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Atmospheric Hygiene Studies
Your letter of May 8, 1958

I reviewed your subject letter and attachments and found the following conditions.

Station number 238 A was indicated as requiring control. This is a Card machine, samples of which were taken in October, 1957, virtually 7 months ago. Substantial changes have been made in the material preparations since that time. I suggest the samples are not representative and that additional samples be taken.

Station numbers 248 A and 249 A, of which samples were also taken in October, 1957, are on the operation of feeding fly into a floor intake duct. We realize that this situation is not a particularly good one and studies have been underway in General Engineering for some period of time to make equipment changes to eliminate this operation entirely. I believe you have been aware of this. The balance of the unsatisfactory stations were on "L" frame spinning operations. Here again, a study has been underway for some time by General Engineering to correct dust conditions in this operation. In addition, experiments have been made to pneumatically pickup the ends as they break, as well as to stop the spindles when an end breaks. You have been aware of this entire situation I believe.

Generally, with the exception of the Spinning Department, I believe conditions have improved considerably over the past year in the entire Textiles Department. We have reviewed with your department on numerous occasions the activity going on relative to dust control in this department.

It would be my suggestion that in reporting conditions of this kind that recommendations from the Safety Department be made as to how the correction might be accomplished.

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