

AIR
Emissions

Notes of a Phone Call

to L.S. Price
May 18, 1978

1. DPAT Report

I called him in response to a telex he sent WAM on May 18 (attached) concerning whether to release the DPAT draft report to DIND.

I indicated as far as I was concerned we could if there were no major changes to be made. Price mentioned that Scott was reluctant to leave in the cost estimates re the solidification and would prefer us to put in a statement to the fact that the costs were considered and found to be impractical. I suggested that possibly he shouldn't then release the report to DIND until the draft had been altered to incorporate this change. We agreed that he should contact Salloum on this to get his approval to delete the dollar figure before releasing it to DIND.

He also advised that a consultant had been hired by Environment Canada to take a look at the socio-economic aspects of the DPAT report. So far Scott hasn't made any reply to our letter refusing to do this study in the DPAT report itself.

2. Air Emission Meeting

I asked him what happened at the meeting on air emissions in Ottawa. He stated that the limit is being set at 17 micrograms per cubic meter and that he had hoped for something like 25 or 50. Dickenson was arguing for something higher as they cannot make the 17 even with their triple-baghouse. However, they have a problem there in temperature control as they are not cooling withoutside air.

He stated that we should document any objects we have within the next month. He will work on a draft for us. Campbell is pushing hard for 100. Their results so far are about the same as Giant except during summer time when they get "high temperature excursions".

Price has talked to Lemmon about high temperature excursions and that any regulation should have wording to permit such an occurrence without running a-foul of the law.

He also indicated that Lemmon is thinking of having Capowski do another set of tests this summer at Giant before they arrive at a final number.

3. Recent CBC Interview re Effluents

We discussed the Environment Canada blurb that occurred recently on the radio concerning our effluents. L.S. Price has heard a copy of the tape that Kent Morton had with him and feels that it is an example of in-fighting within departments.

4. Drinking Water Notice

Finally we discussed the reference to arsenic in the notice about underground drinking water. Price feels that it could cause us some repercussions, especially with the Union and further that we shouldn't imply water quality not acceptable as our past sampling has shown it was below allowable limit and also it was acceptable to the Mining Inspection Service. He felt that the wording I suggested was preferable, but would telex us another version if he could think of something more appropriate.



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