

APPENDIX H

INTERVIEWS

TELEPHONE OR VERBAL CONVERSATION RECORD

DATE 23 Jun 98

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SUBJECT OF CONVERSATION CWM at Fort McClellan

INCOMING CALL

PERSON CALLING	ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER AND EXTENSION
PERSON CALLED	OFFICE	PHONE NUMBER AND EXTENSION

OUTGOING CALL

PERSON CALLING Thomas Murrell	ADDRESS St. Louis Engineer District	PHONE NUMBER AND EXTENSION 314-331-8787
PERSON CALLED Phil Blackwell Larry Hudgins	OFFICE Brown & Root, Atlanta	PHONE NUMBER AND EXTENSION 770-413-0965

SUMMARY OF CONVERSATION:

Phil Blackwell was stationed with the 22nd Chemical Smoke Company in the early 60s and not part of the cadre of the Chemical School. He did go through the Chemical Officers Basic and Advance Courses at Fort McClellan, but stated that most of the field training was done at Pelham Range.

Larry Hudgins went through the Chemical Officer Basic Course in 1970-1971. he also remembered that most of the field training was at Pelham range.

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PERSON CALLING Thomas Murrell	ADDRESS St. Louis Engineer District	PHONE NUMBER AND EXTENSION 314-331-8787
PERSON CALLED Dennis Chambers	OFFICE St. Louis Engineer District	PHONE NUMBER AND EXTENSION 314-524-3329

SUMMARY OF CONVERSATION:

Dennis Chambers was an enlisted soldier who worked at the Chemical School from February to October in 1970. His duty was to transport toxic chemicals from storage sites to training areas. He stated that Lewisite and Mustard were stored in the yard on top of Reservoir Ridge and VX and GB were stored in an igloo at the base of Reservoir Ridge. He transported 40cc vials of agent to the Tec Escort Reaction Area (TA-31) for use in reaction training. After the training he then transported clothing and other items back to stockage points. He also stated that there was a 20'x 20' gas house near the old Chemical School and that across the street from the gas chamber was the area where GB and VX goat demonstrations took place.

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PERSON CALLING Thomas Murrell	ADDRESS St. Louis Engineer District	PHONE NUMBER AND EXTENSION 314-331-8787
PERSON CALLED Jerry Creager	OFFICE Brown & Root, Atlanta	PHONE NUMBER AND EXTENSION 770-413-0965

SUMMARY OF CONVERSATION:

Jerry Creager was an sergeant assigned to the 142nd EOD Detachment for two tours, 1969 to late 1973 and again from Jun 78 to Nov 81. He said he had gone through 'Vent and Burn' training on mustard artillery shells at Range 24A. That in 1973, he and another EOD sergeant under went extensive training at Range 24A in the disposal of small vials of agent which could not be shipped off post. he also indicated that the affects of mustard on the skin type training had taken place at Range 24A. He recalled that Range 31 was used for chemical demonstrations which included Foogas, LAW's and M66 rocket incendiaries. He also stated that M1 mines may have been filled and buried at Fort McClellan.

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PERSON CALLING Thomas Murrell	ADDRESS St. Louis Engineer District	PHONE NUMBER AND EXTENSION 314-331-8787
PERSON CALLED Richard C. Davis	OFFICE	PHONE NUMBER AND EXTENSION 770-471-5122

SUMMARY OF CONVERSATION:

Richard Davis was the Commander of the 142nd EOD Detachment at Fort McClellan from 1973 to 1976. He remembered uncovering a non-fuzed mustard artillery round during an EOD disposal at Range 24A. He also recalled removing 3" Stokes Mortar rounds during the construction of new facilities for the MP School in the 75-76 time frame.

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PERSON CALLING Thomas Murrell	ADDRESS St. Louis Engineer District	PHONE NUMBER AND EXTENSION 314-331-8787
PERSON CALLED Fred Kolbrener	OFFICE The Analysis Corporation	PHONE NUMBER AND EXTENSION 703-208-9630

SUMMARY OF CONVERSATION:(Internet E-Mail messages)

Fred Kolbrener (COL Ret.) was interviewed using e-mail below are his comments on CWM:

I was there from 15 Oct- 16 Dec 1966 and we had live mustard Decon training at the known area of Howitzer Hill about the 4th week. Also, Mustard Confidence Testing was done in Siebert Hall, which later became the main MP School building and was renamed to something or other. Live mustard decon was done up through 1969 when the SG decided that mustard was carcinogenic. McClellan also has a clothing impregnation operation in which fatigues and long underwear were treated for chemical agent resistance. The XXCC3 may also be suspect as a suspected carcinogen or pollutant. The classes exposed to the most stuff were the EOD classes which used live agents in the defuzing training.

On one of the fields adjacent to Siebert Hall was a training field where the GOAT EXERCISE was conducted. It used GB, but the agent was in lead pigs and only a cotton swab was ever used which then went into bicarbonate solution to destroy the agent. Most of it was demos, but all advanced courses also conducted their own GOAT exercise for training purposes and building of confidence.

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Thomas Murrell	St. Louis Engineer District	314-331-8787
PERSON CALLED	OFFICE	PHONE NUMBER AND EXTENSION
Ralph Johnson		256-435-6114

SUMMARY OF CONVERSATION:

Ralph Johnson was a forester at Fort McClellan for 35 years and retired in the late 1980's. He said that much of the Chemical Training had been done in various training areas and that at the end of the session they had disposed of the items by burying. However, he could not give any specific locations for main post. he did state that the cement containers which held the Cobalt 60 samples at the Pelham range Rad Field had been placed in the southwest corner of the Rad Field.