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AUG 28 1951

Mr. Tom G. C. Mulkern
P. O. Box 542
Las Vegas, Nevada

Re: DMA-724, Mica

Dear Mr. Mulkern:

Replying to your wire of August 22, 1951, we regret that this office is unable to approve Government assistance for development or operation of your mica deposit unless it can be definitely established that the deposit contains appreciable quantities of mica, qualifying as strategic under National Stockpile Specifications. Any development and operation loan must be backed by proven reserves adequate to assure repayment.

Exploration assistance under MO-5 may be granted on a prospect without proven reserves, however, it must be demonstrated that the deposit contains material qualifying as strategic grade and that there is a reasonable probability of discovering substantial amounts of such material by the proposed exploration.

The data which you submitted in connection with subject application was carefully studied by this office and by appropriate specialists in the U. S. Geological Survey and the Bureau of Mines. We cannot approve a loan for operation of the deposit in its present state of development; however, if you wish to apply for exploration assistance under MO-5, and submit samples of mica from the deposit which qualify as strategic under National Stockpile Specifications, we will be glad to give such an application our very careful consideration.

We enclose National Stockpile Specifications P-32a and data on quality specifications of sheet muscovite for your information. Please note that non-ruby (green) mica does not qualify. We also enclose information on the Exploration Program and appropriate application forms, should you wish to so apply.

Sincerely yours,

Tom Lyon

Tom Lyon, Director
Supply Division

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AUG 16 1951

Mr. Tom C. C. Mulkern
P. O. Box 542
Las Vegas, Nevada

Re: DMA-724-Mica

Dear Mr. Mulkern:

Your application for Government loan to equip and operate mica deposit in Clark County, Nevada, docketed as DMA-724, has been reviewed by this office.

Projects approved by the Defense Minerals Administration must, in its judgment, show definite promise of yielding material of acceptable grade, physic l character and specifications, in quantities that will significantly improve the mineral supply position for National Defense. Where a production loan is involved, an adequate mineral reserves must be proven to assure the economic feasibility of the project with respect to repayment.

A very careful study of your proposal revealed the following:

1. Mica samples submitted, although of a quality acceptable for many uses by the electrical industry and hence having commercial value, did not qualify as strategic grade material under National Stockpile Specifications, and therefore did not indicate that the project would qualify for approval by the Defense Minerals Administration.

2. No data has been submitted to establish that more than very minor amounts, if any, of strategic grade material might be produced by the proposed operation.

3. Proven mineral reserves (strategic or otherwise) adequate to assure the feasibility of the project with respect to repayment, have not been established.

Under these circumstances, your request for a Government loan in the amount of $371,550.00, is denied. Should additional

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information become available, we would be glad to have you resubmit your proposal for consideration.

Unless we receive a request within thirty days, we shall consider the case closed.

Sincerely yours,

Tom Lyon

Tom Lyon, Director
Supply Division

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Memorandum

To: Reports and Records Unit, DMA

From: Chief, Industrial Minerals Branch, DMA

Subject: DMA-724, Tom G. C. Mulkern
Commodity: Mica
Amount of loan: $371,550

Denial recommended because:

1. Adequate reserves not proven.

2. Mica samples submitted were not of strategic grade.

Attached:

1. Form NSRB-146 with Appendix "A"
2. Letter dated Aug. 1
3. Letter with samples from applicant dated Aug. 7.
4. Brochure-Appendix "B" (Please note that Mr. Mulkern requests that same is returned).

James A. Barr, Sr.

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July 1?, 1951

Mr. Earl G. Schulz
Nevada Pacific Exploration Co.
Box 1226, McGill, Nevada

Re: DMA - 7451 Tungsten
Sacramento Pass Property

Dear Mr. Schulz:

This letter is in reply to yours of June 15, 1951, addressed to Dr. James Boyd, Director, Defense Minerals Administration, asking for reconsideration of your application for a Government loan.

This application was denied because the project appeared to have little chance of success in finding commercial deposits of scheelite ore and because of your inability to contribute your 25% share of the cost as estimated.

There appears to be no reason for changing the decision and your request is therefore denied.

Very truly yours,

Tom Lyon
Director, Supply Division

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July 10, 1951

Memorandum

To: Administrative Management Division

Through: Director, Supply Division

From: Tungsten Branch

Subject: DMA - 745X Tungsten
Sacramento Pass Property
White Pine County, Nevada

Earl J. Schulz
Nevada Pacific Exploration Co.
McGill, Nevada.

Application was denied, per advice to your office dated June 6, 1951. Applicant then addressed a letter to Dr. James Boyd, Director DMA, dated June 15, 1951, requesting reconsideration. This request is denied on the ground that the project appears to have little chance of finding commercial deposits and that the applicant is not prepared to contribute his share of the cost.

George B. Holderer
Chief, Tungsten Branch

Approved:

Director, Supply Division

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Memorandum

To: Administrative Management Division

Through: Director, Supply Division

From: Manganese Branch

Subject: DMA-746
Aguila Manganese Co.
c/o Fred Seifert & Lucian W. Smith
3334 W. 14th St.
Oakland, California

The applicants application for a loan of $144,892.00 from the Government, is denied because exploratory work done during World War II shows insufficient reserves to warrant the construction of the proposed mill for which the loan application was submitted.

The applicants reserves average 20 per cent manganese which is marketable without further concentration to commercial firms. In the near future the Government's depot at Deming will be in a position to receive ores such as this.

George B. Holderer

George B. Holderer
Chief, Manganese Branch

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Approved:

Director, Supply Division

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July 24, 1951

Aguila Manganese Co.
c/o Fred Seifert & Lucian W. Smith
3334 E. 14th Street
Oakland, California

In reply please refer to:
DMA-746 — Manganese

Gentlemen:

Your loan application has received careful consideration from the Defense Minerals Administration. It is our opinion that in view of the limited ore reserves proved in exploration operations during World War II a concentration plant is unwarranted. Therefore we regretfully deny your application.

We wish to advise you that an ore depot at Deming will be set up in the near future to receive your type ore. Also you might explore the possibility of a direct sale of your ore to such people as Geneva Steel Co., Lone Star Steel Co., or Kaiser at Fontana. Any of these consumers would be a potential market for run of mine material without beneficiation.

Very truly yours,

Tom Lyon
Director, Supply Division