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MEETING/TRIP REPORT

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LICENSEE: Whittaker Metals

DATE: November 1 and 2, 1983

PLACE: Greenville, Pennsylvania

ATTENDEES: NRC: D. Cool  
 J. McGinness

LICENSEE: E. Handwick Air Products  
 M. Bock Air Products  
 J. Terrill Environmental Impact Associates

PURPOSE: FAMILIARIZATION WITH WHITTAKER SITE IN GREENVILLE, PA

MEETING SUMMARY:

A meeting reviewing the past history and current status of the Whittaker Metals site in Greenville, Pennsylvania, was held with J. Terrill of Environmental Impact Associates (EIA, a consultant to Whittaker) and representatives of Air Products Inc., the present owners of the property.

Following the meeting, a tour of the site was conducted, including surveys of contaminated areas and the building recently cleaned by EIA.

J. Terrill and the Air Products representatives presented a tentative outline for future developments at the site. The proposal would include the consolidation of all of the contaminated materials into Area 38. This area is located adjacent to the Shenango River and is contaminated with thorium containing slag. The remaining areas of the property would be decontaminated in the process so that they could be released for unrestricted use. Area 38 would be deeded back to Whittaker for continued control under license. The advantages of the proposal as outlined would be the consolidation of waste presently located over a rather large area and the consequent availability of this property for development and use.

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The actions and criteria necessary for appropriate cleanup, and the requirements which might be placed on the interim disposal area were discussed. The HRC representatives noted that Area 38 could not be considered as a final disposal area at the present time. Further characterization of the environment as well as resolution of the definition and physical characteristics of the materials present at the site would be required prior to any decisions regarding permanent disposal.

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