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FROM: W. J. Neuhauser

CC: Mr. W. J. Vogel

SUBJECT: ASBESTOS STANDARDS - OSHA

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WE HAVE BEEN
ASKED TO ASSIST IN
FINDING SUBSTITUTES
FOR ASBESTOS - WHERE USED
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Gentlemen:

In view of the following excerpt from a recent Pollution Committee meeting, would each of you review your local situation and report back if a serious condition exists that either cannot be eliminated or satisfactorily controlled:

"Dr. MacMillan reported that the OSHA Asbestos Standard is effective as of July of this year and that the restrictions are so severe as to warrant a serious attempt to stay away from its use and use a substitute. There followed considerable discussion regarding the allowables as well as the extent of the necessary monitoring, physical examinations, etc., in order to fulfill the OSHA requirements under this standard. It was also brought out that asbestos is in such divergent and multiple usage that to categorically state we would use a substitute would be both impractical and impossible.

Mr. Newman suggested that an engineering bulletin be put out, pointing out the developing situation and suggesting substitutes to be used under specific circumstances. It was further suggested that Mr. B. J. Sasser be requested to study this matter.

It was the consensus of those present that we should proceed to eliminate wherever possible the use of asbestos-fiber-bearing materials. Copy of the OSHA Standard for exposure to asbestos dust is attached hereto."

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