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**Administrative Record** 

February 3, 1989

Mr. James R. Shack Project Officer Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources Bureau of Waste Management 121 South Highland Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15206-3988

Re: Westinghouse Electric Corporation Beaver Plant

Dear Mr. Shack:

The purpose of this letter is to supplement our October 25, 1988 response to your letter request of September 19, 1988. While continuing to review information responsive to your request, we have located a property right-of-way record that may be relevant.

During the 1940's through late 1960's, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company owned and operated rail service in Vanport Township. Rail tracks ran parallel to Georgetown Lane and the present day Two Mile Run; along the property between Georgetown Lane and the Westinghouse fence line (most of the fence is still in existence). Please refer to the attached Sheets 14 and 15. Near the intersection of Georgetown Lane and North Halnut Street, there was a railroad sidetrack that ran south, while the main rail line continued westerly. Apparently the southerly sidetrack included a bridge that crossed over Two Mile Run, since Sheet 71-B indicates that a bridge was removed in 1967.

In the late 1960's, the Pennsylvania Railroad deeded the property described above to the Brighton Township Sewer Authority. In 1981, Westinghouse purchased the property from the Municipal Authority.

In 1957, Westinghouse granted Petroleum Solvents Company of Pennsylvania the right to use a portion of property along North Walnut Street for access to the railroad. Attached are letters dated September 13, and October 10, 1957 on behalf of the Solvent Company. These letters indicate that the southerly rail sidetrack served the Beaver Sand Company, and that Petroleum Solvents Company required the rail access to load tank cars from tank trucks. Also attached is the Westinghouse letter of November 4, 1957 granting Petroleum Solvents Company of Pennsylvania the right to use a portion of the property along North Walnut Street for access to the railroad.

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An undated photograph (photocopy attached) verifies that the sidetrack was used for tank car movement. In addition, 1966 aerial photographs (photocopies attached) depict numerous tank cars located on the sidetrack suggesting extensive sidetrack activity. Northeast of the intersection of Tuscarawas Road and Georgetown Lane there are four railroad tank cars and dispensing shed. These cars were on this property in 1966 as shown on the aerial photographs. This property was reportedly used by Allen Paving Company, automobile repair shops, a glass store front repair shop, and most recently an automobile body shop. No other details are available regarding these operations at this location. I have marked a set of photocopies highlighting these areas and structures to more clear identification. Original photographs and aerials are available at my office for your review if necessary.

If you have any questions concerning these documents, please call me at 412-642-4027.

Sincerely,

Linda L. LeGoullon, Project Engineer

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Attachments LLL/cm

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