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A YEAR FOR COMMITMENT

News analysts, government spokesmen and economists continue to issue mixed signals about the economy in 1983.

Some predict recovery, others say the economy will remain sluggish and unemployment high. In reality, no one can be sure what will happen. Uncontrollable world events add to the dimensions of the unknown. Our plant faces difficult challenges in overcapacity, conservative marketing forecasts, and increasing competitive pressures. In spite of this, I believe 1983 can be a successful year for the Brevard Plant.

Success is often achieved through a combination of factors-some identifiable, others obscure. In planning the direction our plant should take in 1983, two factors stand out. One relates to tools and equipment, the other to us, as individuals.

Rapid advances in technology make it essential that the plant have the most advanced equipment and technology, to increase productivity and further improve the quality of x-ray products. The recent action of the Executive Committee, authorizing the construction of a new coating and drying facility, is a major step toward keeping our plant competitive. This, added to the solutions area addition, the vault storage system, and major modifications to finishing area equipment, is a multi-million dollar corporate commitment to the future of the plant.

The company is doing its part.

But we are the company's most valuable asset, and our commitment, as employees, is the other part of the equation. 1983 will require the support of every person at the Brevard Plant. To sustain job security, adjusted production schedules and work assignments will be necessary. Training programs to upgrade employee skills, and programs to improve the organizational effectiveness of the entire plant must be implemented. Your commitment to all these efforts is vital.

I am confident that we will measure up to the task.

John Dolden

EEO Objectives Stated

It is the policy of the Brevard Plant not to discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age within statutory limits, race, religion, color, sex, handicap, national origin or ancestry

with respect to hiring, promotion, demotion, transfer, recruitment, termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation and selection for training, including the Apprenticeship Program.

Kangaroos Named

Seven more auto crash survivors have been received into the "Kangaroo Club".

The new members are Kingspride Hammond, D. C. Franklin, Charlie Poppe, Kent Peters and Claude Young. Co-op students Debbie Burgess and Tim Gorman were away at school when the certificates were presented, but are also eligible.

Kangaroo Club memberships are given to people who have been in auto accidents while wearing their seat belts.

Those who have had the experience are best qualified to speak on the value of belts, and a complete list of members in the Brevard Plant club is posted in the main corridor.

If you're not sure about seat belts, you may want to talk to someone who "lived to tell the tale."

Most Kangaroo Clubbers are very willing to tell anyone that "buckling up" is a first step in good drivingand the only way to ride.

1983 SAFETY PROGRAM: Let Safety "Bee" First!

This bee symbol will be appearing on signs, banners and posters all over the

The "Safety Bee" is part of the 1983 on-the-job safety program, with the theme: Let Safety "Bee" First in 1983.

The "Safety Bee" and the safety program committee urge all plant employees: do your part to make this year the safest ever at Brevard.

Look for this Safety Corner in coming issues of FOTOFAX. We will keep you posted on safety programs and concerns for the plant.

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