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Re: Docket DMA-1672

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Mr. W. H. Flickinger
108 Florence Avenue
Medford, Oregon

Dear Mr. Flickinger:

Your application (DMA-1672) for a direct Government loan of $124,550 to equip and operate a mine in Tulare County, California, has been reviewed by the Lead-Zinc Branch of the Defense Minerals Administration.

On the basis of the evidence submitted with your application, we must conclude that your proven ore reserve of lead is insufficient to justify the expenditure of Government funds proposed for your project. I regret, therefore, that your application for a direct loan cannot be approved.

As most of your proposal may be considered as exploration and development work, you may be interested in making application for assistance under the Government's present exploration program. This program requires that the applicant, in the case of lead and zinc deposits, furnish one-half of the total cost of the project. The funds furnished by the Government are considered a loan, to be repaid if the project is profitable, but to be cancelled if unsuccessful. The Government's share of the cost is repaid to the operator at the end of each full calendar month for the work performed and costs incurred during the preceeding month. Further information is enclosed.

If you are interested in participating, please fill out in detail and return four of the enclosed copies of Form MF-103, "Application for Aid for an Exploration Project". Particular attention should be paid to detail in completing items 21 and 23 of this form. Any additional information, such as maps, assays, drilling logs, etc., which has not already been submitted, should accompany the application.

Any modification of your original proposal that you may wish to make will be considered, but you should be specific concerning the work you wish to undertake.

Very truly yours,

Gunnard Johnson

J. P. Billings, Chief
Lead-Zinc Branch

Enclosures

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