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Memorandum

TO : P. R. Nelson, Senior Radiation Specialist DATE: April 21, 1971

FROM : C. F. Stearns, Radiation Specialist (75)

SUBJECT: W. R. Grace & Company
Pompton Plains, New Jersey
License Number STA-422

In a telephone call to CO:I, on April 8, 1971, Richard Stone, Vice President, Special Products Division, stated that all production using licensed material has been discontinued at subject licensee's Davison Chemical division plant at Wayne, N.J. He further stated that a letter had been sent to the Commission, requesting that the license henceforth authorize only storage of the finished product. (See copy of letter, in the license folder, dated 4/6/71, from the licensee to DML.)

stone stated that no radioactive material will be possessed, except what might be contained in the finished product. He stated that the facilities where radioactive material had been used will not be abandoned; however, there will be no further use of the facilities for even non-radioactive purposes, except for the continued use of a sales office on an upper floor.

Stone stated that the only radioactive material used has been thorium. When asked by Stone how low contamination levels must be in an unrestricted area, Stearns suggested 1000 dpm/100cm as an unofficial value which should be a conservative criterion for an unrestricted area, since it has been used by the Commission as a guideline for abandonded facilities. Stone stated that levels might already be that low, as a result of cleaning operations which have already been carried out. He stated, however, that further cleaning and surveys will be performed, as required.

No further action by this office is recommended at this time.

