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CH2M HILL Alumni Newsletter Editor(s)
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Dear Alumni Newsletter Editor(s):

Subject: **Company Name Change**

I am a former CH2M HILL employee (1971-1982). I was hired by Clair A. Hill and Associates (in Redding, California, a small town of 16,000), the year that Clair A. Hill and Associates was in the process of merging with CH2M. My first position with the firm was that of Word Processing Supervisor (1971-1978); then Office Services Manager (1978-1982); as well as Firmwide Word Processing Coordinator for the then 34 offices throughout the United States (1975-1982).

I read the last alumni newsletter a few weeks ago and was saddened by the announcement that, "We are over the Hill and have changed our name to CH2M." For those of us who knew Clair Hill and worked directly with him, we have many wonderful memories of him. I am fearful that there is a possibility that what this great man did for the small town of Redding and the State of California (and whose engineering influence ultimately was felt throughout the world), may be lost by no longer being recognized by having his name be a part of the Corporation.

Not only was Clair recognized as a major contributor to California's water supply planning and management by serving for 32 years on the California Water Commission (18 of those years as its chairman), but in 1998 he was one of eight civil engineers Nationwide to receive a Honorary Lifetime Membership in the American Society of Civil Engineers. In addition, the dam at Whiskeytown National Recreation Area (located just west of Redding) was renamed by Congressional Resolution to "Clair A. Hill Whiskeytown Dam" to honor his life's work.

Those of us who are left who knew him will, of course, never forget him for as long as we live. I hope that his name also will never be forgotten by the employees of CH2M as you continue to grow and prosper, for indeed his mighty contributions helped to make CH2M what it is today.

Respectfully,

Penny Garrett

Penny (Irani) Garrett "And Friends"

Shirley A. McCarthy
1967-1980

Donna Parnell (emp # 2413)

Louise Dibble (emp. # 2139)
Jenda J Lick 1973-1999