Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP)

ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD

for Maywood, New Jersey



U.S. Department of Energy

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Job No. 14501, FUSRAP Project DOE Contract No. DE-AC05-910R21949 Code: 2570/WBS: 138

Maywood Board of Health Maywood Borough Hall 459 Maywood Avenue Maywood, New Jersey 07607

Attention: Ms. Mary Carton

Subject: Maywood Site - DeSaussure Property

Dear Mary:

As part of your request about the above referenced property I understand that you need a summary of prudent work routines in areas of suspected contamination, as Borough workers will be on the property in the near future. As you may know, the property in question has areas that are contaminated with the radionuclide thorium-232. This radionuclide presents a health hazard only if inhaled or ingested in large quantities. The following practices are recommended in order to reduce worker exposure and to minimize contaminant movement.

- 1) Workers should wear protective gloves and boots, which should be cleaned of soil residue before leaving the site. This can be accomplished by either cleaning with a brush or by rinsing with a small amount of water.
- 2) Any excavated material should be used as backfill on the site. No soil should leave the property without contacting the U.S. Department of Energy or Bechtel National, Inc.
- 3) To minimize soil movement by air, excavated material should be kept covered (by a plastic tarp, for example) or wetted to minimize dust during inactive periods.

DOE representatives will be happy to provide a brief (1-2 hour) training session containing an overview of the contaminant characteristics at the DeSaussure property and of any health hazards associated with the planned work. With enough notice a health physics technician can be provided to advise the construction crews on the most efficient ways to reduce their exposure while working in the contaminated areas.



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Please contact Stuart Price at the Department of Energy's Public Information Center in Maywood at (201) 843-7466 if you have any further questions or if you decide that the training session or technician would be useful. Or call me directly at (615) 576-6563.

Sincerely,

Wayne Scarbrough

New Jersey Project, FUSRAP

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