

COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT MEETING

May 13, 1974

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Twelve #684 rings were tested at J & L-Aliquippa. No leakers were reported, and no problems were encountered during stripping. D. J. Anderson is returning this week to work on recipe modifications. Equipment is necessary to produce material on a larger scale, with a Hobart-type mixer #1 priority.

Asbestos-Free Recipes

More E.P. 5492 #470 rings have been produced for testing at J & L-Pittsburgh, and they appear to be softer than on previous occasions. #386 injection tool is scheduled for testing May 22. Remainder of asbestos-free test schedule is listed in G. H. FitzGerald's minutes of special asbestos-free meeting of May 6.

E.P. 5298 tested well on Sharon #454, and pending reports from the field is to be recommended as standard recipe.

E.P. 5465A #572 for Republic-Warren was run last week and the Technical Department reports that slurries were correctly made. Amitec results are awaited.

Capital appropriation requests are now being modified by John Wilton prior to resubmission for approval.

The group feels that sticking problems associated with various A.F. recipes would be reduced by steam cleaning tools and screens at least once a week. Also, a return to machine oscillation might help to maintain consistent product thickness.

Raw Materials

This is the latest information regarding RM X3579:

<u>Sample</u>	<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Availability</u>
M5582	Celanese	Approved	Not Available
M5583	Celanese	To be retested in production	Available
M5585	Celanese	Approved	Not Available
M5586	Celanese	To be production tested ASAP	Available
M5593	Allied Chemical	Approved	Not Available
M5594	Allied Chemical	Approved	Available
M5596	National Starch	Approved	Available
M5597	National Starch	Approved	Available

We may run out before next delivery and be forced to RM 177A/X3578 combination.

E.P. 5499 Ferrux

Test status to date:

Bethlehem-Burns Harbor - Initial test successful and further order received.

Copperweld - Tested last week. Results awaited.

Inland - Agreed to test. Date to be finalized.

J & L-Pittsburgh - 25 lb. tested against 35 lb. Thermocel on 31 x 33 ingot produced better feed, last week.

Laclede - Initial test successful. Further order awaited.

Republic-Canton - Small sample Amitec approved. Production testing awaited.

H. D. Shephard to send a memo to sales force urging them to push this product hard and follow up tests stringently.

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