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cc:
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O.S.H.A. Standards Pipe Division
On Jobs and at Customer Locations

Ed, this will confirm our conversation of Tuesday, March 7 regarding our desire to have the Environmental Control Department run tests on jobs and at 2 customer locations on the dust levels generated when Transite pipe is cut, tapped and machined.

From our discussions, we felt that job simulated conditions could be established at the Manville location, and thus we proceeded to establish with Bob Anderson and V. Pacifico to undertake of cutting, machining and tapping various kinds of Transite pipe with all of the known tools available so that your people could make measurements as requested. These job simulated conditions and the tests were to be commenced on Wednesday, March 8 and to continue until you had sufficient data to give us an opinion.

We have contacted 2 of our customers; McArthur Company and Byrne & West who are fabricators of fittings and at whose location we desire to have some measurements made. We have discussed this matter with both customers and they are enthusiastic about our desire to coordinate with them in running these tests so that they might know the proper practices to follow so as to continue their operation within the standards.

The customers' address and telephone number and who to contact are:

Wm. Brown - McArther Company
936 Raymond St., St. Paul, Minn. 55114
(612) 646-2773

Steve Byrne, Emile Priebracha — Byrne & West
37 Porogress St., Union, N.J.
(201) 687-9465

These gentlemen are expecting to receive a call from you or a member of your dept. to establish a date and time when these measurements can be made. It is our agreement that the Pipe Division will pay for these tests.

We sincerely appreciate your interest in this matter of determining the level of dust that might occur on a job when Transite pipe is machined, cut or tapped and in the conditions that exist at 2 of our important customer fabricator locations. We await the results of your measurements and your advice of what these results mean, and your recommendations on the steps we should take next.

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