

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO : M. L. Brooks
VIA : H. E. Ballance *HEB 4/13/66*
FROM : W. C. Courtright
SUBJECT: DUMPING MATERIAL IN THE BURNING GROUND CANYON
SYMBOL : H-3

DATE: April 13, 1966

*1. BPW - what disposal area is this?
AREA "P"
2. Russo BPW 9/15
3. File L.V. 1757*

- References : 1. Group GMX-3 SOP 12.3.6
2. Memorandum from Safety Office to C. A. Reynolds, dated March 18, 1966, subject "Cleanup of TA-16 Burned Buildings"

Permission is requested to allow The Zia Company to dump several truckloads of noncombustible debris in the canyon north of TA-16-387. This material is noncombustible debris left from burning old explosive buildings and magazines at TA-16 and TA-11. This material should be essentially free of any HE contamination, since fire was used to destroy the buildings. However, it is felt that it should not be deposited in an area open to the public because of the slight possibility of hidden HE contamination. I do not feel that the possible amount of HE contamination is great enough to increase the explosive hazard in this dump. The material that is determined by a Group GMX-3 Certifying Agent to be possibly HE contaminated will be deposited in the HE burial pits at Mesita del Buey. No combustible material is to be included and arrangements to enter and leave the burning ground area will be made in advance by Group ENG-4 with T. B. Harris, GMX-3.

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