

J-M Manufacturing Company, Inc.

Internal Correspondence

To E. D. Reynolds

Date March 25, 1985

From E. E. Wang

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Subject NAN YA HEATER BANDS
PERMA-LOC DIES
(in response to B. Moon's memo dated 3-14-85)



As indicated in Mr. B. Moon's memo, the Perma-Loc Dies with Nan Ya Heater Bands contain a large amount of asbestos (about 1" thick) between the Heater Band itself and the Band Covers. And it is NOT sealed in anyway.

I have visually inspected a Heater Band made by Nan Ya here at the Stockton Plant. I found the asbestos-containing material was exposed to the open atmosphere. It appears to me that the asbestos fibers are not firmly bound together either. It can be crumbled in the hand. If this friable asbestos-containing material is subject to pressure, vibration, abrasion, damage, or wear, it can release asbestos fibers which can be inhaled by workers.

The U.S. EPA believes that any exposure to asbestos involves some increase of risk. Moreover, no safe level of exposure or "threshold" level has ever been established. To stay on the safe side and to avoid unnecessary future legal litigations, it is strongly suggested that the asbestos-containing material be completely sealed/encased or replaced by some other insulating materials.

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To Dean Reynolds

Very for your info
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From Bill Moon

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cc: Joe Chen, H/c

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Sub: NAN ya Heater Bands
PERMA-loc Dies

Stockton, FRANKLIN & DENISON have all
received PERMA-loc Dies with NAN ya Heater
Bands. These Bands are constructed with
A very large amount of Asbestos between
the Heater Band itself and the Band covers
Approx 1" thick layers. This material is
not sealed in anyway for containment.

With the current Asbestos Problems

& OSHA Regulations restricting the handling

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of this material I would highly recommend
that we consider either not purchasing
these Bands from NAN YA or Redesign with
some type Containment device.

Your Prompt Attention to this problem
would be appreciated. Inattention to this
matter may bring others into the picture
that might not be desirable to the
Company.

I would also suggest All of the present
Welder Bands now in use with Exposed Asbestos

Be Replaced A.S.A.P.

↳ made by "Nan Ya"?
yes