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DATE: January 13, 1988

TO: L. E. Huber

FROM: W. C. Gannon

SUBJECT: RADIOACTIVE DUMP AT READING

<u>Historical:</u>

On March 15, 1968 Kawecki Chemical Company received a permit for burial of radioactive materials from the PA Department of Health. Our next NRC License SMB-920 dated October 24, 1972 under Item #10 authorized us to dispose of solid tin slag residues at the facility at Reading (per application letters dated March 10, 1967; September 25, 1968; October 31, 1968).

Our latest NRC License SMB-920 dated December 20, 1983 under Item #23C "A plan for the ultimate disposition of waste at Reading" Where we should investigate alternatives not limited to stabilization in place, removal and disposal at other sites "should be submitted". The final treatment of the subject is a letter from FTCoyle to Steve Wyngarden at USNRC on April 24, 1984 referring to Item #23C. "We feel it (the waste) is stabilized in place. Any effort to remove it would be disruptive to the environment." At Reading this past summer (1987) we found that rain water had eroded the area just where our material is buried. We have now completed repairs and installed a catch basin and drain system to route the water another way. This type of maintenance must continue under our license.

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