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DEFENSE DEPOT MEMPHIS TENNESSEE - CONCERNED CITIZENS COMMITTEE

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October 22, 1996

Col. Mike Kennedy
Base Commander
Defense Depot Memphis Tennessee
2163 Airways Boulevard
Memphis, TN 38116-5210

Dear Col. Kennedy

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act and the Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act, the Defense Depot Concerned Citizens' Committee (DDMT-CCC) requests all files, records, documents, and diagrams relating to the operation and duties of the Chemical Warfare Service from 1942 to 1996.



Contamination

DDMT-CCC also requests you disclose all information about buildings, areas, and dates chemical warfare weapons were received, stored, manufactured, and/or shipped to or from the Defense Depot. In addition, DDMT-CCC requests information of spills, wastes, and burials. Specifically, DDMT-CCC requests names of chemical warfare weapons tested or manufactured by the Defense Depot.

DDMT-CCC has in its possession a document that reveals that a Chemical Warfare Service (unit) existed and operated on the Defense Depot, that specialized chemical trains delivered chemicals to designated chemical warfare buildings, and that open areas of the Defense Depot were used for specialized chemical warfare operations.

If you choose to deny this request, in any part, I would like to know exactly what is being denied, and the basis under the law for such a denial. We request a written response of any denial.

Defense Depot Memphis Tennessee - Concerned Citizens' Committee (DDMT-CCC) is a non-profit grassroots organization devoted to fighting environmental injustice wreaked upon black communities by white corporations and military facilities and to protecting the environment and public health from toxic hazards.



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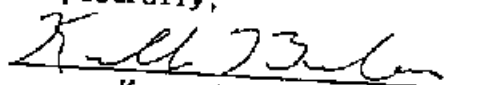
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We request a waiver of all fees in relation to your response to this request and duplication of all relevant Chemical Warfare files. If our request is denied, please postpone duplication once the cost of the response exceeds Ten (\$10.00) Dollars.

In this regard please note:

- 1) The use proposed for the documents is to review and analyze the documents for use in discussion with the public, the EPA, and with the media. No income is expected to be derived from or as a result of the receipt of such documents.
- 2) We anticipate publishing information gained from request for general public distribution.
- 3) The public will benefit from this use by becoming better informed as the policies and actions of the Defense Depot Memphis Tennessee.
- 4) No "specialized" use of any of the documents is contemplated at this time.

Respectfully,


Kenneth Bradshaw

Doris Bradshaw
Founder and Co-chairperson
Defense Depot Memphis Tennessee - Concerned Citizens' Committee

cc: Joe Ford, City Council; John DeBerry, State Representative; State Representative Lois Deberry; State Representative Henri Brooks; State Representative Mike Kernell; John N. Ford, State Senator; Roscoe Dixon, State Senator; Willie Herenton, Mayor of Memphis; Harold Ford, U.S. Congress; Timothy Fields, USEPA; Grover Hankins, Thurgood Marshall School of Law; Don Sundquist, Governor of Tennessee.

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