

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO

MEMORANDUM

Reply Requested

Yes No

Date

March 13, 1985

To: (From:) Mark Achen

From: (To:) Ralph Sterry

RE: Letter to State- EPA- Governor- Yourself- Jerry O'Brien from
Michael Graham

I just finished a thorough inspection of Persigo Plant with Dick Bowman, Engineer for the State Water Quality Branch of State Health Department, for determination of EPA State Grant close out. This was the final interim walk-through and review of all documents, including the last two change orders which have been approved, prior to final inspection.

Upon completion of this inspection, I was instructed to ask for the final inspection by State and EPA to close out the Construction Grant as soon as possible. Also, it has been pointed out that, if at all possible, Jim Patterson should lead this final inspection as he is the most knowledgeable person and by having him do this, we would have a much smoother coverage on all items which must be covered.

While in the meeting with Dick Bowman, Michael Graham came in with a letter addressed to several agencies making direct accusations concerning plant operations which could reflect badly on the City in the eyes of other agencies, such as State Health Department, EPA and the Governor. Most of his concerns had been covered in the intensive review and interview process which Claudia and I conducted. A final draft of my recommendations concerning plant operations is being reviewed by Claudia at this time. Some of Mr. Graham's complaints will be addressed when my recommendations are implemented. (e.g. process, control, training)

One concern of mine, at this time, is the possibility of EPA requiring an audit prior to final inspection, as a result of Mr. Graham's letter. An Audit could delay final inspection for up to at least one (1) year.

If the final inspection of Persigo proceeds without delay, I will advise you as to the validity of the balance of Mr. Graham's concerns as well as to the overall operation of Persigo Plant.

cc: Claudia Hazelhurst
Jerry O'Brien
Dick Bowman ✓
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