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SECTION ONE - ADMINISTRATIVE

Reply to Milwaukee's exceptions in ICC hearing for Southern connection filed today.

Interstate Telephone Company has filed application with Washington State Department of Public Service to merge with Kennewick Valley Telephone Company. It is expected that a ruling will be made during the latter part of June.

SECTION TWO - OPERATIONS

Ruptured slug removed from 100F pile June 4 not yet examined. Aluminum process tube and ruptured slug broke in two pieces upon bending. Appearance of aluminum indicated high temperature adjacent to slug. Contaminated cooling water in retention basin though below tolerance has been cribbed. Pile will start up today. IP material ready for air shipment June 16. Carbide and Carbon's waste metal sampling equipment shipped from Oak Ridge June 5. Expected arrival here June 11.

Reactor Safeguard Committee to meet here June 14 and 15. Metallurgical meeting on blistering problem will meet here June 16 and 17.

SECTION THREE - CONSTRUCTION

14,260 construction employees on pay roll. Barracks space completed in camp for 7,005 male workers and 440 female workers. 1,804 trailer spaces completed with 1,734 occupied. In Village 275 permanent type units accepted. 350 foundations excavated, 274 poured, 15 units framed, 42 floor slabs poured on 1,000 house contract. 105 DR Area estimated 18 percent complete and 105 DR building estimated 22 percent complete. 100H general facility construction and 107H excavation continuing. Waste storage 241TX 55 percent complete; five domes poured, x-raying eleventh to fifteenth tanks. Excavating for 234-5 building and 284 building footings. Making test borings for redox building design at 200 west. Buildings 293B and 293C to be used in stack decontamination program receiving top priority; construction being done by maintenance forces. Redox scale-up 98 percent complete and being tested preparatory to turning over to operations. Washout has occurred on Milwaukee Branch Line and details on this and other flood damages will be forwarded.

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SECTION THREE - VISITORS

Mr. McCaustland, Seattle District Real Estate Officer, concerning acquisition of Area B.

SECTION FOUR - SCHENECTADY

Construction progress at KAPL continues on separations pilot plant, pilot plant laboratory, physics laboratory, central shops, metallurgy and engineering building, chemistry laboratory and steam plant and laundry. Construction quantities at KAPL as follows: foundation, tunnel and rough excavation 188,000 cubic yards, pipe trenches 28,400 cubic yards. Concrete poured 7,560 cubic yards.

Water mains 2,000 linear feet. City gas 600 feet. Storm and sanitary sewers 2,200 feet. Progress on Standard Oil Development contract: the demonstration mixer settler unit operating very satisfactorily on the kerosene water system using rotating baffles. Vibrating discs are being fabricated to replace baffles for additional tests.

Progress on Air Reduction Sales Contract: precipitator arrived at Hanford and piping and wiring connections being made for initial tests which should be ready by end of week.

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On Engineering assistance to Hanford project a magnetic coupling was completed and tested on the turbine pumps for the small pump development phase of project.

Wineberg, Goebels, Smith and Willshaw of GAO visited Schenectady operations Tuesday relative to their decentralized audit. Willshaw who has been assigned to audit Schenectady operations undertook his duties in AEC office Wednesday.

Schenectady manager has designated G. V. Edlund to be acting director of security at Schenectady vice E. F. McLaughlin who has resigned. The ASME Nuclear Power Committee will visit Schenectady operations Thursday of this week. The group consists of Alex Bailey, Dean Ferguson, Admiral Solberg, General Westervelt, Harry Winne, Colonel Davies and Al Baker. Rear Admiral W. S. Parsons and Rear Admiral T. A. Solberg will visit Schenectady operations on Friday June 11.

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