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TO : C. L. Dunham, Director of Biology  
and Medicine

DATE: August 9, 1956

FROM : D. F. Hayes, Chief, Safety and Fire Protection Branch  
(THRU) O. S. Smith, Director of Organization and Personnel

SUBJECT: RADIATION INJURY INCIDENTS

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There is attached a list of injuries resulting from radiation, prepared in answer to a request from the Joint Congressional Committee in a letter from James T. Ramey, Executive Director.

We have included in the list only those cases in which there were outward indications of damage. We have not tried to include those cases where there may have been blood changes, no observable disability, or cases where the amount of radiation would appear to have been sufficient to cause injury but did not.

The incidents are taken from records in our files of reported accidents and from cases which we were able to find in your files also. Within the limits described above, I feel that we have recorded here all the cases that can be reported in this matter.

Mr. Hollingsworth has requested that we get your concurrence and it would be appreciated if you would also check your records evolving from the requirements of AEC Manual Chapter 0521 since there may be some cases where you have a record of "injury" subsequent to first report which may have only described an "accident."

Please advise if you believe that any more complete information could be developed by phone calls to the Operations Offices, as suggested in Mr. Hollingsworth's memorandum.

He has indicated that he would like the information by August 16. If you concur or can add to the information contained in the list, a letter will be prepared for the General Manager's signature which I will clear with you before forwarding for signature.

Attachments.

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