

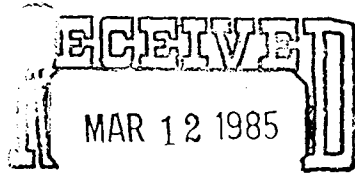
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March 11, 1985

To: Ralph Sterry, City Utilities

From: Randy Swepston *Randy*

Re: Grease and Sand Trap Disposal at Persigo

On March 6, 1985 representatives from the County and State Health Department met with you and your staff to discuss the disposal of sand and grease trap wastes at Persigo. The meeting identified many of the city's operational concerns as well as clarified the county's position regarding final disposal of these wastes. Essentially the following items were identified:

- 1) The plant does not have adequate design features to effectively remove incoming oil or diesel fuel, even in small quantities. Special pre-treatment or additional design features will be needed to treat waste from traps located at gas stations or garages.
- 2) Although there is no specific method to remove sand and grit from car wash wastes, we discussed the possibility of using a drying bed to remove the water.
- 3) We discussed disposing of grease trap wastes directly into the debeacher. This would avoid many of the operational and maintenance problems and should effectively remove the grease without violating discharge standards.

The discussion resulted in a commitment by your office to explore these disposal methods and meet again on April 3, 1985 to discuss their feasibility and any engineering or installations which may be necessary. At that point we can also identify start up, operational costs, and discuss user fees.

The county's goal is to treat these wastes without affecting the operational performance or violating discharge standards at the Persigo plant. I appreciate your efforts to explore the plants existing capabilities. Hopefully, through a cooperative effort we can resolve the current situation. If I may be of any assistance, please contact me.

RS/jg

cc: Dick Bowman, Colorado Dept. of Health
Jerry O'Brien, Persigo
Mark Eckert, Assistant County Adm.