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From: Commanding Officer and Director
To: Commandant, Twelfth Naval District

Subj: Radioactive Waste Disposal; responsibility for

Ref: (a) 12ND INST 8027.3A of 6 Nov 1956

Encl: (1) BuOrd ltr L8-5/NT/1 of 23 Jun 1958

1. Reference (a) designated the authorized dumping area in the Twelfth Naval District for explosive, toxic chemical ammunition and radioactive waste material and outlined the procedure to be followed in disposing of radioactive waste. Enclosure (1) states that the Commander, Military Sea Transportation Service (MSTS), will assume responsibility within the Department of the Navy for disposal of radioactive waste material at sea as of 1 July 1959. Therefore, this Laboratory will no longer be disposing of radioactive waste for the AEC and other DOD activities after 30 June 1959.

2. It is recommended that reference (a) be modified to indicate that MSTS in lieu of NRDL will be responsible for disposal of radioactive waste material at sea as of 1 July 1959. This Laboratory may use the services of MSTS, or, if more economical, the services of a commercial contractor. At present, there are three (3) commercial companies holding valid disposal licenses in the State of California, and one (1) company (*) holds a permit for collection and stowage, pending approval of a disposal license. This Laboratory plans to request the Navy Purchase Division, GSD, Oakland to request bids from these companies to determine whether it is more economical to use their services.

Nuclear Engineering Company, Inc., Walnut Creek
Isotopes Specialties Company, Burbank
Coastwise Marine Disposal Service, Los Angeles
*Atomic Energy Waste Disposal Service, Oakland

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