



INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: R. A. Hemmelgarn
FROM: A. P. Staszak
LOCATION: Paulding
SUBJECT: OSHA FOLLOW-UP HYGIENE INSPECTION

DATE: April 9, 1976

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On April 7, 1976, Bill Gribble, Industrial Hygienist from the Toledo OSEA office, returned to continue his earlier inspection of April 1, 1976.

First, we met in my office briefly to discuss which machines he would be wanting to sample.

Gribble then met with Jane Miller of the UAW and Rick Mabis of the MESA.

We then proceeded to the Block Department, at which there were 3 air samplings taken. One six hour sampling was taken on the Slab Mill/Gang Saw and two fifteen minute samples were taken on the #1639 End Cut Saw. The Slab Mill/Gang Saw appeared quite clean until at the end of the shift the Slab Mill enclosure was cleaned out with a shovel. At this time a considerable amount of dust was generated from, transferring the shavings into a hopper. On the #1639 End Cut Saw, visible dust was quite abundant. It is unknown at this time what problem exists, as all results of previous dust samples taken by us at this location have been below 5 fibres per cubic centimeter.

Following inspection of the Block Department, Gribble requested to see the respirator we furnish our employees. He said he would check with MESA/NIOSH to determine whether they are still considered an approved type.

During the closing conference, Gribble discussed our housekeeping and the two machines sampled. Regarding housekeeping, Gribble said that we have made great strides. Machines look considerably cleaner than during his September, 1975 visit. With respect to the two machines sampled, he was reasonably sure that the dust level on the #1639 End Cut Saw was above the present permissible level of 5 fibres per cubic centimeter. As for the Slab Mill/Gang Saw, he did not care to speculate.

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Following the discussion, Gribble said "there will be no more gifts." Fines, he said, will be substantially higher and OSHA will not be as liberal with abatement dates as in the past.

It will most likely be four to six weeks before the analysis of samples taken has been completed. Pending these results, we may or may not be issued a citation and/or fine at that time.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "A. P. Staszak".

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