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Mr. Stewart Ward
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SUMMARY

HEARING: Pursuant to Ark. Stat. Ann. §82-1906 (1) (a) and (b), a hearing was conducted on December 21, 1978, at the offices of the Department of Pollution Control and Ecology with reference to burning of trade wastes at the plant of Cimarron Lumber Company in Hatfield, Arkansas. Although served with notice delivered December 8, 1978, no representative of the company appeared at said hearing.

FINDINGS: Cimarron Lumber Company operates a plant in Hatfield, Polk County, Arkansas, the principal product of which is fence posts. The Department received complaints with reference to smoke from open burning of trade wastes from said plant for over two years prior to the hearing. Cimarron Lumber Company in fact disposes of its trade wastes, primarily bark, by conveying said wastes into a three-sided tin structure with no roof, where the bark and similar materials are burned, creating substantial amounts of smoke in an area of high receptor density. Permitted sanitary landfill facilities are available in the vicinity.

RECOMMENDED ORDER: Cimarron Lumber Company should be ordered to cease burning its trade wastes by the present method immediately and should be ordered to report to the staff of the Department as to the method chosen for disposal.

Respectfully submitted,

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