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Answering letter date

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Subject Safety Visit, King City
April 11, 1977

PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT
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Dear Earl:

This will summarize our various discussions and my visit.

1. The audiogram procedure appears resolved. The clinic now has adequate equipment and will have its personnel certified in early June. We should get all of our people tested within a year to verify a valid baseline audiogram. Thereafter people exposed to -85 dBA should have audiograms at 3-year intervals and others annually unless HCNC requests more often.

2. I will contact Dr. Saccomanno and discuss a visit by him to King City to a) talk to employees regarding the overall program and b) discuss results and record keeping with the clinic doctors. We can also arrange a visit to his lab by our sample taken for training. By taking the samples in-house they can be campaigned and involve less time and expense.

3. It appears the best we can do regarding the question, "What if sputum results indicate a need to eliminate asbestos exposure?", is tell people we will try to arrange a transfer to some UCC operation in California.

4. Dr. Lane will provide a questionnaire to augment the FVC-FEV tests. Dr. Hyde indicated no problem in putting into service.

5. I will see Whittlesey re Peddie case. As soon as information is obtained regarding comp attorney or claims supervisor please let me know.

6. You are going to follow up on the status of GFI installation and problems in their use before the electircal inspection. Please let me know what you find out.

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7. The general condition of the mill was excellent. I have never seen housekeeping so good. Clean up of the south yard has really helped the area. The product storage looked very good. Dust control in the bagger was inpressive. The only items (minor) noted were:

   a) A top section of ladder without safety feet, in service by maintenance

   b) Temporary electric line and splicing at palletizer

   c) Eyewash at acetic acid area partly plugged.

Thanks again for your interest and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

E. A.Piersall

EAP/brs

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