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BIOGRAPHICAL DATA SHEET

NAME: Grady E. McCright

ORAL HISTORY: 7 March 2000
8 March 2000 (with Robert R. Tillett)

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

Texarkana College, Texarkana, Texas, 1961 - 1962
Texas Technical College (Texas Tech University) 1962 - 1963
B.S. Little Rock University, 1964 - 1966
PMD Graduate School of Business Administration, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1986

NASA CAREER:

Manned Spaceflight Center/Johnson Space Center, White Sands Test Facility, White Sands, New Mexico
Propulsion Engineer, Energy and System Control Branch (1966-1970)
Technical Monitor, Project Engineer, and System Engineer, Electrical and Data Systems Branch (1973 – 1978)
Chief, Electrical and Data Systems Branch (1979 - 1981)
Chief, Technical Support Office (1981 - 1984)
Manager, White Sands Test Facility (1994 - 1995)

Manned Spaceflight Center/Johnson Space Center, Houston, Texas
Technician, Space Environmental Simulation Laboratory/Data and Electronics Systems (1970-1973)
Chief, Plant Engineering Division (1984 - 1986)
Deputy Director, Center Operations (1986 – April 1993)
Director, Center Operations (April 1993 – June 1994)

PROFESSIONAL & HONORARY SOCIETIES:

- Registered Professional Engineer in Texas, No. 35221
- Member, Texas Society of Professional Engineers
- President, JSC chapter of the National Management Association

AWARDS & CITATIONS:

- Cost Reduction Awards
- ACE Award, 1976
- Outstanding Young Men of America, 1978
- Superior Performance Award, 1979
- Special Achievement Award, 1982

- Exceptional Service Medal, 1982
- JSC Certificate of Commendation, NASA Outstanding Leadership, 1992
- Presidential Rank Award of Meritorious Executive, 1993

BIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES:

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