

December 17, 1979

Mr. Don Willard, Sanitarian Supervisor
Mecklenburg County Environmental Health Department
1200 Blythe Boulevard
Charlotte, North Carolina 28203

Julie
Dear Mr. Willard:

I am presently recommending the assessment of an administrative penalty against Mrs. Bessie England, 10506 Coble Road, Mecklenburg County, for failure to comply with North Carolina Solid Waste Management Rules within a very reasonable period of time.

I would appreciate a progress report via letter to this office regarding the present conditions found at the site. When you or a representative from your office is in that area, please investigate the site and I will advise our office subsequent to your report.

Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,

C. Richard Doby, Sr.
District Sanitarian for Solid
and Hazardous Waste Management
169-B Rosehaven Court
Concord, NC 28025

CRD:ms

cc: Mr. C. W. Strickland
Mr. Julian M. Foscoe, III
Mrs. Bessie England

✓ Mecklenburg
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November 19, 1979

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Julian M. Foscue, III

FROM: C. Richard Doby, Sr.

Attached is copies of reports/letters regarding the Bessie England Tire Dump, Coble Road, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.

A final inspection was to be conducted about September 5, 1979, until Mrs. England called this office regarding the anticipated sale of her property in which the sales contract would stipulate a clean-up agreement between the two parties. There was a verbal agreement to wait until the sale was final to reinspect. This agreement was among Mrs. England, Mecklenburg County Environmental Health, and this office. Time has passed and no sales agreement has been reached. Many subsequent inspections are revealing no progress and a worsening situation with household waste being brought to the site.

We're getting no cooperation and request some advice and/or support. I thought you might want to review this and take a look at the site when you visit this area next.

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Attachment



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES
Division of Health Services

JAMES B. HUNT, JR.
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SECRETARY

HUGH H. TILSON, M.D.
DIRECTOR

P. O. Box 2091

Raleigh 27602

August 29, 1979

Mrs. Bessie England
10506 Coble Road
Charlotte, NC 28212

Dear Mrs. England:

This is to remind you that this office will conduct a final inspection of your disposal site on or about September 5, 1979, for proper closure.

We visited the site on August 20, 1979 to determine closure progress and noticed that some additional waste had been received. You are requested to immediately secure the entrance to disallow further disposal.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

C. Richard Doby, Sr.

C. Richard Doby, Sr., District Sanitarian
Solid & Hazardous Waste Management Program
169-B Rosehaven Court
Concord, NC 28205

CRD:ns

cc: Mr. Don Willard
Mr. Tom Bivens
Mr. O. W. Strickland

July 30, 1979

CERTIFIED MAIL

Mrs. Beessie England
10506 Coble Road
Charlotte, NC 28212

Dear Mrs. England:

This is to confirm our meeting of July 26, 1979, regarding waste disposal on your property at 10506 Coble Road, Charlotte, N.C.

You are to completely close the entire disposal site according to the "North Carolina Solid Waste Management Rules", Section .0113 (see enclosure). This will require the removal of all waste (tires) from the pond and the consolidation of all waste into the smallest area possible prior to covering and seeding. The minimum requirement for final cover is (2) two feet; however, five or six feet will be necessary to keep the excessive volume of tires from resurfacing. You should consult your Mecklenburg County Soil Conservationist for proper requirements for seeding, liming, and fertilizing.

As we agreed upon, a final inspection of the site will be conducted by this office during the first week of September, 1979.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

C. Richard Doby, Sr.
District Sanitarian
Solid & Hazardous Waste Management Program
Sanitary Engineering Section

CRD:ns
Enclosure

cc: Mr. John Gibson
Mr. Ralph DeYamper
Mr. O.W. Strickland
Mr. Don Willard
Mr. Tom Bivens

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES
DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES
SANITARY ENGINEERING SECTION

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION OR INSPECTION OF Tire Dump

Place visited Coble Road Tire Dump

Date July 26, 19 79

Address 10506 Coble Road, Mecklenburg County

Time spent 1 hour

By whom John Gibson, Don Willard, Ralph DeKemper, Mecklenburg County Dept. of Env. Health
C. Richard Doby, Sr., Division of Health Services

Persons contacted Mrs. Bessie England, Owner, 10506 Coble Road, Charlotte, NC 28212
(Owner, agent, tenant, manager, other)

Reason for visit Follow-up inspection

Copies to: Mrs. Bessie England, 10506 Coble Rd., Charlotte, NC 28212
Mr. John Gibson, Chemist; Mr. Don Willard, San. Supervisor; Mr. Ralph DeKemper, San.
Mecklenburg County Dept. of Environmental Health, 1200 Blythe Blvd., Charlotte,
N.C. 28203
Mr. O. W. Strickland

REPORT:

On July 26, 1979, a follow-up investigation of an unauthorized tire and solid waste dump was conducted by this office and the Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Health. Previous conferences and inspections of the site were conducted with Mr. Ira Ritch, contract hauler of the tires. Mr. Ritch was requested to cover the dump according to state standards and has failed to do so.

Subsequently, we met with the property owner, Mrs. Bessie England, of 10506 Coble Road. I explained to Mrs. England that since she allowed the disposal of discarded tires on her property, it would be her responsibility to close the site according to N.C. Solid Waste Management Rules, Section .0118.

We agreed that a final inspection for proper closure compliance would be conducted by the office during the 1st week of September, 1979.

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August 29, 1979

Mrs. Bessie England
10506 Cable Road
Charlotte, NC 28212

Dear Mrs. England:

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Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

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C. Richard Doby, Sr., District Sanitarian
Solid & Hazardous Waste Management Program
169-B Rosehaven Court
Concord, NC 28205

CRD:ns

cc: Mr. Don Willard
Mr. Tom Bivens
Mr. O. W. Strickland

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July 30, 1979

CERTIFIED MAIL

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10506 Coble Road
Charlotte, NC 28212

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

C. Richard Doby, Sr.
District Sanitarian
Solid & Hazardous Waste Management Program
Sanitary Engineering Section

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cc: Mr. John Gibson
Mr. Ralph DeKemper
Mr. O.W. Strickland
Mr. Don Willard
Mr. Tom Bivens

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES
DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES
SANITARY ENGINEERING SECTION

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C. Richard Doby, Sr., Division of Health Services
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(Owner, agent, tenant, manager, other)
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N.C. 28203
Mr. O. W. Strickland

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We agreed that a final inspection for proper closure compliance would be conducted by the office during the 1st week of September, 1979.

CRD:ns

February 12, 1979

Mr. Ira Ritch
612 Pecan Avenue
Charlotte, NC 28204

Dear Mr. Ritch,

The Mecklenburg County Environmental Health Department and this office will make a final inspection of the tire disposal site off Coble Road during the month of April 1979. All tires must be properly covered and the final cover seeded to prevent erosion, as required by North Carolina Solid Waste Management Rules.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

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Sincerely,

C. Richard Doby, Sr., District Sanitarian
169-B Rosehaven Court, Concord, NC 28205
Solid Waste & Vector Control Branch
Sanitary Engineering Section

CRD:jk

cc: Mr. Ralph DeKemper
Mr. Don Willard
Mr. John Gibson
Mr. Sam Rich
Mrs. Bessie England
O.W. Strickland

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November 15, 1978

Mr. Ira Ritch
612 Pecan Avenue
Charlotte, NC 28204

Dear Mr. Ritch:

This office will expect continual progress in burying the tires on the Bessie England property off Coble Road.

Another inspection will be conducted around December 1, 1978, by me and I am asking Mecklenburg County Environmental Health officials to make interim inspections for compliance.

If I can be of assistance in the meantime, please contact me in Concord at 788-4449.

Sincerely,

G. Richard Doby, Sr., District Sanitarian
169-B Rosehaven Court, Concord, NC 28205

GRD:bm

cc: Mr. Don Willard
Mr. John Gibson
Mr. Ralph DeKemper

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August 17, 1978

Mr. Ira Ritch
612 Pecan Avenue
Charlotte, NC 28204

Dear Mr. Ritch:

Upon receipt of this letter, you are advised that it is unlawful to dispose of tire carcasses at any site in North Carolina other than a sanitary landfill which has been approved by the Solid Waste and Vector Control Branch, Sanitary Engineering Section, North Carolina Department of Human Resources.

You are requested to immediately cease hauling tires to the Bessie England property on Coble Road, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

G. Richard Doby, Sr., District Sanitarian
405 Windsor Drive, Salisbury, NC 28144

GRD:bm
cc: Ms. Bessie England
Mr. Ralph DeKemper
Mr. Sam Rich

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October 16, 1978

Mr. Ira Ritch
612 Pecan Avenue
Charlotte, NC 28204

Dear Mr. Ritch:

Our inspection of the tire dump which you have operated on the Bessie England Property off Coble Road reveals little progress in burying the tires as we discussed on August 16, 1978.

As we agreed upon, all tires that have been dumped on the Bessie England Property must be properly compacted with clean compacted soil by no later than November 1, 1978. This is a reminder that complete compliance will be expected.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Yours truly,

C. Richard Doby, Sr.
District Sanitarian
405 Windsor Drive
Salisbury, NC 28144

CRDsr/wss

cc: Mr. Ralph DeKemper
Mr. Donald Willard
Mr. John C. Gibson
Mr. Sam C. Rich
Mrs. Bessie England

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August 21, 1978

Mr. Ira Ritch
612 Pecan Avenue
Charlotte, NC 28204

Dear Mr. Ritch:

Thank you for meeting with me and the Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Health officials on August 16, 1978, concerning the dumping of tires on the Mrs. Bessie England property off Coble Road.

As we agreed upon, all tires that have been dumped on the Bessie England property must be properly compacted and covered with clean compacted soil by no later than November 1, 1978. At that time, a final inspection will be conducted by this office and the Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Health. Complete compliance on covering, seeding, and erosion control will be expected and if compliance is not met by said date, I am recommending that this file be received by the N.C. Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General, for proper legal handling.

I strongly recommend that you excavate a trench in the draw, depending on the water table depth, and bury the tires in this manner. However, as we discussed initially, you may push the tires up into a more confined area as we discussed and then apply the demolition waste and top cover. I believe that you will be more successful, however, by burying the tires in a trench. If you decide to use a trench, please contact the Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Health so that the water table may be determined.

As I mentioned in my letter of August 17, 1978, you are requested to immediately cease hauling tires to the Bessie England property on Coble Road. If you continue hauling tires, they must be deposited in a state-approved sanitary landfill upon being sliced. Continual investigation and surveillance of closing the unauthorized site will be conducted by this office and Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Health.

In addition to our discussion at the site on August 16, 1978, you certainly should consider restitution of the site with strong support from those companies that you are hauling tires for. Officials of the Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Health indicate to me that all auto tire retread businesses

Mr. Ritch
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August 21, 1978

in Mecklenburg County have previously been made aware of the disposal laws and ordinances in North Carolina and Mecklenburg County. It is the opinion of this office that perhaps your customer(s) should share the responsibility of restoring this site and eliminating the severe health hazard that is now present.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

C. Richard Doby, Sr.
District Sanitarian
405 Windsor Drive
Salisbury, North Carolina 28144

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enclosure

cc: Mrs. Bessie England
Mr. Ralph Dekemper
Mr. Don Willard
Mr. Sam Rich
Mr. John Gibson
Mr. Mike Wilson

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August 17, 1978

Ms. Bessie England
10506 Coble Road
Charlotte, NC 28212

Dear Ms. England:

As was agreed upon on August 3, 1978, all tires that have been dumped on your property must be buried and covered with 5-10 feet of well compacted earth. Seeding must be accomplished upon final covering of the site.

You are requested by this letter not to accept any more tires on your property and that you notify Mr. Ira Ritch, 612 Pecan Avenue, Charlotte, North Carolina 28204 of this action.

A final inspection of your tire disposal site will be conducted by this office and the Mecklenburg County Environmental Health Department within a reasonable period of time.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

C. Richard Doby, Sr., District Sanitarian
405 Windsor Drive, Salisbury, NC 28144

CRD:bm
cc: Mr. Ralph DeKemper
Mr. Sam Rich

Correct address
Mrs. Bessie England
Rt. 1, Box 777
Cable Rd. NC 28212
Charlotte NC

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February 6, 1978

Mrs. Bessie England
SR #3100 at
Albemarle Road
Charlotte, North Carolina 28212

Dear Mrs. England:

Please be advised by this letter that it is unlawful to operate or to allow the disposal of solid waste on any property in the state of North Carolina without written approval of the Solid Waste and Vector Control Branch, North Carolina Department of Human Resources, Raleigh, North Carolina 27602.

The disposal of tires on your property just off SR #3100 is a serious threat to the health and safety to those living in your area due to the habitat for mosquito breeding provided by the tires, especially when they are not covered with earth.

It is requested that these tires be buried immediately and covered with 5 to 10 feet of clean earth, graded, and seeded. Please advise those individuals bringing tires to your property that the tires must be taken to a state-approved landfill and disposed of according to local ordinances. Please contact your local health department for disposal recommendations.

A final inspection will be conducted within 60 days.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation .

Yours truly,

C. Richard Doby, Sr.
District Sanitarian
405 Windsor Drive
Salisbury, North Carolina 28144

CRD/vss

cc: Mr. Marshall T. Edwards

O. L. Parker 399-3416
O. W. Gruebmeier Off. 596-3021
Hm. 542-9688

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES
DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES
SANITARY ENGINEERING SECTION

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION OR INSPECTION OF Unauthorized disposal site

Place visited Charlotte, N. C. Date November 8, 1979

Address Hubbard Road, Mecklenburg County, NC Time spent 4 hours

By whom John Gibson, Chemist, Meck. Co. Dept. of Env. Health DHS
Richard Doby, Sr. and Julian M. Foscue, III, Solid & Hazardous Waste Mgmt. Branch,

Persons contacted O. L. Parker, Parker Grading, Rt. 9, Box 411, Charlotte, NC 28208
O. W. Gruebmeier, Plant Engr. Celanese Plastics & Spec. Co., P. O. Box 30713
Surve (Owner, agent, tenant, manager, other) Charlotte, NC

Reason for visit As requested by John Gibson, Chemist, Meck. Co. Dept. Env. Health and as a result of illegal disposal of industrial waste.

Copies to: O. W. Strickland, Head, Solid & Hazardous Waste Management Branch, DHS
Julian M. Foscue, III, Western Program Supervisor for Solid & Hazardous Waste Management, 375 E. Allred St., Asheboro, NC 27203
John Gibson, Chemist, Meck. Co. Dept. Env. Health, 1200 Blythe Blvd., Charlotte, NC
O. L. Parker & Son Landscaping and Grading Co., Rt. 9, Box 411, Charlotte, NC 28208
REPORT: O. W. Gruebmeier, Plt. Engr. Celanese Plastics & Spec. Co., P.O. Box 30713, Charlotte, NC

On Wednesday evening, November 7, 1979, this office was notified by the Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Health regarding the illegal disposal of industrial sludge from Celanese Plastics and Specialty, Charlotte, N. C. as an unauthorized disposal site (active rubble site) on Hubbard Road, Mecklenburg County, NC.

On Thursday morning, Mr. Julian M. Foscue, III and I met with John Gibson, Chemist, Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Health; Mr. O. W. Gruebmeier, Plant Engineer, Celanese Corp.; and O. L. Parker, of O. L. Parker and Son Landscaping and Grading Co., of Charlotte, NC.

It was determined at this meeting that previous legally authorized arrangements had been made among the N. C. Division of Health Services, the Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Health, Celanese Corp. and O. L. Parker and Son Grading Co., to transport pre-treated industrial sludge from Celanese Corp. on Orr Road, Charlotte, NC, to the Old Monroe Road landfill, Charlotte, NC, for the purposeful assistance in park construction. It was also determined that Mr. Parker disregarded the purchase order and carried a significant volume of waste to an active rubble site on Hubbard Road, Mecklenburg County, NC, without approval from the North Carolina Division of Health Services and without notification to the Celanese Corp., Charlotte, NC.

It was at this a.m. meeting that official notification was given to Mr. O. L. Parker regarding his transportation and disposal of Celanese waste to an unauthorized disposal site and it was further agreed upon during this meeting that Mr. O. L. Parker would take full responsibility for the illegal transportation and disposal of all Celanese sludge waste discharged at the Hubbard Road Rubble Site. Mr. Parker also agreed to accept full responsibility in removing all Celanese waste from the Hubbard site and safely transport and discharge all Celanese waste at the authorized park development site (Old Monroe Road landfill) and notify the Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Health and the DHS by letter or telephone regarding the closure of the unauthorized site on Hubbard Road.

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION OF UNAUTHORIZED DISPOSAL SITE

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Mr. Parker was informed of Sections .0108 and .0118 of the "North Carolina Solid Waste Management Rules" and asked for immediate compliance. Mr. Parker was very cooperative and had initiated his compliance procedures prior to our a.m. meeting. Mr. Parker stated that he would continue to comply with our rules and notify our office upon complete compliance on Friday, November 9, 1979.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1979

On Friday, November 9, 1979, Mr. Parker called this office requesting a final inspection to be conducted during the p.m. At 2:30 p.m., November 9, 1979, a final inspection of the Hubbard Road site was made by Mr. John Gibson, Chemist, Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Health and it was determined that all waste had been removed and deposited at the Old Monroe Landfill and complete compliance had been reached by Mr. Parker. This was confirmed by telephone.

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November 6, 1979

CERTIFIED MAIL

Mrs. Virginia Farmer
8840 Sharonbrook Road
Charlotte, NC 28210

Dear Mrs. Farmer:

This office has been notified that an unauthorized disposal site exists on your property located at the intersection of Dixie River Road and Mt. Olive Church Road, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.

You are hereby requested to immediately cease acceptance of tires and any other discarded waste and to discourage unauthorized entry on to your property by providing fencing, ditching or any other device necessary to control dumping.

You are also required to close the site according to Section .0118 "Non-conforming Sites and Facilities" of "N. C. Solid Waste Rules" (see enclosure).

A final inspection for compliance will be conducted by this office and the Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Health during the week of November 12, 1979.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

C. Richard Doby, Sr.
District Sanitarian for Solid
and Hazardous Waste Management
169-B Rosehaven Court
Concord, NC 28025

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Enclosure

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cc: Mr. Don Willard
Mr. O. W. Strickland

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November 6, 1979

CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. Larry Shuster, Superintendent
Ralph Squires Corporation
6809 Orchard Ridge Drive
Charlotte, NC 28212

Dear Mr. Shuster:

Thank you for meeting with Mr. John Gibson and me regarding the disposal of construction waste in Heathergate Subdivision in Charlotte, North Carolina.

To confirm our conversation of Friday, November 2, 1979, it is a direct violation of North Carolina "Solid Waste Management Rules" to dispose of waste in any other manner than a permitted sanitary landfill or approved incinerator. No additional waste generated by the Ralph Squires Company is to be landfilled at any construction site effective November 2, 1979, with the exception of stumps and large limbs. It is further requested that all waste buried in trenches within 200 feet of wells be removed and carried to a sanitary landfill assuming that the waste has been buried adjacent to the watertable and assuming that the waste includes routine construction waste including cardboard, wood, particle board, wall board, shingles, paint cans and equipment, etc.

This office will make an official inspection of the disposal sites for compliance during the week of November 12, 1979.

If this office can be of additional assistance in this matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

C. Richard Doby, Sr.
District Sanitarian for Solid
and Hazardous Waste Management
169-B Rosehaven Court
Concord, NC 28025

CRD:ns
Enclosure *SW Rules*

cc: Mr. John C. Gibson
Mr. O. W. Strickland

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES
DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES
SANITARY ENGINEERING SECTION

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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION OR INSPECTION OF Ralph Squires' Heathergate Subdivision

Place visited Heathergate Subdivision, Charlotte, NC Date November 2, 1979

Address 6809 Orchard Ridge Drive, Charlotte, NC 28212 Time spent 4 hours

By whom John C. Gibson, Chemist, Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Health
C. Richard Doby, Sr., District Sanitarian for Solid & Hazardous Waste Management;

Persons contacted Peter Palalka, resident, Heathergate; Larry Shuster, Superintendent,
(Owner, agent, tenant, manager, other) Ralph Squires, Inc.

Reason for visit Complaint to Mecklenburg County Dept. of Env. Health by Peter Palalka,
Charlotte, NC

Copies to: John C. Gibson, Chemist, Meck. Co. Dept. Env. Health, 1200 Blythe Blvd., Charlotte, N
Peter Palalka, 7817 Davis Rd., Charlotte, NC 28212 - tel. (704) 545-4606
O. W. Strickland, Head, Solid & Hazardous Waste Management Branch

REPORT:

On November 2, 1979, I was asked to investigate the landfilling of construction waste at the Heathergate Subdivision, Charlotte, NC, by the Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Health.

My investigation revealed that a complaint regarding deep trench landfilling was made by Mr. Peter Palalka of 7817 Davis Road, Charlotte, NC. My conversation with Mr. Palalka indicates his concern with water contamination from waste being buried close by his well and other neighbors' wells. We subsequently visited the construction site behind his home and noticed that several trenches had been cut, filled and covered. One trench remains open and it appears that excavation had passed the water table considering the water level in the bottom of the trench and the gray soil below the red clay profile. It is estimated that the trench is approximately 150 feet from the Palalka well and may possibly pose a threat to the water quality of nearby wells.

Mr. Gibson and I later visited with Mr. Larry Shuster with the Ralph Squires Company, Inc., and discussed our investigation. We discussed the closing of the open trench and recommended removing waste buried near the wells. Mr. Shuster was requested to carry all additional waste to the nearest state approved sanitary landfill effective November 2, 1979.

A final inspection will be conducted during the week of November 12, 1979.

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February 6, 1978

Dr. Charles W. Robinson
1208 Belgrave Place
Charlotte, North Carolina 28203

Dear Dr. Robinson:

Please be advised by this letter that it is unlawful to allow the accumulation of garbage, refuse, and/or solid waste on your property without written approval to operate a sanitary landfill. Approval to operate a sanitary landfill is obtained only from the office of Solid Waste and Vector Control Branch, North Carolina Department of Human Resources, Raleigh, North Carolina 27602.

It is requested that immediate action be taken on burying all waste on your property on Tom Sadler Road with a cover of at least two feet of clean compacted earth, graded, and seeded. You may choose to remove all waste and carry it to a local state-approved sanitary landfill if you desire.

Please advise the local solid waste unit of the Mecklenburg County Environmental Health Department upon compliance with state rules at your earliest convenience.

A final inspection for compliance will be conducted by this office within 60 days.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Yours truly,

C. Richard Doby, Sr.
District Sanitarian
405 Windsor Drive
Salisbury, North Carolina 28144

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cc: Mr. Marshall T. Edwards

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February 6, 1978

Mr. Don Sherrill
Steel Fab, Incorporated
8623 Old Dowd Road
Post Office Box 27092
Charlotte, North Carolina 28208

Dear Mr. Sherrill:

Thank you for speaking with Mr. John Gibson and me on February 2, 1978, concerning the Hazardous Waste Survey.

Again, I would like to emphasize that all waste must be safely carried to a state-approved sanitary landfill. The nearest site for your use is on York Road or North Carolina Highway #49 just south of Charlotte. All previously dumped waste on your property must be buried with at least two feet final cover, graded, and seeded to prevent erosion. You may also choose to remove all waste and carry it to the landfill. Either must be done within 90 days at which time a final inspection for compliance will be conducted.

If I can be of further assistance, please contact me.

Yours truly,

C. Richard Doby, Sr.
District Sanitarian
405 Windsor Drive
Salisbury, North Carolina 28144

CRD/wss

cc: Mr. John Gibson

Mecklenburg
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September 6, 1977

Mr. Floyd Hansen, President
Hydro-Prints, Incorporated
201 South Hoskins Road
Charlotte, N. C. 28208

Dear Mr. Hansen:

I am informed by Mr. C. Richard Doby, Sr., District Sanitarian, that you are operating an open dump in violation of the Division of Health Services "Solid Waste Management Rules".

This office request your cooperation in closing this dump in accordance with Section .0123 of the "Solid Waste Management Rules", a copy of which is enclosed, on or before October 1, 1977.

Please notify this office if we can be of assistance and when the site is properly closed so final inspection can be made.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

O. W. Strickland, Supervisor
Solid Waste Management Unit
Solid Waste & Vector Control Branch
Sanitary Engineering Section

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Enclosure

cc: Mr. John C. Gibson
Mr. C. Richard Doby, Sr.

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January 18, 1977

Providence Acres, Inc.
c/o Bernhard Brothers
3600 FCB Plaza
Charlotte, NC 28280

Gentlemen:

On January 12, 1977, this office was notified that your company is operating a waste disposal site in the Providence Acres Subdivision off Providence Road just south of Charlotte, North Carolina. Several complaints have been issued to the Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Health by residents of Providence Acres concerning odors originating from the disposal site.

An investigation on January 12, 1977, revealed that extremely pungent odors were created by the production of H₂S (Hydrogen Sulfide) gas from decaying stumps, building materials, etc. A very significant volume (approximately 10 gallons/minute) of leachate was flowing out of the fill area into a drainage ditch carrying surface runoff to a nearby stream.

The described site operated by your company is in violation of the Division of Health Services' "Solid Waste Management Rules" and does not meet public health standards. Your disposal site is presently a severe threat to the ground and surface waters of the area as well as a nuisance to nearby residents who receive the gas odors from the fill.

Our investigation indicates the possibility of spring heads located under the back filled area of the dry pond. It is requested that your company take immediate action to locate the source of water infiltration in this site and divert it out of the fill area. All springs should be piped out of the fill and not be allowed to permeate the waste and form leachate. It is further requested that your company terminate using this area for a disposal site unless official approval is granted from the Solid Waste and Vector Control Branch of the Division of Health Services. The use of any site for disposal must be approved by this office.

As an alternative to operating your own disposal site for construction waste, other than stumps, you may wish to use one of the state approved landfills in Mecklenburg County. If you choose to operate your own site, approval by this office and the Mecklenburg County Department of Environmental Health will be necessary.

Providence Acres, Inc.

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January 18, 1977

Our on-site inspection of January 12, 1977, indicates that the dry pond is unsuitable for fill; however, if you wish to pursue the matter, it is requested that you submit a plot plan and cross-sectional drawings of the site in triplicate as required by the "Solid Waste Management Rules", Sections .0111-.0114, and send them to the Solid Waste and Vector Control Branch, Division of Health Services, Post Office Box 2091, Raleigh, North Carolina 27602.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation.

Yours truly,

C. Richard Doby, Sr., District Sanitarian
405 Windsor Drive, Salisbury, NC 28144

CRD:bm

Enclosure: "Solid Waste Management Rules"

March 30, 1977

Mr. Tom Bivens, Director
Mecklenburg County Department of
Environmental Health
1200 Blythe Boulevard
Charlotte, N. C. 28203

Dear Tom:

I was talking with John Gibson yesterday and he told me there was some misunderstanding concerning the approval of a landfill site for a private company in Mecklenburg County.

JR
In preparing our rules, we included under Section .0108 Site and Plan Approval, a request under (d) that any private agency that requested a landfill site approval must present a letter from the local authority stating that the site location was not in conflict with the zoning.

As for the specific site that is in question, I did advise the company to send the plans through your office as I felt that you would want to be aware of what was going on.

I am sorry about the misunderstanding as I was trying to keep you informed. If you will forward the plans to us with any comments you wish to make we will process them as we do other plans.

We will need the statement from the governmental agency having zoning authority.

Please come by to see us when you are in Raleigh.

Sincerely,

O. W. Strickland, Supervisor
Solid Waste Management Unit
Solid Waste & Vector Control Branch
Sanitary Engineering Section

OWS/tg

cc: Mr. C. Richard Doby, Sr.
Mr. John Gibson

Mecklenburg
J+R

May 19, 1975

Mr. George T. Swearingen
Duke Power Company
Charlotte
North Carolina 28202

Re: Clean-up near Ichard Dam

Dear Mr. Swearingen:

I want to compliment you and your company for cleaning up and blocking an access road to the company's property. I do hope this will please the complainants about this, as it did me.

I inspected this on Tuesday, May 13, 1975, and found you had done a good job.

Very truly yours

J. N. Fulp, Sr.
District Sanitarian

JNF/ct

cc: Mr. O. W. Strickland

bcc: J. N. Fulp, Sr.

5-16-75

MR. GEORGE T. SWEARINGEN
DUKE POWER COMPANY
CHARLOTTE, N.C. 28242

RE: CLEAN-UP NEAR ISHARD DAM

DEAR MR. SWEARINGEN:

I WANT TO COMPLEMENT YOU AND YOUR COMPANY
FOR CLEANING UP AND BLOCKING AN ACCESS ROAD TO THE
COMPANYS ^{PROPERTY} ~~ROAD~~. I DO HOPE THIS WILL PLEASE THE
COMPLAINANTS ABOUT THIS, AS IT DID ME.

I INSPECTED THIS ON TUESDAY MAY 13, 1975 AND
FOUND YOU HAD DONE A GOOD JOB.

VERY TRULY YOURS

J. N. FULP, SR
DISTRICT SANITARIAN

C.C. MR.

B.C. TO J

SANITARY ENGINEERING DIVISION
Office Memorandum

TO: O.W. STRICKLAND

FROM: J. FULP

DATE:

REMARKS



CALL	
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SEE ME	
COMPILE INFORMATION FOR MY REPLY	
FOR APPROVAL	
PREPARE REPLY FOR SIGNATURE OF	
FOR YOUR INFORMATION THEN FILES	

PLEASE HAVE THIS LTR.
TYPED, PROOF READ, SIGNED
& MAILED.

DUKE POWER COMPANY

GENERAL OFFICES

422 SOUTH CHURCH STREET

CHARLOTTE, N. C. 28201

P. O. BOX 2178

TELEPHONE: AREA 704
332-8521

Mecklenburg
JTK

May 2, 1975



Mr. O. W. Strickland
Supervisor
Solid Waste and Vector
Control Branch
N. C. Dept. of Human
Resources
P. O. Box 2091
Raleigh, N. C. 27602

Dear Bill:

The solid waste dump that was created by the local community people on Duke Power Company property across the river from Icard Dam has been covered and the roads blocked. We did this at considerable expense to the company and my department.

Please have your local representatives watch this area closely because I feel very strongly that a similar situation will occur in close proximity to this area shortly.

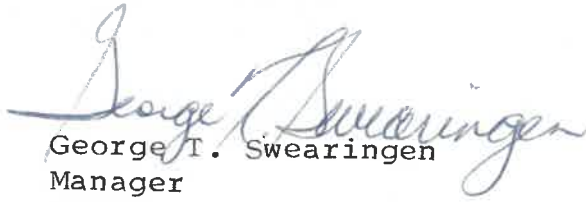
In the past 2-3 years I have seen much improvement in our service area in both N. C. and S. C. with the exceptions of Caldwell and Alexander Counties. We continue to have problems along the Catawba River in both of these counties.

We want to continue to cooperate with you and your people in your solid wastes program because you have made tremendous strides in the last few years. I wish there was some way to eliminate these isolated situations such as the one we just took care of, but community cleanliness and appearance must come from within and not from outside.

Mr. O. W. Strickland
Page 2
May 2, 1975

If we may be of assistance in the future on these situations, please let us know.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "George T. Swearingen". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

George T. Swearingen
Manager
Environmental Health

cc: Mr. J. N. Fulp, Sr.

Mecklenburg
JTR

December 19, 1974

Mr. George T. Swearingen
Duke Power Company
P. O. Box 2176
Charlotte, N. C. 28201

Dear George:

We are still getting some complaints concerning the dumping of solid waste in the Ikard Dam Community on Duke Power Company property. Jim tells me that you have cleaned this area of solid waste a number of times but people continue to dump.

It is our request that the area be cleaned again and if people continue to dump, I would recommend that G.S. 14-134.1 be used to seek relief.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation as always.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

O. W. Strickland, Supervisor
Solid Waste Management Unit
Solid Waste & Vector Control Branch
Sanitary Engineering Section

OWS/ct

cc: Mr. J. N. Fulp, Sr.

Mecklenburg
JHR

May 13, 1974

Mr. George T. Swearinger
McGuire Nuclear Station
P. O. Box 2178
Charlotte, N. C. 28201

Dear Mr. Swearinger:

The attached report has been prepared by Mr. C. Rick Doby,
District Sanitarian, following his inspection of the McGuire
Nuclear Station Disposal Site.

If this office can be of further assistance, please let us
know.

Sincerely,

O. W. Strickland, Supervisor
Solid Waste Management Unit
Solid Waste & Vector Control Branch
Sanitary Engineering Section

GWS/ct

cc: Mr. C. Rick Doby
Mr. Heath E. Howie
Mr. J. C. Rogers

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
SANITARY ENGINEERING DIVISION

RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

Duke Power Company

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION OR INSPECTION OF McGuire Nuclear Station Disposal Site

Place visited Duke Power Company, McGuire Nuclear Station Date May 7 19 74

Address McGuire Nuclear Station, Charlotte, N. C. 28201 Time spent Approx. 4 hrs.

By whom Mr. Heath B. Howie, R. S., Mecklenburg County Health Dept., Charlotte, N. C.
Mr. C. Rick Doby Sr., District Sanitarian, Division of Health Services

Persons contacted Mr. George T. Swearinger, Duke Power Co.
(Owner, agent, tenant, manager, other)

Reason for visit Routine Inspection

Copies to: Mr. Heath B. Howie, R. S., Mecklenburg County Health Department, 1200 Blythe Blvd.
Charlotte, N. C. 28203
Mr. J. C. Rogers, Project Manager, McGuire Nuclear Station, Construction Dept.,
Charlotte, N. C. 28201
Mr. George T. Swearinger, McGuire Nuclear Station, P. O. Box 2178, Charlotte,
N. C., 28201

REPORT:

On May 7, 1974, Mr. Heath B. Howie of the Mecklenburg County Health Department and I inspected the McGuire Nuclear Station Disposal Site.

Our inspection revealed that the site is receiving approximately three (3) to four (4) cu. yds. of canteen waste and routine kitchen waste per day from offices and from a labor camp at the power station. It is the writer's opinion that this putrescible waste will create a suitable habitat for fly and vector breeding this summer if covered only one time per week. It is recommended that all canteen, kitchen and paper waste be covered daily or be taken to an approved sanitary landfill immediately.

Scavengers were present on the site during our inspection. Access controls should limit to only authorized personnel of Duke Power Company.

A collection vehicle was seen transporting paper and other lightweight materials to the disposal site without the cover of a tarpaulin over the waste. It is recommended that all collection and transportation vehicles carrying garbage or refuse containing garbage be covered according to "Section V -- Collection and Transportation of Solid Waste" of "Rules and Regulations Providing Standards for Solid Waste Disposal."

CRD/ct

McKlenburg
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DUKE POWER COMPANY

P. O. BOX 2178

GENERAL OFFICES

TELEPHONE: AREA 704
374-4011

422 SOUTH CHURCH STREET

CHARLOTTE, N. C. 28201

May 31, 1972

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SANITARY ENGINEERING
DIVISION

Mr. Sidney H. Usry, Chief
Solid Waste and Vector Control
N. C. State Board of Health
P. O. Box 2091
Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Mr. Usry:

Duke Power Company will be in need of a sanitary landfill site close to McGuire Nuclear Station Construction Project in the near future. The majority of the waste will be construction material such as used lumber, old concrete forms, etc.

We have a site picked out for this landfill and look forward to going over it with you on June 7, 1972 around 11:00 A.M.

The project is on Highway 73 west out of Cornelius just before you cross the Catawba River at Cowans Ford Dam.

We appreciate your prompt consideration and look forward to seeing you Wednesday. I will meet you at the construction office.

Sincerely yours,

George T. Swearingen

George T. Swearingen
Manager
Environmental Health

cc: Mr. John C. Rogers

*Mr Perkins & Mr Strickland to meet Mr Swearingen
on Tuesday June 6, 1972*

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October 16, 1973

Mr. Jim Geer
420 D West Worthington Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina 28203

Re: Pollution Help Line Report 1455

Dear Mr. Geer:

The attached report has been prepared by Mr. C. Rick Doby, Sr., District Sanitarian, following his investigation of your complaint concerning the dumping of garbage, trash and debris near a stream at the end of West Worthington Street, Charlotte, North Carolina.

If this office can be of further assistance, please let us know.

Very truly yours,

Sidney H. Usry, Head
Solid Waste & Vector Control Branch
Sanitary Engineering Section

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Attachment

cc: Charlotte Community Improvement Department
Mr. Heath B. Howie
Mrs. Jackie Wall
Mr. C. Rick Doby, Sr.

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
SANITARY ENGINEERING DIVISION
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

**REPORT OF INVESTIGATION OR INSPECTION OF Solid Waste Disposal and Stream
Pollution**

Place visited Dead end of West Worthington Avenue Date October 10 19 73

Address Charlotte, N. C. 28203 Time spent 2 hours

By whom Mr. C. Rick Doby, Sr., District Sanitarian, Division of Health Services; and
Mr. Heath B. Howie, R.S., Mecklenburg County Health Department, Charlotte, N. C.
Persons contacted Mr. Jim Geer, 420 D West Worthington Avenue, Charlotte, N. C. 28203
(Owner, agent, tenant, manager, other)

Reason for visit Pollution Help Line Report 1455 -- Complainant: Mr. Jim Geer

Copies to: Mr. Jim Geer, 420 D West Worthington Avenue, Charlotte, N. C. 28203
Charlotte Community Improvement Department, 600 E. Trade Street, Charlotte, N. C.
Mr. Heath B. Howie, R.S., Mecklenburg County Health Department, 1200 Blythe
Boulevard, Charlotte, N. C. 28203
Mrs. Jackie Wall, Pollution Help Line, Office of Water & Air Resources, Raleigh,
N. C.

REPORT:

On October 10, 1973, Mr. Heath B. Howie and I investigated a promiscuous solid waste disposal site near an all weather stream at the end of West Worthington Street, Charlotte, North Carolina. Mr. Jim Geer, complainant, accompanied us during the investigation.

The following observations were made:

1. Most of the solid waste had been removed from the area. Very few bottles, cans, and boards remained. Mr. Geer was very satisfied by the effort that had been made by the Charlotte Community Improvement Department.
2. The stream flow was not obscured by solid waste; however, bottles, cans, and small debris was seen in the stream bottom. The stream was cloudy and appeared to be stagnant at the head. It also appeared that street drainage was being piped into the stream.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Dredging and cleaning the stream should prevent stagnation, odors, and potential mosquito breeding.

CRD:bm

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October 2, 1973

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Mr. Jim Gear
420 B West Worthington Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina 28203

Re: Pollution Help Line Report 1455

Dear Mr. Gear:

I am sending a copy of the above report to Mr. Julian M. Foscue, III, District Sanitarian, requesting that on his next visit to the Charlotte area that he investigate the conditions described. At the time of his visit he will contact you and discuss his recommendations in regard to the alleviation of the problem.

Very truly yours,

Sidney H. Usry, Head
Solid Waste & Vector Control Branch
Sanitary Engineering Section

SHJ:bm

cc: Mr. Julian M. Foscue, III
Mrs. Jackie Hall

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IN REPLYING REFER TO: NO. 1455

POLLUTION HELP LINE REPORT

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES

DATE: Sept. 24, 1973

TIME: _____ AM
PM

NAME OF CALLER: Mr. Jim Geer

ADDRESS: 420 D. West Worthington Ave.
Street P. O. Box

Charlotte, N. C. 28203
City Zip

TELEPHONE NUMBER: 334-3219

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SANITARY ENGINEERING SECTION

POINT OF POLLUTION: _____

SOURCE OF POLLUTION: _____

NATURE OF CALL: At the dead end of W. Worthington Ave, the area is being used as a dumping ground for garbage, trash and debris. There is a stream that flows through the property which is becoming polluted by this littering.

REPORT REFERRED TO: Mr. Marshall Staton, State Board of Health

IMMEDIATE ACTION TAKEN: _____

SIGNED Jackie Hall

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STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
SANITARY ENGINEERING DIVISION
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION OR INSPECTION OF Disposal Site

Place visited Charlotte, North Carolina

Date July 10,

Address Box 1547 Sugar Creek Road

Time spent 2 hrs.

By whom O. W. Strickland, Supervisor, Solid Waste Management, State Board of Health

Persons contacted Mr. J. C. Stikeleather, Jr.; Mr. H. B. Howie, R.S.
(Owner, agent, tenant, manager, other)

Reason for visit Telephone Request from Mr. George A. Brinkley

Copies to: Mr. George A. Brinkley, Adm., State Highway Commission, Raleigh
Mr. C. C. McBride, District Engineer, State Highway Commission, Albemarle
Mr. Tom Bivens, Director of Environmental Health, Mecklenburg County Health
Mr. J. C. Stikeleather, Jr., Box 1547, Sugar Creek Road, State Highway Commission
Charlotte

REPORT: Solid Waste from the State Highway Commission office on Sugar Creek Road, Charlotte, North Carolina is being placed in an abandoned rock quarry, located on the property. The quarry is partly filled with water. At the time of the inspection there was a small amount of household type solid waste present but primarily the waste observed was construction demolition and land clearance.

RECOMMENDATIONS: 1. The solid waste presently on the site should be placed and covered with earth. Surface of the water should be cleared of all floatage and this material should be placed and covered.

2. No solid waste be placed at the site except land clearance, stumps, and inert material such as concrete, blocks, earth, etc. The above stated solid waste must be free of other type solid waste.