DATE: July, 17, 1979

CALLED IN BY:

Edward Brogan, Council President 823-7872

Sugar Notch Borough, Pa.

REQUESTED BY:

Stephen Yanchek, District Operations Supervisor

DATE OCCURRED:

About 2 weeks ago

ACCOMPANIED BY:

Edward Brogan, Council President

Fred Pascoe, Chief of Police

LOCATION OF INQUIRY: About 6/10 of a mile southeast of Cemetary Street

in an abandoned ash pit.

DESCRIPTION OF INQUIRY:

A rubbish fire in the ash pit.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The fire should be extinguished immediately to prevent

it from spreading into underground mines.

CONCLUSIONS:

This fire is now of a minor nature, but if it is allowed to spread there is the possibility that it will spread to the wooded area nearby and also to the underground coal seams. This was discussed with Mr. Brogan, but he claims that the borough does not have the equipment or the money for the rental of the equipment necessary to extinguish the fire. The property is owned by the Blue Coal Corp. and Mr. Brogan was asked to contact them and have the fire extinguished. This inquiry was referred to Alan Snelson, Bureau of Solid Waste D.E.R., for further action.

Attached please a photo of the rubbish fire .

July, 25, 1979

Anthony G. Zvirblis, Environmental Protection Specialist, DER, was contacted , by phone, and he informed me that his office will handle the case.

Also on this date the fire site was revisited by me at the request of Arthur Borchard and John Lasek of the office of the U.S. Bureau of Mines and at this time the fire had advanced about 75 ft.

cc: U.S.Bureau of Mines

INVESTIGATOR

Shrader Blue Goal Office