PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT

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MINUTES of the General Meeting of the Asbestos Textile Institute held December 11, 1952 at the Warwick Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa.

IN ATTENDANCE:

D. W. Widmayer, President
KEASBEY & MATTISON CO.

AMERICAN ASBESTOS TEXTILE CORP.
A. J. Scanlan
J. W. Weber

ASBESTOS CORPORATION, LTD.
J. A. Marcotte

ASTEN-HILL MFG. CO.
D. R. Holmes
J. G. Schoepf

JOHNS-MANVILLE CORP.
S. V. Dillon
J. L. Tucker

KEASBEY & MATTISON CO.
C. R. Frederick
A. E. Whitfield

RAYBESTOS-MANHATTAN, INC.
J. A. Bettes
J. A. Brown
G. H. Marshall
J. M. Weaver

SOUTHERN ASBESTOS CO.
G. S. Fabel
G. J. Harris

UNION ASBESTOS & RUBBER CO.
A. R. Byrnes
R. E. Cryor
A. W. Summers
S. Gass

CADWALADER, WICKERSHAM & TAFT
H. I. Ruddock

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
H. C. Shaw

1. The meeting was called to order by President Widmayer with an address of welcome to all members present.

2. The first order of business called for the reading of the Minutes of the General Meeting held on October 10, 1952, however, since these Minutes had been previously distributed to all members, it was moved by G. S. Fabel, seconded by R. E. Cryor and unanimously agreed that the reading be omitted and the Minutes be approved as in the form distributed.

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3. The Treasurer's Report was presented by Treasurer A. J. Scanlan. (Copy attached). Following the consideration of this report, it was moved by J. A. Bettes, seconded by G. S. Fabel and unanimously agreed that the report be accepted and entered as a part of the minutes of this meeting.

A second report presented by the Treasurer concerned the budget for 1953. President Widmayer, during the quarter just passed, appointed Mr. Scanlan to serve on the budget committee with Mr. G. S. Fabel and Mr. J. G. Schoepf, with Mr. Scanlan serving as Chairman.

The budget committee met on November 11, 1952 in the offices of Mr. J. G. Schoepf and the budget provisions resulting from that meeting were submitted to the Board of Governors at the meeting held December 10, 1952. After consideration at this latter meeting the following budget for 1953 was recommended for submission to the General meeting for approval.

General Fund	
Secretary's Salary	$ 3,045.00
Secretary's Travel	300.00
Office Expense	800.00
Legal Expense	2,000.00
Legal Travel	100.00
Auditing Expense	250.00
Meeting Expense	1,200.00
Visual Aid Expense	600.00
Incidental Expense	230.00
	8,525.00
Fellowship Fund	
Fellowship Renewal	11,475.00
" Assistant	500.00
Publicity Fund	
Handbook Publication Expense	3,500.00
	$ 24,000.00

Following the discussion regarding the proposed budget for

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1953, it was moved by R. E. Cryor, seconded by G. S. Fabel and unanimously agreed that the budget be approved.

In further consideration of the budget, with particular reference to the item "Fellowship Renewal", it was unanimously agreed that this expenditure should be reviewed in an effort to ascertain whether or not 1) any reduction in expense can be made or 2) it might be possible to obtain further benefits with the same expenditure under conditions other than those now prevailing. To study this problem in order that a report may be given at the next meeting, the President appointed the following committee: Mr. G. J. Harris, Mr. J. L. Tucker and Mr. H. C. Shaw.

4. The Secretary's Report was read by H. C. Shaw and a copy is attached as a part of these minutes. Included in this report were the proposed meeting dates for 1953 and a discussion of this calendar indicated unanimous approval of the general program.

5. Legal Counsel, H. I. Ruddock, addressed the meeting and reviewed the various O.P.S. regulations which were or might be applicable to this industry or to any company in it which was being injured by the greatly increased cost of imported asbestos fibre. He pointed out that O.P.S. could not act under the Industry Earnings Standard unless an industry presented the necessary cost and project information to it, and that O.P.S. could not act in the case of an individual company under GOR 29 unless that company presented the necessary information.

6. The first committee report covered the activities of the Air Hygiene Committee. Mr. Luttenberger, Chairman of this Committee

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was not present at this meeting and since the committee did not meet during the past quarter, no formal report was made. Mr. D. R. Holmes, Aston-Hill Mfg. Co., a member of this committee, spoke briefly in reference to his own work in connection with dust control.

7. The Sales Promotion Committee report was presented by Mr. G. J. Harris, Chairman of that Committee. Mr. Harris reviewed the work in which this committee engaged during the session held on Dec. 10th. On this occasion the asbestos textile handbook was given prime consideration and Mr. Howard Dain who had previously been selected to serve as editor-in-chief for the publication was in attendance. Much of the material to be included in this handbook has been assembled and is now being edited for the copy. Mr. Harris has obtained permission to insert the asbestos textile section of A.S.T.M. in this publication. Mr. J. L. Weaver has furnished the committee with a section pertaining to fundamental considerations of the asbestiform minerals. Much technical information is being taken from the comprehensive report submitted by J. L. Tucker. Mr. S. V. Dillon has offered the assistance of the advertising group of Johns-Manville Corp. in developing a suitable cover for the publication.

It is now planned to have the first draft nearly completed by the time the next General Meeting is held.

In the discussion covering this work, the question was raised regarding the method of distribution which will be applied in circulating the finished handbook. There are some who feel that

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circulation should be made at no cost to the recipients while others believe that a reasonable price should be charged for each book. There was no attempt made, at this time, to resolve this problem since there appeared to be a rather wide divergence of opinion. The President, therefore, directed the Sales Promotion Committee to consider this question before the next General Meeting and prepare specific recommendations in this regard for presentation and consideration at that meeting.

8. The Technical Committee report was presented by Chairman J. L. Tucker. (copy attached). In consideration of the section of this report wherein the Fellowship projects are discussed there was some discussion relative to the pursuance of certain investigations by the Fellow. Following this discussion, it was unanimously agreed that 1) the Fellow should not engage in fundamental studies of asbestiform minerals and 2) the study to determine the significance of iron in chrysotile asbestos, in cooperation with A.S.T.M., D-13, A-4, be continued as an active project.

The Technical Committee will meet prior to the next General Meeting for the purpose of reviewing the Fellowship work for the coming year.

9. The Fiber Procurement Committee Chairman, G. S. Fabel, reported no activity during the quarter just passed, and asked Mr. J. A. Marcotte to speak regarding the fiber supply situation in Canada. Mr. Marcotte spoke briefly and advised that progress is being made in expanding the Canadian mining operations, however, noticeable improvements will probably not be apparent until the latter part of 1953.

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10. The Fellowship presented the Fellowship report #23 and discussed the significance of the information there set forth.

11. The final matter of business to come before the meeting concerned the appointment of committee members and chairmen. The following appointments were made.

Air Hygiene Committee

H. M. Jackson--Johns-Manville Corp., Chairman
J. W. Weber--American Asbestos Textile Corp. (1st active)
E. C. Cutler--American Asbestos Textile Corp.(2nd active)
D. R. Holmes--Aston-Hill Mfg. Co.
Thomas Schmidt--Keasbey & Mattison Co.
B. W. Luttenberger--Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.
J. D. Beatty--Southern Asbestos Co.
E. T. Johnson--Union Asbestos & Rubber Co.

Sales Promotion Committee

G. J. Harris--Southern Asbestos Co., Chairman
A. J. Scanlan--American Asbestos Textile Corp.
J. G. Schoepf--Aston-Hill Mfg. Co.
S. V. Dillon--Johns-Manville Corp.
A. E. Whitfield--Keasbey & Mattison Co.
J. A. Bettes--Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.
A. R. Byrnes--Union Asbestos & Rubber Co.

Technical Committee

J. L. Tucker--Johns-Manville Corp., Chairman
E. C. Cutler--American Asbestos Textile Corp.
D. V. Aston--Aston-Hill Mfg. Co.
C. R. Frederick--Keasbey & Mattison Co.
J. M. Weaver--Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.
J. D. McCluer--Southern Asbestos Co.
A. W. Summers--Union Asbestos & Rubber Co.

Fiber Procurement Committee

G. S. Fabel--Southern Asbestos Co., Chairman
A. J. Scanlan--American Asbestos Textile Corp.
J. G. Schoepf--Aston-Hill Mfg. Co.
G. W. Marshall--Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc.
R. E. Cryor--Union Asbestos & Rubber Co.

12. There being no further business to come before this session, it was moved by A. J. Scanlan, seconded by G. S. Fabel and unanimously agreed that the meeting be adjourned.

Cyril C. Shaw,
Secretary

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

During the quarter just passed your Secretary has carried out the following assignments in pursuance of the duties of the office.

1. On October 21 a meeting was held in New York with Mr. H. I. Ruddock and Mr. Caruso for the purpose of transferring the Institute's auditing work from Haskin & Sells to Mr. Caruso. The production audit for the third quarter was carried out by Mr. Caruso and it would appear that the transfer has been accomplished with a minimum amount of confusion and inconvenience.

2. On October 30, 1952, a visit was made, in the company of Mr. C. R. Frederick, to the Westinghouse Electric Corp., Pittsburgh, Pa. It was the purpose of this call to endeavor to conclude negotiations with that company in regard to the revision of certain conditions set forth in Westinghouse specification PDS-2060-M. A detailed report covering the results obtained are presented in the Fellowship report.

3. On November 11, 1952, the Secretary met with the budget committee in the office of Mr. J. G. Schoepf, Aston-Hill Mfg. Co., Philadelphia, Pa. The report covering this meeting will be given by Treasurer, A. J. Scanlan.

4. At the fourth quarterly meeting each year it is customary to offer for consideration the meeting schedule for the ensuing year. It has been previously agreed that all meetings are now to be held alternately in Philadelphia and New York, unless a special occasion warrants the holding of a meeting in some other location. Under these conditions, the following General Meeting schedule is offered for your consideration and approval.

1st quarter--Thursday, March 12, 1953 -- New York
2nd quarter--Thursday, June 11, 1953 -- Philadelphia
3rd quarter--Thursday, Sept. 10, 1953 --New York
4th quarter--Thursday, Dec. 10, 1953 --Philadelphia

It will be observed that all meetings have been scheduled for the second week of each third month. Our usual meeting dates, the last week of the respective months, conflict with important meeting dates of several of our members, necessitating this change. Also, the third quarterly meeting, scheduled for Sept. 10, 1953, is approximately one month in advance of the third quarterly meeting as held in the past few years. Opinions have been expressed to the effect that the 3rd and 4th quarterly meetings as now held are too close together, therefore, in this proposed schedule an effort has been made to overcome this situation.

Your consdieration and recommendations regarding the propôsed calender will be appreciated.

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5. As we draw to the close of another year, we would like to express our thanks to members of the Institute who have assisted us in carrying on the work in this office. The enthusiasm and vigor with which Mr. R. L. Cryor, past president of the Institute, carried on the work of his office during the past two years was, I am sure, as inspirational to the main body of the Institute as it was to the Secretary. An indication of the fruitfulness of his endeavors are reflected in several notable accomplishments, namely, 1) foreign memberships with an associate status were established in the Institute and five such memberships were obtained, 2) General meeting and Committee meeting attendance and participation showed marked increases, with the October 10th meeting in New York setting a new high in attendance with fifty members at the General meetings and twenty-five members at the several committee meetings held on October 9. I offer my personal thanks to Mr. Cryor for the leadership and assistance proffered this office.

We would also like to express our appreciation to Mr. J. L. Tucker and Mr. G. J. Harris for their help in carrying out the assignments for the Technical and Sales Promotion Committees respectively.

These committees have functioned faithfully and well during the past year and the results of their efforts, as set forth in the minutes of thier several meetings, serves to clearly indicate what can be accomplished through conscientious endeavor on the part of all concerned.

Finally, we would like to thank the many members who, though they may not be officers or committee chairmen, faithfully attend the meetings, actively engage in the deliberations and accept the many seemingly small tasks and assignments which are, however, the essential activities of the Institute.

The overall interest and cooperation of the Institute membership which we have received during our tenure of office as Secretary have been invaluable to the functioning of this office. We appreciate these attentions and trust that our performance in carrying out the assignments of the office have been sufficient and satisfactory to the extent that the continuation of this relationship is justified.

Respectfully submitted,

Myril C. Shaw,
Secretary

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