

Re: Letter Dated February 22, 1974 from Mrs. B. Murphy
Sullivan Heights Ratepayers Association
3195 Noel Drive, Burnaby
Trade Waste Discharge

Appearing on the Agenda for the March 11, 1974 meeting of Council is a letter from Mrs. B. Murphy regarding discharge of oil from a small stream in an area adjacent to the Burnaby-Coquitlam boundary. The Chief Public Health Inspector has investigated this matter and advises as follows:

"Mrs. Murphy is quite correct in her statement that there is an intermittent discharge of petroleum trade waste in the subject stream. Our investigation reveals that this intermittent discharge originates in the Municipality of Coquitlam.

We have reported this intermittent discharge to the Simon Fraser Health Unit authorities on several occasions over the past two years. To date, there has been little improvement.

On March 6, 1974, the situation was discussed with Mr. T. Moore, Senior Public Health Inspector, Simon Fraser Health Unit. We would state that Mr. Moore has occupied this position for a relatively short period of time and has not had the opportunity of familiarizing himself with this particular problem. Mr. Moore has agreed to investigate immediately and take appropriate action to alleviate the problem. Mr. Moore will advise this Department of his findings and action taken by March 22, 1974.

Failing satisfactory resolution of the problem by March 22, 1974, the Health Department will refer the matter to appropriate Governmental authorities and will advise Mrs. Murphy accordingly.

I discussed this subject with Mrs. Murphy, on March 6, 1974. Mrs. Murphy agrees with the foregoing action and will await advice on our progress."

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mrs. B. Murphy.