

REYNOLDS CORPORATION
V. S. NAVAL ORDNANCE PLANT

MACON, GEORGIA

June 10, 1944

Hon. Charles L. Bowden
Mayor
City of Macon
City Hall
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mayor Bowden:

The Gantt tract of land, which I understand to be owned by the city and county, a part of which was given to the Government for the purpose of building and operating the Naval Ordnance Plant, includes Land Lot 222, which is located to the rear or south of the plant.

Up to the present time, rejected loaded parts have been taken to a spot on Land Lot 222, about five (5) or six hundred (600) feet from Rocky Creek, about eight hundred (800) feet from the west line of said Land Lot, and about one thousand five hundred (1,500) feet from the north line of said lot. Prior to commencing the destruction of such rejected loaded parts, we obtained approval of the State Board of Health. It may be of interest to you to know that tests have shown that such destruction of rejected loaded parts does not affect fish life in the little streams flowing from the point of destruction to Rocky Creek, or in Rocky Creek.

In addition to the above, the plant has a certain amount of tin cans and glassware which can not be reasonably salvaged. These are now piled at a location within sight of the new dormitories across the street from the plant. We would very much like to set up a barbed wire enclosure, a piece of land approximately one hundred (100) feet square down in the vicinity of the place where rejected parts are disposed of, and be privileged to dump this unusable tin and glass at that particular place. This would be a favorable location for such a dump, as the location is such that it would not be considered as unsightly to anyone.

In the same vicinity, we would also like to have permission to burn waste materials, which are unsalvagable. Previously this has been done at a location across the street from the plant, but since the dormitories have been built, it not only would be a possible health hazard, but also is unsightly. Both the dump for the tin and glassware and the location for burning unsalvagable material are in close proximity to the spot mentioned for the disposal of the rejected parts, each being within two hundred (200) to three hundred (300) feet of each other.

We feel certain that neither the city nor the county have any objection



to the use of the land in question for the above mentioned purposes, but the Navy Commanding Officer has requested that all such permissions be on file in writing as a matter of record. It will be very much appreciated if written authority is furnished us, covering the above mentioned matters at your earliest practical moment.

Thanking you and members of the City Council and members of the Board of County Commissioners for your usual splendid cooperation in matters pertaining to this war plant, I remain

Yours for Victory,



R. J. Anderson

Vice President and General Manager

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