



GEORGIA-PACIFIC

INTERDEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATION

DATE: May 18, 1973

TO: Mr. E. B. Hollingsworth

LOCATION: Wilmington

FROM: J. D. Rauch

LOCATION: Akron

SUBJECT: OSHA INSPECTION - AKRON, NEW YORK PLANT
cc: Mr. H. W. Peele - Wilmington

At 11:45 A.M. ON Thursday, May 17, 1973, Mr. R. C. Boucher, OSHA Inspector for this district, arrived for a plant inspection. This was to check on the status of the thirteen citations recently from his February 22, 1973 inspection.

We were cleared on all of the citations except item number 1, 3, and 9. Item one is regarding an exit sign over the Plant Laboratory door. We thought that we had cleared this citation by installing an exit sign. We were advised today that this must be a lighted exit sign. This will be installed in the next few days. Item three is partly corrected, we have to complete the roof work to abate this citation fully. Mr. Boucher required a xerox copy of our plant purchase order as proof that we actually had this job in progress. This is covered by our p.o. number NY 06204. Item nine is regarding the chain guards around our J/S truck dock. We had installed a chain guard as required. We had to provide a xerox copy of our purchase order for this chain and xerox copies of the catalog paper indicating the chain had a break strength of 200 pounds or more. We still do not have total approval of this chain guard. We must provide vertical supports on 8 foot centers for this chain, then we can gain approval.

We were instructed by Mr. Boucher to telephone him when this work is completed. We explained that we thought we had cleared all of the citations except the roof repair. We were advised that OSHA cannot advise the proper abatement procedures, they can only advise if our corrective steps are acceptable or not. There was no indication that any further dollar penalty will be imposed.

Asbestos

At our afternoon meeting following the inspection, Mr. Boucher asked several questions about our asbestos dust problems in the Joint System Department. I had to give him information regarding our A.F.E. request for the dust collectors. When ask about the delay in starting the project I advised that we were waiting for their OSHA asbestos test results so proper equipment could be purchased to meet all requirements. We also advised that we were actively engaged in work to phase asbestos out of our products. This seemed to take a lot of pressure off of the asbestos situation right away.

We will call Mr. Boucher in the next few days and advise him that items one and nine are cleared. We will assume that this file is closed as soon as the roof repairs are made. *called 5/21/73*

With the experience we have had today, having to prove the chain strength and prove that the roof job had been awarded, it might be wise to advise our other locations to be prepared to provide such proof of any corrections made.

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