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FROM: *Al Pinner for SGS*
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SUBJECT: SOLAR PONDS ACCELERATED SLUDGE REMOVAL PROJECT (ASRP) -
SGS-451-94

Action: Confirmation of key contact personnel by August 25, 1994

Doe Order: 4700.1

Since the successful emptying of Pond 207 B South by a highly motivated team earlier this year, ASRP has been experiencing frustrating delays in commencing sludge removal operations for Pond 207 C. These delays have emanated from a wide variety of areas.

The material in Pond 207 C is temperature sensitive in that salts crystallize and precipitate at lowered temperatures. It is imperative that this effort commence in the most expedited and efficient manner to complete prior to the onset of cold weather and, of course, meet the Interagency Agreement (IAG) milestone. (January 19, 1995)

To reach this goal, we must re-establish the commitment and teamwork which was so evident in the B Pond operation. I solicit your support in this endeavor. Please address the following:

- (1) Verify the attached key contact personnel list for this project
- (2) Share with your personnel the importance and commitment you have and expect of them for this project
- (3) Support the project team in removing barriers to accomplish this project's goals

To provide necessary visibility for any difficulties which need to be overcome, the project team will issue a daily progress report covering:

- (a) Items planned to be accomplished,
- (b) Actual accomplishments,
- (c) Basic facts of why there is any discrepancy, and
- (d) Potential future problems.

This first daily report is attached, subsequent reports will be faxed to you and provided to the key contact personnel until we have a smooth running operation.

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We at Environmental Restoration (ER) appreciate your support and look forward to completion of this stage of Solar Ponds remediation.

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Attachments (2)
As Stated

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DATE: August 17, 1994
TO: S. R. Keith, Fax 7868
FROM: J. B. Mellen
SUBJECT: ACCELERATED SLUDGE REMOVAL PROCESS (ASRP) STATUS, 8/17/94

I Activities Planned:

1. Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) inspection of eleven new poly tanks in tent 6
2. Tour of ropes and barriers as part of Corrective Action (CA) from recent critique.
3. South Pond final cleanup activities.
4. Tent 4 dress rehearsal for unloading C Pond material.
5. C Pond vacuuming dress rehearsal

II Activities Accomplished:

1. Completed with no findings, just compliments
2. Completed. Environmental Restoration (ER) had 8 people in attendance.
3. Completed. All vacuum piping removed from pond and smeared out. Sump pump installed. Pond ready for survey.
4. Completed. There were many questions about Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) re-required. PPE was re-evaluated and changed at debriefing meeting. PPE will be re-evaluated again after some operations.
5. Partially completed. A new scaffolding was build at vacuum truck unloading station to satisfy Industrial Safety's concerns. These mods will be completed early tomorrow (8/18/94).

III Facts of Discrepancy

Not significant

IV Problems/Barriers:

Radiological Operations (RO) foreman reported he did not have enough Radiological Control Technicians (RCTs) to support continuous operation. His supervision is looking for more people. Without continuous operation, we will not finish C Pond before cold weather and will probably miss our Interagency Agency (IAG) milestone.

KEY PERSONNEL LIST

E. A. Blush	Radiological Engineering
R. W. Boyle	Solar Pond Projects
N. J. Candido	Industrial Hygiene
S. W. DeWitt	Waste Solidification
J. E. Drake	Radiological Operations
R. Dunn	Liquid Waste Treatment Operations
D. Hatcher	Construction Management
S. T. Kozel	Systems Engineering
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