

AMERICAN SMELTING AND REFINING COMPANY

Tacoma Smelter

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MANAGER

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Dear Fellow Employee:

I am enclosing a copy of the Fall issue of the ASARCO NEWS which I am sure you and your family will find of interest, particularly the comments of Dr. Pecora with respect to protection of the environment and the article on Tacoma.

Through the combined efforts of Assistant Manager, Charles H. Randt and on the spot interviews with our employees on the job, Tacoma UHF Channel 56 was able to film a TV documentary which will bring the true facts of the Smelter's pollution control problems to the public.

Our appeal to the variance is now being considered by the Washington State Hearings Board and a decision should be forthcoming during November. We hope for a favorable decision which will enable us to proceed with the new liquid sulfur dioxide plant which will give us the capability of recovering over 50% of the sulfur in our plant.

Another article which may be of special interest to you as an Asarco family is on Page 12 regarding the Asarco Merit Scholarship Program.

Yours truly,



A. L. LABBE, MANAGER