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ASBESTOS-FREE GASKETING

As of January 23, the status of this program is as follows:

Gasketing:

A new formulation for exhaust gasketing particularly suitable for coin-ring gaskets, which require a thermoplastic binder, has been developed in the lab. A plant trial run is planned by the end of the first week in February. This material can also potentially serve as a low cost replacement for E-630, which has met some resistance due to its price being appreciably higher than its asbestos counterpart.

Several machine felt suppliers have submitted samples of their smoothest felt recommendation. Lab tests with a press were used to select from them, and a felt is on order and due in about one month. This will be run to determine the improvement attainable on head gasketing sealability.

Millboard:

A second 2 1/2 ton trial run of the new 11-56L formulation was made, and again delamination was acceptable, even in 1/2 inch thickness. A trial order in six thicknesses has been shipped to Val-Pro, who was favorably impressed by samples.

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