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cc: R. L. Bourget

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SUBJECT

Safety Incidents in 84 Building

REFERENCE

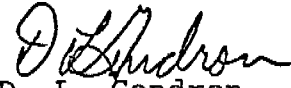
TO

All PVC Personnel

I am concerned that several potentially serious safety incidents have happened in 84 Bldg. in the last few weeks. Many of these incidents appear to have been caused by inattention to details, which is a bad habit for any of us to get into. Some examples are:

1. Valves have been found open on the kettle bottom lines leading to the blowdown tank, the seed strainer, and on the blowdown tank itself. In one case this caused a discharge of VCM into the work room.
2. The valves in the virgin VCM system have been found arranged so that VCM was being withdrawn from one tank and returned to the other.
3. Lines containing VCM under pressure have been opened while maintenance operations were being performed farther down the line, causing a discharge of VCM vapor into the work room.
4. Batches have been allowed to go out of control without taking proper corrective action, in two cases lifting a relief valve. This is almost unheard of in the Paste process, and can nearly always be prevented.
5. A fork truck tipped over after it was inadvertently run up on the curb. This one was classified a near miss and is being investigated.

These are some of the potentially serious incidents which have occurred recently. No one has been hurt - yet. However, with the exception of the fork truck accident, every one of these incidents could have been prevented by paying attention to the safety details of your job, following standard procedures or at least asking questions of your Foreman when in doubt. I realize that many of you are relatively inexperienced in Paste operations, but that is just all the more reason for you to stop, think carefully, check the standard procedure, or ask a question before proceeding with an operation in which you are unsure. And, of course, there is no excuse for inattention to safety details under any circumstances. You are responsible for your own safety, and when you work with others, you must also be concerned with them. Please resolve now not to allow yourself to become involved in any more situations like the ones listed above. In the end, it's up to you to work safely.


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PVC WORK SCHEDULE

W/E - 2/9/75

	O.C.	A	B	C	D
LO	312	Atwell	Riverin	Williams ✓	Crafts
EKO	231	P Robinson ✓	OK Brodowski	P Burt ✓	Lemoine
EKO	231	OK Pugh	OK St. Laurent	OK Garner ✓	Frazier
EKO	231	POK Simmons	OK Strycharz	POK Dean ✓	Taylor, C. <i>Steward</i>
EPA	334	C. Johnson	Deslongchamp	Conde	Bushey-VAC
EPO	322	Miller	Ducharme	Lambert ✓	Guyette
SDO	524	Dansereau	Arndt	McIntosh	Casey
BO	018	Beaudet VAC.	Cox	Ruell	O'Connor
BO	018	Woodburn	Dixon	Schirch	G. Johnson-T Natario-LOA

	DAYS	
MPE	298	Haley
PSA	230	Sousa
EPA	334	Flak

Lazarz - Report to 15 Bldg. Basement - Monday 8:00 A.M.

C. Johnson - Report to A-Crew Monday as an EPA

McIntosh - Report to C-Crew Monday as a SDO

G. Johnson - Report to D-Crew Monday as a BO Pending Job bid.

Robinson
Pugh
St Laurent
(Frazier)

Brodowski
Burt
Strycharz

Frazier (St Laurent)
Garner
Dean

Lemoine
Simmons
Taylor

OK

Pugh (A)
Brodowski (B)
St Laurent (B)
Strycharz (B)
Lemoine (D)
Frazier (D)
Taylor (D)
Miller (A)
Guyette (D)
Riverin (B)
Crafts (D)

Probably OK

Simmons (A)
Dean (C)
Garner (C)
Ducharme (B)
Atwell (A)
Williams (C)

Problems

Robinson (A)
Burt (C)
Lambert (C)

ABCD

LO Atwell Riverin Williams(s) Crafts

EKO (OK) St Laurent (OK) Brodowski(s) (OK) Lemoine (OK) Taylor(s)

EKO (OK) Pugh (OK) Strycharz (POK) Dean (OK) Frazier

EKO (P) Robinson (P) Burt (POK) Garner (POK) Simmons

EPO (OK) Miller (POK) Ducharme (OK) Guyette (P) Lambert

EKO

St Laurent B → A
Burt C → B
Lemoine D → C
Simmons A → D

EPO

Guyette D → C
Lambert C → D