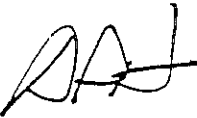


DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

May 24, 1994

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernard E. Sims
Arthur Mouberry
Steve Tedder

FROM: Preston Howard, Jr. 

SUBJECT: Analysis of Soil Samples

At the May 23, 1994, staff conference, William B. Edwards, Jr. described a problem with certified laboratories reporting results from the analysis of soil samples. Some laboratories are reporting on a dry weight basis, while others are reporting on a wet weight basis. Under these conditions, there is no comparison between results from different laboratories or different samples.

Effective July 1, 1994, the results for all of the soil sample analyses, performed to meet the requirements of the Division of Environmental Management, must be reported on a dry weight basis. There may be occasions when the composition of a particular sample may require an exemption from this policy. The above is set forth in accordance with 15A NCAC 2L .0110 (C).

cc: Harlan Britt
William B. Edwards, Jr.