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MEMORANDUM FOR: OI:RIII Case No. 3-88-003  
FROM: Eugene T. Pawlik, Director *Eugene T. Pawlik*  
Office of Investigations Field Office, Region III  
SUBJECT: MINNESOTA MINING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY (3M)  
(CASE NO. 3-88-003)

On Thursday, February 23, 1990, I personally contacted Assistant United States Attorney Michael Reap of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Missouri in St. Louis, Missouri. Our discussion centered on the desire of the NRC to pursue enforcement action against the 3M Company as a result of information developed during OI investigation 3-88-003. Mr. Reap had recently received the case file on this investigation from the U.S. Attorney's office in Minneapolis, Minnesota, which had declined to prosecute the matter in their judicial district.

Mr. Reap advised me that irrespective of whatever decision he may make on the prosecutive merit of the case, the NRC is free to pursue any and all civil administrative actions it may choose. Accordingly, this memorandum documents that in-so-far as the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Missouri is concerned, the NRC is free to immediately commence any civil action on the 3M case it deems appropriate.

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