Environmental Control
Your letter June 18, 1968

On behalf of our J-M Environmental Control Department and our Asbestos Building Products Manufacturers Environmental Health Council, I wish to thank you for arranging the meeting of June 17, 1968.

I was especially pleased with your report of the action taken by the MFPB Board of Directors concerning their desire to pursue health safety practices both in manufacturing and fabrication-application.

As indicated at the meeting, we will maintain our present Asbestos Building Products Manufacturers Environmental Health Council. We will cooperate and coordinate activities with your group until such a time that both organizations agree it is advantageous to combine into one organization. We will delay printing and distribution of the booklet "Recommended Health Safety Practices for Handling and Applying Asbestos-Cement Products" for two months pending reorganization of your MFPB Association.

Distribution of the booklets, field studies of dust concentrations in this industry, etc., are details that can be worked out after we have reached a determination concerning the organizational structure.

As you are aware, I have been assigned the responsibility within our own company to prepare, publish and follow through with the distribution of a Health Safety booklet regarding Asbestos-Cement products. I will, therefore, continue with this project until it has been completed.

In order to provide you with background information concerning our J-M policies, practices and activities in relation to Environmental Control, I am enclosing copies of bulletins, standard practices, publications, correspondence, etc.

Your letter indicates plans for a meeting on July 9, 15 or 17. I will not be available during the week of July 8 - 12. I will be available on the 15th or 17th.

C. L. Sheckler

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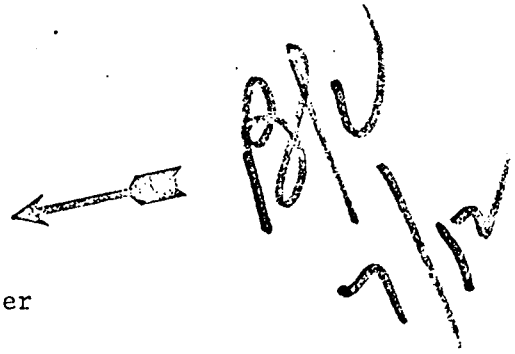
Seminar on Asbestos Environmental Control

This is a follow-up to my letter of June 18 which was a summary of the meeting on June 17.

Please note the attached draft of By-Laws for the proposed Health and Safety Council of the Asbestos-Cement Products Association. I can see nothing wrong with the way this has been put together (and have so advised Bradley Walls), and believe that the Council will be a valuable industry-wide vehicle for the publication of any health and safety standards.

The date of the next meeting has not yet been established from the three dates of July 9, 15, or 17, but I will advise you as soon as I hear from Al Fay.

E.C. Corey



Division Headquarters
June 27, 1968

F.J. Solon
W.P. Raines
C.L. Sheckler

cc: F.E. Dutcher
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M F. MacDonald

Attached Letter
Asbestos-Cement Products Association
Health and Safety Council

This meeting should be organized in the same way as our previous one since the objective will be to expose the potential new members of the Health and Safety Council of A-CPA to the importance of their participation in membership in and the work of the Health and Safety Council. You will note that the time has been tightened up somewhat because the only ones not now familiar with the facts are the representatives from Supradur, U.S. Gypsum, Philip Carey and Woodward.

Since I am sure the Health and Safety Council will get under way, I would appreciate your opinion on who should represent J-M in this activity. Please note that the companies who will be in the Council are all the manufacturers of asbestos-cement products in the United States. This, of course, includes pipe, which is manufactured by Certain-teed, Flintkote, Woodward and J-M. I am sure that this group would welcome Cliff Sheckler for membership and would probably welcome his leadership. However, I ought to have some guidance on whether this fits in with your planning.

E.C. Cerny

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TO OTHER ASBESTOS-CEMENT MANUFACTURING COMPANY REPRESENTATIVES

Fred Netter (attachments)	Supradur Corporation
M.S. Davis	Certain-teed Products Corporation
Fred Williams (attachments)	U.S. Gypsum Company
Paul Kipp	U.S. Gypsum Company
Wendell Brown	U.S. Gypsum Company
James Suddeth (attachments)	Philip Carey Corporation
W.R. Bond (attachments)	Woodward Corporation

TO OTHERS CONCERNED WITH ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

F.E. Dutcher	J-M
D.L. Hinmon	J-M
F.J. Solon	J-M
W.P. Raines	J-M
C.L. Sheckler	J-M

Gentlemen:

Subject: Asbestos-Cement Products Association
Health and Safety Council

This will serve as confirmation of meeting to be held in the Johns-Manville Board Room on the 11th floor, 22 East 40th Street at 10:30 A.M. Monday, July 15 with luncheon in the Board Room at 12:30. The meeting will run from 10:30 A.M. to 12:15 P.M. and will conclude by 1:30 after luncheon is served.

The meeting is under the auspices of the Asbestos-Cement Products Association; and the purpose is to solicit membership in the newly-organized Health and Safety Council of the Asbestos-Cement Products Association and to set up programs for the Health and Safety Council to accomplish.

All of those to whom this is addressed have indicated ability to attend. If you are unable to attend or if there are any substitutions or requested additions, please advise by telephone. As preparation for this meeting, I am enclosing the following for those who have not previously received this material: The Johns-Manville position paper on Asbestos Environmental Control and the two pamphlets recently issued by the National Insulation Manufacturers Association.

Very truly yours,

Edward C. Cerny, Jr. (Treasurer - A-CPA)
Vice President and Merchandising Manager
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BUILDING AND FLOORING MATERIALS DIVISIONS

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ASBESTOS CEMENT PRODUCTS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Informal Meeting
Concerning Health and Safety Council
July 15, 1968

An informal meeting under the auspices of the Asbestos Cement Products Association (ACPA) was held on the invitation of Mr. Edward C. Cerny, Jr., Treasurer of the Association, in the Board Room of Johns-Manville Corporation at 22 East 40th Street, New York at 10:30 A.M. on July 15, 1968.

The following persons were present representing Asbestos Cement Products Association:

A. H. Fay, President	National Gypsum Company
J. G. Hall, Vice President	GAF Corporation
E. C. Cerny, Treasurer	Johns-Manville Corporation
J. D. Moran	Flintkote Company
J. H. Davies	Atlantic Asphalt & Asbestos, Inc.
William A. Boylan, Counsel	Davies, Hardy, Loeb, Austin & Ives

The following guests were present by invitation:

Fred Netter	Supradur Corporation
Harold McNabb	Certain-teed Products Corp.
Paul Kipp	U.S. Gypsum Company
Wendell Brown	U.S. Gypsum Company
James Suddeth	Philip Carey Corporation
David Weaver	Woodward Corporation
H. M. Ball	Johns-Manville Corporation
D. L. Hinmon	Johns-Manville Corporation
W. P. Raines	Johns-Manville Corporation
C. L. Sheckler	Johns-Manville Corporation

Mr. Fay acted as Chairman of the meeting, and Mr. Boylan acted as Secretary thereof in the absence of Bradley Walls, Secretary of ACPA, who was attending a meeting relating to possible health and safety problems in the production and application of asbestos insulation at the New York Academy of Sciences with Dr. I. J. Selikoff of Mount Sinai Hospital, J. B. Jobe, J. M. Barnhart of National Insulation Manufacturers Association, A. E. Hutchinson of the Heat and Frost Insulators and Asbestos Workers Union and others.

Describing the background and purposes of the meeting, Mr. Fay stated that over a period of time ACPA had become increasingly aware of possible health and safety hazards resulting from the production and use of asbestos cement products specifically, as well as asbestos products generally. He stated that members of ACPA thought it desirable to organize a health and safety council to provide interested persons with full information concerning these problems and a framework for further activity. He reported that at a meeting of the Board of ACPA in June there had been a feeling that a health and safety council should be established and that interested persons who were not members of ACPA should be invited to join the council and participate in its activities.

Mr. Cerny then introduced Mr. Raines, who presented slides and movies showing publicity that has been given to health and safety problems in the asbestos industry. Mr. Raines stated that it had been determined that these risks were occupational and related to dosage and time, and that there was no evidence of risk to the general public and that Johns-Manville intended to continue to seek information and to improve health and safety conditions.

Thereafter, Mr. Sheckler discussed problems that had arisen and the increasing interest of the federal government, labor organizations and plaintiffs in workmen's compensation proceedings and court actions.

He pointed out that Dr. I. J. Selikoff's extended and specific remarks at a meeting of the International Union of Heat and Frost Insulators and Asbestos Workers had aroused great interest and that an ad hoc committee composed of representatives of several corporations in the asbestos cement industry had drafted a booklet to be distributed to users of asbestos cement setting forth recommended health safety practices. Copies of this draft had previously been circulated to those at the meeting.

Mr. Sheckler added that the health and safety problems in connection with asbestos cement were in some respects different from those of insulation: in the manufacture of asbestos cement products the exposure might be higher than in the case of insulation products, but in the application of asbestos cement the risks might be lower. He reported that the studies of Dr. Selikoff in New York and Dr. Cooper in Berkeley had been confined to insulation workers.

A general discussion followed the remarks by Mr. Raines and Mr. Sheckler.

Mr. Ball remarked that courts and workmen's compensation board currently appear to be friendly to plaintiffs claiming harmful results from working with asbestos.

Mr. Sheckler advised that new health standards had been suggested by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists of only 2,000,000 particles per cubic foot. This standard is stricter than that suggested in the past (5,000,000 particles per cubic foot). As to the specific health problems presented, he reported that it was believed that development of silicosis required an exposure to dust over a period of 20-25 years and that the same period was required for the development of bronchogenic cancer. A third disease, mesothelioma, is rare, and little is known of it. It may or may not be related to dosage.

Mr. Brown commented that the State of Illinois was becoming interested in asbestos health problems.

Mr. Sheckler noted that insulation materials are now labeled with a warning notice and that respirators, approved by the Bureau of Mines, were not entirely effective in filtering dust.

Mr. Fay reported on the research program of the Quebec Asbestos Mining Association, which has appropriated more than $250,000 in the past year. ACPA would not duplicate the research effort of QAMA, but would confine itself to appraising any health problems peculiar to the manufacturing aspects of the asbestos cement industry, assisting fabricators and users of asbestos cement products in any health and safety programs and cooperating with other private and governmental groups studying the same problems. He indicated that the draft booklet addressed to users of asbestos cement, previously mentioned by Mr. Sheckler, prepared under the auspices of a group of asbestos cement manufacturers might be the first order of business of an ACPA Health and Safety Council.

Mr. Fay reviewed draft By-Laws for the Health and Safety Council of ACPA, proposed an initial membership payment of $50. per member (which for members of ACPA would be paid out of ACPA funds) and inquired of the visitors representing manufacturers who are not members of ACPA as to their interest. Representatives of three manufacturers indicated that their organizations would

went to join, and representatives of two others indicated that they would have to report to their companies before giving final answers.

There was further general discussion of the different types of risks. Mr. Moran suggested that problems of distribution of pipe were different from other problems in connection with asbestos cement and suggested that pipe be handled separately.

Thereafter, the meeting was adjourned for luncheon.

Respectfully submitted,

William A Boyle