

# Fiber To Eliminate 363 Salaried Jobs

CHARLOTTE—Three hundred and sixty-three salaried staff employees will be terminated from Fiber Industries, Inc. facilities in the Carolinas by this December 31 due to further streamlining of polyester textile filament yarn operations and unsatisfactory business conditions. Plants at Shelby and Fayetteville and at Greenville, S.C., will terminate 113 employees—24, 34 and 55, respectively—as they are consolidated into a textile filament administrative/operations unit with headquarters at the Greenville plant. One hundred and thirty-four persons will be terminated in Charlotte, 89 at the Salisbury Plant, and 27 at the Darlington, S.C. Plant, primarily because of the economic recession but with some of the Charlotte personnel impacted by recent filament yarn actions.

In a related move, Celanese Fibers Marketing Co., which sells Fiber Industries' fibers and yarns, will reduce headcount by approximately 70 positions. The company will continue to be a full-service, branded fiber marketer. Terminated employees will receive separation allowances based on length of service, and including vacation pay, continuation of basic and major medical insurance for three months, and job-placement assistance.

Fiber Industries' President Dow Sellers of Charlotte says, "While regrettable, what we're doing is unavoidable because of depressed demand and a general negative economy. We have a long-standing commitment to the textile filament yarn business and the changes we've made strengthen that commitment for the long term."

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## Moss Dam Repair Bill \$440,000

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were constructed behind the water treatment plant and would serve as a warning device should there be a drastic rise in the water level.

"If we had a flood, it would wash out the dike before it went over the dam," Johnson said, "and would be the panic button for us to get out on the road and stop traffic and get people out of the area."

Johnson recalled August 11, 1971, when construction of the dam was underway and three days of rain pushed the water over the 60-foot level.

Emergency canals were cut to turn water away from the spillway, Johnson noted, but the water—which was rising at the rate of three feet per hour—turned and came over the dam.

"I saw water falling 40 feet and eating the rock and 50,000 yards of material away," Johnson said, "but the dam, which was only 30 to 40 feet long at that time, was holding the lake. Now you've got 850 feet of dam. No sir, the dam's not going anywhere. With the shape it's in now, I have no fears of immediate failure."

"The city had the capability of building the facility and certainly intends to have a maintenance program to keep it safe and productive," said Mayor John Henry Moss. "We're complying with the Dam Safety Rules and Regulations. It's just a plain good maintenance program and orderly improvements of our property."

The city commissioners several weeks ago authorized Moss to seek grant money to pay for the repairs. Should that money not be received, Moss said financing would be arranged and the repairs will probably be made in phases.

The project will be submitted for funding along with water improvements which have already been approved for several city streets. Total cost of the project including the streets will be \$545,735.

Clean Water, Farmers Home and Community Development Block Grant funds will be sought. Deadline for submitting CDBG applications is July 30.

Moss said he feels Kings Mountain's requests "will meet the necessary criteria" and funds will be received.

## Two Citizens Speak Out At Hearing

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quested the transfer because Cable Systems has merged with Jones Intercable.

\*Approved a resolution transferring a pole use agreement for cable television from Cable Systems Inc. to Jones Intercable Inc.

\*Received a petition for curb and guttering of Landing Street from South Sims Street to Phifer Road.

\*Approved posting no parking signs on the east side of South Watterson Street from the post office pickup box to the corner of King Street.

\*Approved calling a public hearing for input into a request by W.E. Reynolds to close the southern portion of Webb Street. The public hearing will be called in five weeks, Mayor Moss said.

## DISABLED MEETING

The Community Partnership Committee will hold its next scheduled meeting Monday, July 19, at 7 p.m. at the Depot Center. All interested disabled or handicapped persons and citizens are invited to attend.

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