DEPARTMENTAL MISSION

To reduce the risk of illness or injury to people who come to the University of Mississippi to work, study, learn or visit, by developing, implementing, enhancing and improving programs that provide training, guidance, technical expertise and support services to all campus activities and programs, while assuring compliance with environmental regulations.

DEPARTMENTAL GOALS

To contribute to an atmosphere of cooperation and mutual support for other departments and personnel, to anticipate and to respond to the needs of others and to provide quality services in a safe and healthy work environment.

SUCCESS IN ACHIEVING GOALS

No major accidents or injuries involving hazardous materials occurred on the campus. State Inspectors found no violations during reviews of this department’s procedures, facilities and records.

PROGRAM MODIFICATIONS

Service requests, departmental evaluations, forms and regulations were made available through the Web. A program was established to package and ship hazardous materials on common carriers. The University incinerator received an operational exemption for the continued destruction of non-medical wastes.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

W. Scott Rone was assigned the responsibilities of the Radiation Safety Officer.

FUTURE GOALS AND PROSPECTS

During FY 2000 we will begin an off-site contract for the disposal of medical waste, initiate on line safety training classes, establish and enforce laser safety protocols, and merge Health and Safety with the Physical Plant Department.