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METALS DIVISION

TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT - PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

TRIP TO: Valier, Illinois

DATE: January 6, 1983

BY: F. L. Smith, Jr.

PURPOSE OF TRIP: Customer service dust counts for Michael-Walters Industries

DISCUSSION

Airborne asbestos emission samples were collected at Michael-Walters production facility during the manufacture of "Stoppit", a stopping wall sealant. Further, a monitoring was conducted in a coal mine in West Frankfort, Ill. to determine if any asbestos was being released from the compound into the underground environment. These samples will be evaluated and sent to "Calidria" Sales, UCC Metals, for distribution to the customers.

This monitoring was conducted side-by-side with Clayton Environmental Consultants retained by Michael-Walters. David Hands, Senior Industrial Hygienist, was their representative.

Broken bags were noticed on some pallets and it was learned that during unloading the door of the rail car rips the pallets stacked against it. We provide dunnage but load from the right in King City, while the customer unloads from the opposite side in Valier and opens the door where the material is. The plant will be notified and we will attempt to rectify the problem and reduce the loss of product and potential asbestos exposure.


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