

**ATTENTION: ACTIVE & RETIRED MEMBERS!**

**FROM: Joe Lewandowski, Business Manager/Secretary-Treasurer**

**SUBJECT: Asbestos Related Disease Screening**

**\*\*\*\*\* IMPORTANT HEALTH BULLETIN \*\*\*\*\***

**Please disregard this letter if you are already being represented by an attorney for an asbestos related disease or injury.**

**OCCUCARE** has been chosen by your **Boilermakers Local 83** to conduct an asbestos related disease screening for all eligible members and pensioners who have been exposed to asbestos while working in the trade. This program is important and very beneficial. The medical concerns about asbestos exposure have been well documented. As stated by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA):

OSHA is aware of no instance in which exposure to a toxic substance has more clearly demonstrated detrimental health effects on humans than has asbestos exposure.

Occupational Exposure to Asbestos, Tremolite, Anthophyllite, and Actinolite, 29 CFR Parts 1910 and 1925, June 20, 1986. **It is advisable for those members who tested negative two (2) or more years ago, to be re-tested at this time! THERE IS NO OUT OF POCKET EXPENSE FOR THIS TESTING AND IF YOU TEST POSITIVE YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO COMPENSATION.**

If you have been diagnosed with Mesothelioma, Lung Cancer, Colon Cancer, Laryngeal Cancer, Pharyngeal Cancer, Stomach Cancer or Esophageal Cancer your cancer may be related to previous exposure to asbestos. It is also very important for you to attend this testing and/or to call the below number.

The criteria for testing are individuals who:

- \* Have been occupationally exposed to asbestos in the trade, in the Navy or in some other trade or occupation prior to 1976; and**

\* **Have at least five (5) years occupational exposure to asbestos prior to 1982.**

**\*\*\* TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT CALL: 1-800-310-1107 \*\*\***

APPOINTMENTS WILL BE TAKEN AT THE TOLL FREE NUMBER LISTED ABOVE BETWEEN THE HOURS OF: 8:00AM - 5:00PM (Monday thru Friday - Central Time). THE TESTING(S) WILL TAKE PLACE AT **PIPEFITTERS UNION HALLS** ON THE FOLLOWING DATES AND AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATION(S):

<u>Location(s)/Union Hall</u>	<u>Date(s):</u>	<u>Times</u>
8600 Hillcrest Rd Kansas City, MO (Local 533)	August 5 <sup>th</sup> , 6 <sup>th</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM to 5:00 PM
1330 East 1st Street North, #115 Wichita, KS (Local 441)	August 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2015	8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

\*\*\*\* The dates listed above will probably be filled on a day by day basis, therefore, please call for an appointment as soon as possible. Additional days may be added if necessary. **CALL SOON** to insure you get an appointment!

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The test will include a chest x-ray. Results will be determined at the time of your exam. If you are positive for asbestos related disease, a pulmonologist, occupational physician or other qualified physician will give you a physical exam.

**Testing takes less than thirty (30) minutes of your time!**

There will be legal representatives present who practice extensively in the area of asbestos litigation against asbestos manufacturers, also available at this time.

If you no longer live in the area or are unable to attend this screening for any reason but are interested in being tested please call:

O'Shea and Reyes, LLC law firm  
888-674-3252 (toll free number)

His office may be able to assist you in getting tested near where you live or at a date and time that is more convenient for your schedule.

**YOUR UNION OFFICERS ARE ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN THIS PROGRAM. IT IS FOR YOUR BENEFIT AS WELL AS YOUR FAMILY'S.**

**Fraternally Yours,**