

DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE
Washington, D. C.

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IDENTICAL MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 30, 1958

TO : See Below

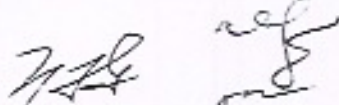
FROM : Chief, Division of Dental Public Health

SUBJECT: Waste Fluoride Compounds
Ref: Our memorandum of April 16, 1958

Please refer to our memorandum of the above date regarding the possible use of two of the five waste compounds listed by the Atomic Energy Commission, potassium fluoride and sodium fluoride, for fluoridation of municipal water supplies.

Several comments have come in as a result of this statement, and we would like to clarify the Division's position on their use.

Although there is no reason why the two compounds referred to, would not be satisfactory for use in fluoridating water supplies, there is no shortage of fluorides; and from a public relations point of view, it would be better to use fluorides from other sources, rather than provide anti-fluoridationists with potential claims about radioactive fluorides.


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