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INTER-COMPANY AND INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

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SUBJECT:

Please find attached a pamphlet provided by OSHA entitled "Target Health Hazards, Asbestos: Airborne Danger".

This article clearly identifies the asbestos problem as one of the most hazardous of air contaminants in the work place. The sum and substance of the article re-emphasizes the criticalness of Fosco's endeavors for an asbestos free manufacturing environment in the very near future. Additionally highlighted is the mandatory requirement for immediate institution of engineering controls and supervisory administrative measures.

Engineering controls and supervisory administrative measures include but are not limited to:

Engineering Controls:

1. Atmospheric concentration of asbestos fibers to be less than a threshold limit value of five fibers clearer than five microns in length per milliliter.
2. Technical monitoring of present air quality through the plant (Levels of concentration of hazardous airborne contaminants.).
3. Exhaust ventilation vents.
4. Dust collectors.
5. Enclosures.
6. Vacuum sweeping.
7. Asbestos waste disposal.

Supervisor Administration Measures:

1. Personal protective devices.
2. Constant work force supervision to insure that all necessary safety procedures are followed. Corrective remedial action must be taken wherever indicated.

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3. Respirators.
4. Good housekeeping.
5. Safe and sound manufacturing operating procedures.
6. Periodic maintenance and engineering inspections of the equipment.
7. Medical surveillance.

The onus is on the company for abatement and total compliance. Clearly, close coordination and consolidation of efforts between engineering, manufacturing, and maintenance personnel is the key to obtaining required compliance.

Remember, by statute law, liability for accomplishment of compliance rests squarely on the shoulders of those who hold direct manufacturing operational responsibility.

It is strongly recommended that you review the major elements of this topic with your key manufacturing and engineering personnel.

Please let us know if this department can provide any additional information or assistance.

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