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## Engineering Experiment Station

## PROJECT INITIATION

|                          |   | Date: M | arch 5, 1974 |
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| Project Title: Waste Con | verter Evaluation and Development   |         |              |
| Project No.: A-1472      |   |         |              |
| Project Director: H. G.  | Dean  |         |              |
|                          | Corporation   |         |              |
| Effective May 1, 19      |   | Open    |              |
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| Type Agreement: Standa   | ard Industrial Research Amount: \$_   | 60,000  |              |
| Reports Required: Task I | Reports, as requested   |         |              |
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#### PROJECT TERMINATION

August 21, 1975 Date:

Project Title:

Waste Converter Evaluation and Development

Project No .:

A-1472

Project Director: H. G. Dean

Sponsor: Tech-Air Corporation

Effective Termination Date: 6/30/75

Clearance of Accounting Charges: by 6/30/75

Grant/Contract Closeout Actions Remaining:

None

NOTE: Follow-on project is A-1767; all costs incurred under this

program after 6/30/75 should be recorded in A-1767

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ANALYTICAL RESULTS AND ADSORPTIVITY TESTS

The results of the analyses and the adsorptivity tests with the Polish carbon and some chars from the Blue II and Blue III pyrolytic converters are given in the attached Table. In addition, the following results were obtained on a Darco S-51 carbon: Polish methylene blue number, 18; E.P.A. methylene blue number, 166; Polish molasses number (MG), 149. The Blue II and III chars show slight degree of activation. The treatment of Blue III char with steam for five minutes shows that the steam improved its activity slightly. Further treatment with steam under optimum conditions would produce a higher degree of activation. For the determinations of Polish molasses numbers (MG), the Polish carbon was used as a "standard" carbon, and a molasses solution was prepared in accordance with the Polish directions.

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### ANALYTICAL RESULTS ON CARBON SAMPLES

| Test                                    | CWZ-3             | Blue II6 | Blue III <sup>9</sup> | Activated<br>Blue III <sup>11</sup> |
|---|-------------------|----------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| % Moisture                              | 8.34              | 0        | 0                     | 0                                   |
| % Total Ash                             | 7.12              | _        | <u>-</u>              | 4.62                                |
| % Acid Insol. Ash                       | 2.11              | -        | -                     | 0.54                                |
| Iodine Value                            | 76.8 <sup>1</sup> | 62.47    | 59.6 <sup>10</sup>    | 73.2012                             |
| Iodine Number<br>(mg. iodine/g. carbon) | 531 <sup>2</sup>  | 4108     | -                     | -                                   |
| Methylene Blue Number<br>(Polish)       | 15.0 <sup>3</sup> | 9.5      | 5                     | 6                                   |
| Methylene Blue Test<br>(Mantell)        | 77.5 <sup>4</sup> | 26.5     |                       | -                                   |
| Molasses Number (MG)<br>(Polish)        | 335 <sup>5</sup>  | -        | >>800                 | 760                                 |
|   |                   |          |                       |                                     |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Average of two determinations--(1) 76.8; (2) 76.8.

<sup>2</sup>One determination.

<sup>4</sup>Average of two determinations--(1) 77; (2) 78; avg. 77.5.

<sup>5</sup>This molasses number is the value that was reported to our laboratory.

<sup>7</sup>Average of two determinations--(1) 62.4; (2) 62.4.

<sup>8</sup>One determination.

<sup>10</sup>Average of two determinations--(1) 60.1; (2) 59.1; avg. 59.6.

<sup>12</sup>Two determinations--(1) 73.9; (2) 72.5; avg. 73.2

#### WET SCREEN ANALYSIS

| Mesh Size | CWZ-3  | Blue III Ball Milled | Blue III Micromilled |
|-----------|--------|----------------------|----------------------|
| +100      | 2.76%  | 0.34%                | 0                    |
| 100 x 200 | 16.71% | 12.14%               | 0                    |
| 200 x 325 | 11.75% | 9.65%                | 4.03%                |
| -325      | 68.78% | 77.87%               | 95.97%               |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>As received, two determinations--(1) 15.0; (2) 15.0; rechecked on micromilled sample 9/30--15.5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>Sample supplied by Tech-Air in dried condition. Ball milled for two hours in a 1/2 gallon jar using 13/16" Burundun cylinders.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Sample supplied by Tech-Air. Dried before use. Char ball milled and then micromilled. Micromilled material used for all tests.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup>Blue III char activated five minutes at 800°C using 2 gm. steam/hr/gm. char. Yield, 95 percent. Sample dried for tests.