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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Thomas T. Martin, Director, Division of Engineering and

Technical Programs

FROM:

John D. Kinneman, Chief, Materials Radiological Protection

Section

SUBJECT:

MEETING WITH W. R. GRACE AND COMPANY REPRESENTATIVES

Representatives of NMSS and Region I met with representatives from the Davison Division of the W. R. Grace and Company on March 25, 1982 regarding the surveys we plan to have performed along the Sheffield Brook in Wayne, New Jersey. An attendance list is attached.

The W. R. Grace and Company representatives discussed their concerns about the content of press releases. They emphasized that radioactive material is potentially a very sensitive issue, and that they were concerned that careless statements might cause undue concern by the local residents. In addition, they were concerned that they had not been informed of the aerial survey and had not known a press release would be made.

NRC representatives stated that they had no intention of making alarmist statements and explained that the aerial survey had been handled by the EPA and State of New Jersey. The Region I policy of always informing licensees of press releases was clearly stated. NRC representatives stated they would pre are a letter to the individuals who own property along Sheffield Brook, and a written outline for the follow-up discussions with these individuals. They also agreed to furnish advance copies of these documents to the W. R. Grace representatives.

The NRC representatives and the W. R. Grace and Company representatives agreed that discussions about responsibility for remedial action were premature until the survey is completed, and the necessity for remedial action can be evaluated. NRC representatives stated that no enforcement actions were being considered against the W. R. Grace and Company regarding this facility.

John D. Kinneman, Chief, Materials Radiological Protection Section

Attachment: As Stated

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Attendance List

March 25, 1982 Meeting between NRC and W. R. Grace and Company, Davison Division

NRC - Region I

J. Joyner, Chief, Technical Inspection Branch

J. Kinneman, Chief, Materials Radiological Protection Section

M. Campbell, Radiation Specialist

NRC - ELD

R. Fonner, Attorney

NRC - NMSS

R. Page, Chief, Uranium Fuel Licensing Branch

W. Crow, Chief, Uranium Process Licensing Section

W. Nixon, License Reviewer

W. R. Grace and Co., Davison Division

J. Hardwicke, General Council

E. Heyman, General Manager, Advertising and Public Relations

B. Mobley, Manager, Environmental Control

R. Mace, Industrial Hygienist

T. Tongue, Consultant