

TO: ACTING CITY MANAGER 1995 JANUARY 04

FROM: CHIEF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER

SUBJECT: A REQUEST TO DISPOSE OF OIL SPILL CLEANUP MATERIAL AND OILED WOOD DEBRIS FROM THE SINKING OF A DREDGE IN THE FRASER RIVER

PURPOSE: TO PROVIDE INFORMATION FOR COUNCIL'S CONSIDERATION REGARDING A REQUEST RECEIVED FOR THE DISPOSAL OF OIL SPILL CLEANUP MATERIAL AND OILED WOOD DEBRIS FROM THE SINKING OF A DREDGE IN THE FRASER RIVER

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a letter be forwarded to Mr. L.H. Hayton, Manager, Solid Waste Department, G.V.R.D., 4330 Kingsway, Burnaby, B.C., V5H 4G8, authorizing the disposal of oil spill cleanup material and oiled wood debris from the 1994 December 19 sinking of a dredge in the Fraser River.

REPORT

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Staff received a letter dated 1994 January 03 from the G.V.R.D. regarding a request from the B.C. Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks (BCMOELP) to dispose of 100 cubic yards of oil spill cleanup material and oiled wood debris.

These were materials and debris collected from cleaning up hydraulic and fuel oil from the 1994 December 19 sinking of a dredge, the "King Edward", in the Fraser River off Tilbury Island. These materials are presently placed in tarped twenty cubic yard containers and held at B.C. Ferries.

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2.0 COMMENTS ON A REQUEST TO DISPOSE OIL SPILL CLEANUP MATERIAL
AND OILED DEBRIS FROM THE SINKING OF A DREDGE IN THE FRASER
RIVER

A motion passed by Council on 1993 September 21 and subsequently supported by the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District on 1993 October 23, requires the G.V.R.D. to obtain written authorization from Council prior to incinerating oil spill materials with volumes greater than 10 cubic yards at the G.V.R.D. Incinerator.

As the aforementioned request involves the disposal of approximately 100 cubic yards of oil spill material and oiled wood debris, a written authorization for the disposal of these materials at the G.V.R.D. Incinerator is being requested from Council by the G.V.R.D.

In reviewing the information provided by the G.V.R.D., BCMOELP and Council's standing policy on the matter, staff recommend that authorization be granted to the G.V.R.D. for incinerating the aforementioned materials at the G.V.R.D. Incinerator.



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