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FIELD LETTER OF JOHN A. BROWN AND R.C. COLLINS

A meeting was held in Hans Wessel's office to discuss the merits of the Woodbury Township dump site. The following people were present at the meeting:

Hans Wessel - Engineering Dept.
Art Boyden - Staff Manufacturing
Bob Anderson - Staff Lab Engineering
John A. Brown, Geology Dept.
R.C. Collins - Geology Dept.
Don McNeilly - Terminal Warehouse
Earl Ryan - Terminal Warehouse

The general purpose of this meeting was to discuss the geology and drilling program which was just completed on this proposed dump site. However, as the discussion progressed, Don McNeilly and Earl Ryan had other things of a more pertinent nature.

In December, of 1959, Terminal Warehouse bid on the contract for hauling the 3M waste material from the Twin City area. They were the low bidders and received the contract and actually started hauling the middle of March. Terminal Warehouse has not been in this type of service previously and have done everything possible to gear themselves accordingly. They had accepted the bid and will operate under the bid's proposal to fulfill the 3 year contract. However, they are looking for a long range program and would like to have this a permanent type of service. Therefore, they would like to have the contract rewritten making it more attractive to them and give them ~~xxx~~ more longevity to warrant the capital expensiture. Also, since they are a little short of working capital, they would like to have 3M Co. consider the possibility of purchasing the dump property and more or less back them in this venture. At the present time they are receiving approximately 100,000 to \$125,000 annually on this dumping contract. It seems as if

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Mr. McNeilly and Earl Ryan have been working with the 3M Legal Dept. to redraw a suitable contract but they have been having difficulty to locate the exact person within 3M Co. who has jurisdiction of this project. Since it dealt with transportation in general, Jim Day of the Traffic Department, had originated and been the contact man.

Hans Wessel stated that this project would be drawn together within our own company and that Fred Edlund, of Staff Manufacturing, would be the responsible person~~x~~ in charge.

Art Boyden suggested that in the matter of a new contract that Messrs. McNeilly and Ryan have their attorney draw up what they would consider a working agreement which they could live under, and submit it to 3M for study.

The geology of Woodbury township was discussed in general and we showed samples of the gravel and clay strata. The group was again warned of the problems of polluting the underground water and it was recommended that before this site is developed, observations wells into the St. Peter and Jordan formations should be drilled and tested and checked periodically. The original proposal was that there would be no burning of waste material. To preserve the life of this dump site, Earl Ryan felt that they would have liked to apply for a permit to establish an incinerator.

It was the general group opinion that ~~on~~ the back of Messrs. McNeilly and Ryan's mind, that they felt that this would be a new endeavor for Terminal Warehouse and if they can get proper zoning, etc., they could obtain similar type of services from other industries in the metropolitan area. 3M would be opposed to this type of operation and if it

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does become necessary that 3M will acquire the property through a dummy company, then a contract will be written which will meet the approval of all jointly within the 3M Co.

W Since the zoning and ordinances have not been approved as yet by the township, it would not warrant further study as to dump planning at this time. It was left that Terminal Warehouse would proceed with obtaining the necessary permits in their own name, submitting a contract for 3m's consideration on the long range proposal and then another meeting would be held to discuss setting up the dummy company or other finances which may seen necessary at that time.

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