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MEMORANDUM

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From: Mark Poindexter

Re: Jackson County Landfill Historical Summary

Based on my records the following is a historical summary of the related events leading up to the present situation at the Jackson County Landfill.

- October 6, 1995 letter from the Solid Waste Section (SWS) informing Jackson County (County) that they were delinquent in reporting baseline sampling information (4 independent samples for Appendix I list from all monitoring wells). Only one baseline sampling event had been received at this time. In addition, hydraulic conductivity, total and effective porosity, direction and rate of groundwater flow for each well, comparison of results to groundwater standards and statistical analysis of sample data had not been received either.
- February 7, 1996 letter from SWS again informing the County they were out of compliance for not performing the baseline sampling, and not reporting hydraulic conductivity, total and effective porosity, direction and rate of groundwater flow for each well, comparison of results to groundwater standards and statistical analysis of sample data. Baseline sampling was to be completed between Autumn of 1994 and April 1995. At the time of this letter the SWS had only received data from 2 sampling episodes. This data indicated the presence of contaminants in the groundwater.
- May 6, 1997, at Mr. Roger Barlett's (owner of Western Builders, Inc.) request, SWS personnel sample Western Builders, Inc. (WBI) supply well. Everything ND.
- July 18, 1996 letter from SWS to County again requests hydraulic conductivity, total and effective porosity, direction and rate of groundwater flow for each well, comparison of results to groundwater standards and statistical analysis of sample data.
- December 1, 1997 letter from SWS to County's consultant (McGill and Associates) requesting, among other things, clarification on the proximity of human and environmental receptors and which residences and businesses have public water. This information was either omitted or left vague in the transition plan.
- January 9, 1998 letter from SWS to County's consultant (McGill and Associates) again requesting clarification on the proximity of human and environmental receptors and which residences and businesses are supplied with public water.

- March 13, 1998 SWS letter informs the County that they should proceed with the self-implementing requirements of .1634 through .1637 since contamination has been confirmed at the site.
- May 22, 1998 letter from WBI to SWS requesting landfill groundwater data. The letter also stated that WBI had a supply well less than 300 feet from the landfill and they wanted "to do everything possible to protect our people and facility from any possible contamination."
- May 26, 1998 letter from SWS to WBI is a response to a telephone call from Mr. Roger Barlett. The letter states that according to the transition plan that the County submitted, all residences and businesses on that side of the landfill were on a public water supply. Attached to the letter was the most recent water quality data from the landfill.
- June 1, 1998 letter from SWS to WBI, list the constituents that are exceeding the 2L standards at the landfill, informs WBI that the County is proceeding with assessment monitoring.
- SWS received June 2, 1998, letter from WBI describing the construction of their supply well. WBI also had questions about the groundwater contaminants present at the landfill and what would the County be required to do.
- In its September 3, 1998 letter the SWS declines to grant an indefinite delay on the water quality assessment but did grant 60 days for the preparation of an assessment plan.
- November 6, 1998 the SWS receives water quality assessment phase I proposal.