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August 7, 1963

Mr. Charles Mallory, Works Manager
American Brakeblok Division
American Brake Shoe Company
Winchester, Virginia

Re: ACCIDENT PREVENTION VISIT - JULY 25, 1963

Dear Mr. Mallory:

Mr. Stan Roberts, Loss Prevention Manager, and I reviewed the following Accident Control measures with Mr. W. H. Baker, Safety Director during our recent visit.

SAFETY SAMPLING

Mr. W. H. Baker pointed out that Safety Sampling is conducted monthly in each of the departments in your plant. Each foreman checks the working practices of each employee and each operation in completing the Safety Sampling of his area of supervision. As a result of this procedure, the foreman is able to pick out accident exposures and unsafe practices. Preventive measures are then to be initiated.

INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Baker indicated that the installation of exhaust equipment is scheduled for the Brook Press - Preform area within the next thirty to sixty days. This additional equipment should minimize the asbestos exposure in this area of your plant.

ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION - BLOK PRESS DEPARTMENT

Mr. Baker, Mr. Roberts, and I investigated the circumstances involved in the 5/15/63 accident to Mr. Walter D. Bowen in the Blok Press Department. Mr. Baker pointed out that the accident was produced when Mr. Bowen stepped on the stripper treadle and caught his finger between the stripper and the upper plate as the die was being stripped. The die has since been guarded to prevent this type of accident from occurring again in the future.

Following our discussion on the above matters, an accident prevention survey was conducted in the plant. The result of this survey was discussed with Mr. Baker, including several minor recommendations.

The most serious accident exposure noted is discussed on the attached Recommendation Sheet.

Very truly yours,

Lee E. Gaskins

Lee O. Gaskins
Safety Engineer

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cc: Mr. W. H. Baker, Safety Director
Mr. D. K. Rennie, Vice President
Mr. G. A. Riley, Eastern District Safety Supervisor