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From: Director, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs
Division, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune
To: Assistant Chief of Staff, Facilities, Marine Corps Base,
Camp Lejeune

Subj: FEEDBACK IN ISSUES DISCUSSED AT THE GENERAL OFFICER'S
BREAKFAST ON 15 APRIL 1987

Ref: (a) CS memo 5050/CS dtd 10 Jul 87
(b) FONECON btwn LtCol Tomski, JPAO, and Glenee Smith,
NREAD, on 15 Jul 87

Encl: (1) Necessity to provide rapid, full information on all
hazardous or chemical spills to JPAO

1. In accordance with reference (a), the current reporting
procedures were reviewed. After discussion of reference (b),
it has been determined that enclosure (1) is adequate.

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For information, please refer to the report of the
Division of Health and Safety, dated 1950, which
contains a list of the various types of cases.

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classified as "Type A" cases, and which are
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TOPIC: Necessity to provide rapid, full information on all hazardous or chemical spills to JPAO

DISCUSSION: Situation occurred wherein news of spill leaked to the press before JPAO was fully briefed. There is no such thing as a "minor" spill in today's environment.

COMMENTS

Who is point of contact?

REPLY: Under the current procedure, Base Fire Protection is the initial point of contact and initial responder for spills of oil and/or all other hazardous substances. The Fire Protection Division then notifies other appropriate organizations; e.g., Natural Resources, Base Maintenance, AC/S Facilities, Command Staff Duty Officer, etc., in accordance with established written procedures.

Our present post-cleanup spill reporting procedure is different, based on nature of the spill, substance spilled, quantity, location, etc. For example, a spill of 100 gallons of toxic chemical which is contained within a berm is not always reportable outside the command, while a spill of two gallons of oil into navigable waters is reportable to Coast Guard and State of North Carolina. Many of our spills are in the "nuisance" category but carry stringent reporting requirements.

On 24 April 1987 we established a procedure which ensures the timely notification of JPAO regarding oil and hazardous substance spills.

ENCLOSURE (1)

