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INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: June 14, 1990
TO: J. M. Kersh
FROM: D. W. Ferrera, Support Services, Bldg. 334, X5008 *DW Ferrera*
SUBJECT: USE OF HERBICIDE

We have reviewed your letter of May 31, 1990, that essentially bans the use of herbicides for controlling weeds on plantsite. We have several problems with regard to control of weeds by mechanical means. First is the PSZ, the 100 ft area between the fences. This area must be virtually free of any vegetation; mechanical mowing will still leave vegetation 3" to 6" high. We propose to use the herbicide "Round-up" in the PSZ for weed control. We also propose that "Round-up" be used to control the weeds along the railroad track bed, open storage yards, the oil storage tank farm and berm, and along the perimeter chain link fence, 3'-4' on back side of the fence.

Another area of concern is the dam faces on the water side. This face is covered with large rip rap and cannot be effectively mowed even with weed whips. We propose the use of the herbicide "Rodeo" for these locations. It is our understanding that "Rodeo" is approved by state and federal regulating agencies for use around water supplies. We also propose the use of "Rodeo" for the ditches beside Central Avenue and other roads throughout the plantsite. Neither "Rodeo" nor "Round-up" have residual base and should not pose a problem for runoff.

The last area of concern is our lawns. Without proper weed control the lawns will virtually be overrun with weeds as manual pulling does not get the roots and is so time consuming as to make it totally ineffective. We propose the use of "Banvel" in all the lawns.

We would appreciate your consideration of these proposals and will be available to meet on the subject at your discretion.

cc:
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