

UA Will Provide Ash Cover at Present City Dump

FAIRBANKS — The University of Alaska will provide ash from its heating plant for cover of the present city dump as long as it's needed, Richard Moriarty, director of the university's physical plant, said.

The dump was reopened Tuesday after an agreement had been reached between the City of Fairbanks, Fairbanks North Star Borough and the state for a sanitary operation. Earlier it had been condemned and closed by the state.

Formal announcement of the

agreement was made by Mayor Julian C. Rice at a special council meeting attended by Max Brewer, the state's commissioner of environmental conservation.

Under terms of the agreement, a new land fill is to be started on top of the old and compacted and covered at the end of each day with a minimum of six inches of cover material.

At a meeting of the ad hoc committee considering the dump crisis, Moriarty offered to provide ash for cover to the existing dump, which helped to

resolve the problem. Cover material is scarce in the winter.

"Without his (Moriarty's) help in providing fill and moving it to the place where it's needed, I don't think the problem could have been solved," said the mayor at the council meeting.

"I think the people of Fairbanks will be well served" by the dump operation agreed to, said Brewer at the meeting.

Dr. Timothy Tilsworth, head of the university's Environmental Health Program, served as a member of the ad hoc com-

mittee, which also received the thanks of the mayor.

Details of the arrangement to provide ash are to be worked out by Moriarty and Ed Martin, the city's director of public works.

The university uses the dump and was obliged to do what it could in the emergency, said Moriarty.