

**RESCINDED BY BUILDINGS
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THE CITY OF NEW YORK
HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 20, 1974

TO: BOROUGH SUPERINTENDENTS

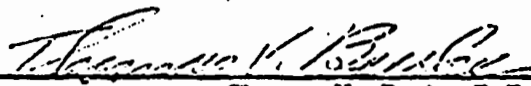
FROM: Director of Operations, Thomas V. Burke, P.E.

SUBJECT: Mechanical Means of Demolition
Re: Permits for Demolition Contracts awarded by HDA

There have been previous agreements with the Department of Development concerning approval of mechanical means of demolition. In some cases mechanical demolition was permitted only with prior approval of the Department of Development, in other cases involving mechanical means employed to break up floor slabs, prior approval was not required.

We have been advised by the Department of Development that these permissive approvals have been abused by some segments of the industry.

In the interest of maximum safety and in compliance with a request by the Department of Development, no permits for mechanical means of demolition under contracts made with the Department of Development shall be issued unless requested in writing by the Department of Development.


Thomas V. Burke, P.E.
Director of Operations

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cc: Director of Demolition, S.B. Feller
Chief Construction Inspectors