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The records contained in this file are marked (x) and arranged in this order:

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- [ ] Royalty Audits
- [ ] Certification of Discovery
- [ ] Closing Letter
- [ ] Cost Audits
- [ ] Termination Notice or Agreement
- [ ] Recision Notice
- [ ] Assignment of Contract
- [ ] Contract Amendments
- [ ] Contract with all exhibits and annexes
- [ ] Owner's Consent to Lien and Subordination Agreement
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- [ ] Work Completed Analysis (final)
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- [ ] Field Team Semiannual Report for Certified Project
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- [ ] Operator's Final Report (Tab)
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- [ ] Project Summary (Interim) by MME Engineers

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- [ ] Field Team Interim Reports
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Folders No. _____: Maps (Use pocket folder or envelope)

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UNITED STATES
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OFFICE OF MINERALS EXPLORATION
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
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June 10, 1968

Memorandum

To: Chief, Office of Minerals Exploration

From: Field Officer, Region I

Subject: Transmitting new application (Silver-Gold)
Robert M. McMurtrey
McMurtrey Claims
Bonneville County, Idaho

Enclosed is an application for OME assistance to explore for silver and gold in secs. 3 and 4, T. 2 N., R. 41 E., Bonneville County, Idaho.

The applicant states that he owns 12 claims by right of location and that they are on land that was homesteaded under the Homestead Grazing Act. The homestead was granted for surface and water rights only.

Conferring with the Spokane office of BLM, I was given their Circular No. 2149, which says on pages 10 and 11, under Subject 3432 in effect that before mineral entry or claim can be made on a patented homestead from which minerals have been reserved to the Government one or another of the following conditions must be met:

1. Mineral deposits on the homesteaded land "shall be subject to disposal by the United States in accordance with the provisions of the coal and mineral land laws in force at the time of such disposal."

2. Mineral locator shall compensate the homesteader "for all damages to crops, etc."

3. Before mining, the claim owner must secure the written consent or waiver from the "homesteader, or must pay the homesteader for damages . . . under agreement." Or, in lieu of either of these, he must post a bond on Form 4-684. There is more, but these items indicate that an interpretation as to the validity of the mineral locations could be a complicated procedure; the applicant gives no evidence that he has BLM authorization to make mineral entry, nor has he presented any document to indicate that he has the written consent of the homesteaders.

The only work done to date has been limited to test pits for assessment work. Apparently several samples from widely spaced locations were combined to make one composite sample which was assayed showing 0.02 ounce gold and 11.80 ounces silver per ton; specific sample locations are not shown on the map.

No data are given to justify the applicant's expectation of finding a bedded deposit that will be a "large high grade long term mine." From the entire Bonneville County from 1915 through 1959 the total production of metals has amounted to $58,177 in gold, $66 in silver, and $318 in copper. These figures are given by C. N. Savage in Idaho Bureau of Mines and Geology County Report No. 5 (1961): Geology and Mineral Resources of Bonneville County (p. 52 and 53). Most, if not all, of this production came from the Carbon City area, some 30 miles to the southeast of the applicant's claims.

The indicated lengths, widths, and depths of the proposed trenching and stripping operations are excessive. Before they could be considered, the applicant should be advised of the restoration of scarred land requirements.

The applicant's concept of how he will furnish his share of the costs suggests that he does not understand that OME funds are made available on a reimbursement basis. However, if he has sufficient funds to carry on alone for the first two months it might work out.

D. R. MacLaren

D. R. MacLaren

Enclosure

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN MINERALS EXPLORATION

Pursuant to Public Law 85–701 (72 Stat. 700; 30 U.S.C. 641)

NAME OF APPLICANT *(Full legal name and mailing address as they should appear on contract if one is executed.)*

Robert M. McMurtrey
1281 Elmore Avenue
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401

APPLICANT DO NOT USE THIS BLOCK

DOCKET NUMBER 6-13-68

DATE RECEIVED 6733

REGION I

DIVISION CODE

BUSINESS ORGANIZATION *(Check one)*

- INDIVIDUAL [+]
- CORPORATION [ ]
- PARTNERSHIP [ ]
- OTHER *(Specify)* [ ]

STATE IN WHICH FIRM IS ORGANIZED: Idaho

LIST CORPORATE OFFICERS OR PARTNERS HERE, IF APPLICABLE

NAME	ADDRESS	TITLE
None		

MINERAL(S) FOR WHICH YOU WISH TO EXPLORE: Silver & Gold

ESTIMATED COST OF PROJECT: $ 250,000.00

PROPERTY NAME	LOCATION COUNTY	STATE
McMurtrey	Bonneville	Idaho

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Before filling out this application, please read the *OME Regulations for Obtaining Federal Assistance in Financing Explorations for Mineral Reserves* (30 CFR Chap. III). To assure prompt action, your application must provide all applicable material and information specified on the back of this application form. Avoid unnecessary correspondence and delays by submitting complete and accurate information. *Please submit two copies of this application and all accompanying papers* except as otherwise noted. Place your name and address on each sheet. Each item of information, maps, and reports required as a part of this application is described on the back of this form. Identify each attached statement by the item number to which it applies. If an item does not apply to your application, show the item number on your statement and after it write "not applicable." Maps or sketches should be used to supplement narrative descriptions of the property location and boundaries in item 2, existing mine workings and geology in item 3, and the proposed exploration work in item 5. When this information is not too complex, all of it may be shown on one map or sketch. All documents and other attachments submitted as a part of this application, except those in item 3(g) which you mark to be returned, become the property of the Government and will not be returned to the applicant. Send true copies, *not originals*, of leases, contracts, and other documents which are an essential part of your business records. *File this application with the Office of Minerals Exploration, Department of the Interior,* ~~Washington 25, D.C., or with the nearest OME Field Office.~~ Washington, D. C., 20242, or with the nearest OME Field Office.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, whether as an individual, corporate officer, partner, or otherwise, both in his own behalf and acting for the applicant, certifies that the information set forth in this form and accompanying papers is correct and complete, to the best of his knowledge and belief, and that he would not ordinarily undertake the proposed exploration under current conditions and circumstances at his sole expense.

June 4, 1968
DATED

Robert M. McMurtrey
BY *(Signature)*

Owner
TITLE

A wilfully false statement or certification to any Department or Agency of the United States Government is a criminal offense. U. S. Code, Title 18, Sec. 1001.

INFORMATION REQUIRED WITH THIS APPLICATION

1. Financial Eligibility:

(a) Submit evidence of efforts made within 90 days preceding the filing of this application to obtain credit from your bank of account and at least one other banking institution or other private source of credit. Such evidence shall include true copies of correspondence which show: (1) date of loan request, (2) amount and terms requested, (3) proposed use of loan funds, and (4) the replies from credit sources. If the loan was offered under terms which you consider unreasonable, state why you consider them so.

(b) List names and addresses of affiliated, parent, or controlling companies or organizations and state extent and nature of their interest.

(c) State how you propose to furnish your share of the cost of the exploration work.

2. Applicant's Rights in Land:

(a) State your interest in the land and mineral rights, whether owner, lessee, purchaser under contract, or other. If you are not the owner, submit one true copy of the lease, contract, or other document (with address of owner) under which you control the property. Describe all liens, mortgages, or other encumbrances on the land and state book and page number and official place where recorded.

(b) State the legal description (section, township, and range; metes and bounds; patent number of claims) of the land upon which you wish to explore and all adjacent land which you own or control. Describe any part of the land or workings which should not be subject to Government royalty and liens. If the land consists of unpatented claims, state book and page number for each recorded location notice, including amended locations, and official place where recorded. State all the names by which you know the property.

(c) For all land or mineral rights encumbered or not owned, submit five copies of Lien and Subordination Agreements on MME Form 52. If the agreements cannot be obtained, state reasons and provide copies of letters of refusal.

3. Physical Description:

(a) Describe in detail and illustrate with maps or sketches all mining or exploration operations which you know have been or are being conducted upon the land. Include existing mine workings and all production facilities.

(b) State your interest, if any, in operations described in (a).

(c) State, if you know, the past and current production, supporting your statement with copies of settlement sheets, mine records, or published data if available.

(d) Describe known ore reserves, giving quantities and grades and sampling methods used. Support your statement with copies of assay certificates and assay maps if available.

(e) Describe by narrative and maps or sketches the geologic features of the property, including ore minerals, geologic formations if known, and type of deposit (vein, bedded, etc.).

(f) State your reasons for expecting to find ore, and if you have sampled the area you propose to explore, show where the samples were taken, describe sampling methods used, and provide copies of assay certificates.

(g) Send with your application at least *two* copies of all geologic or engineering reports, assay maps, or technologic information which you have, indicating whether you require their return.

4. Accessibility of Property:

(a) To aid the OME representative who may examine the property, state name and address of person who will meet him; give directions for reaching the property; and describe accessibility of property and of any mine workings.

(b) Name the shipping and supply points and state the distances to the property.

5. Exploration Work:

(a) Describe fully the proposed exploration work giving individual footages and sizes of open[illegible] *for each item of work.* Use narrative, maps, plans, and sections as necessary. Show location of the proposed work as related to geologic features such as veins, ore-bearing beds, contacts of rock formations, etc. Show also the relation of the proposed work to any existing mine workings and to *land boundaries* or to the closest identifiable corner.

(b) If an access road must be built, show the proposed location on the property map and state the length, type and construction methods proposed.

(c) If an OME contract is executed, state how soon thereafter work would be started and finished. State your anticipated average daily or monthly rate of progress for each type of work.

6. Experience:

State your operating experience and background to conduct this exploration work and also that of the person who will supervise the work.

7. Estimate of Costs:

Furnish detailed estimates of the necessary costs *for each item of the work proposed in 5(a)* under the headings listed below with a total for each heading and the estimated total cost of the work. Costs for any work to be performed by an independent contractor should be listed separately under category (a) below. Costs for any work that is not to be performed by an independent contractor should be listed under categories (b) through (g).

(a) Independent contracts. State the total cost of any proposed independent contract for all or any part of the work, and the number of units and the unit cost for each type of work, such as per foot of drilling, per foot of drifting, per hour of bulldozer operations, or per cubic yard of material moved. Cost estimates should be supported by bids from three contractors if possible. (*Note*—If none of the work is to be contracted, write "none" after this item.)

(b) Personal services. The cost of supervision, engineering and geological services, outside consultants, and labor should be itemized by numbers and classes of employees; rates of wages, salaries or fees; and periods of employment. State whether these services are available.

(c) Operating materials and supplies. List items of material and supplies giving quantity and cost of each. Include under this heading power, water, and fuel, and units of equipment and tools costing less than $50 each.

(d) Operating equipment. List items of equipment and tools costing $50 or more per unit. Give specifications and indicate how each item is to be acquired—i.e., rented, purchased or provided by the applicant. If rented or purchased, state the estimated rental or purchase price. If furnished by the applicant, state condition and present fair market value.

(e) Initial rehabilitation and repairs. Describe the type and the cost of *initial* rehabilitation or repair of existing buildings, fixtures, installations (exclusive of mine workings), and movable operating equipment now owned by the applicant which will be used in the exploration work.

(f) New buildings, fixtures, installations. Describe each building, fixed improvement, and installation to be purchased, constructed, or installed for the exploration work, stating specifications and cost including labor, materials, and supervision.

(g) Miscellaneous. Describe the type and estimate the cost of repairs and maintenance of the operating equipment listed in 7(d). Do not repeat initial repairs listed in 7(e). Show also the costs of analytical work, accounting, workmen's compensation and employees' liability insurance, payroll taxes, and other required costs that do not fall within the previous categories. [*Note*—The Government will not contribute to costs incurred before the date of the contract, or to costs of or incident to: (1) acquiring, using, or possessing land and any existing improvements, facilities, buildings, installations, and appurtenances, or the depreciation and depletion thereof; (2) general overhead, corporate management, interest and taxes (other than payroll and sales taxes); (3) insurance (other than employees' liability insurance); and (4) damages to persons or property (other than authorized repair to or replacement of equipment or other property used in the work).]

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May 27, 1968

First Security Bank
396 Park Avenue
Idaho Falls, Idaho

Attention: Mr. Vaughn G. Nelson

Dear Sir,

I have some very favorable mining property consisting of twelve claims, containing very favorable reports from assayers in gold and silver, with possibility of other minerals.

I would need approximately Two Hundred Fifty Thousand dollars for the exploration of veins and deposits to be able to develope this property for mining operations.

Would it be possible to obtain assistance for exploration for this project?

Respectfully Yours,

Robert M. McMurtrey

Robert M. McMurtrey

First Security Bank of Idaho
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
IDAHO FALLS OFFICE

IDAHO FALLS, IDAHO

May 31, 1968

Mr. Robert M. McMurtrey
1281 Elmore Avenue
Idaho Falls, Idaho

Dear Mr. McMurtrey:

This is in reply to your letter of May 27, 1968 wherein you asked for a loan of approximately $250,000.00 for the exploration of veins and deposits in some mining interests which you have.

I am sorry that we cannot be of assistance as we are not interested in this type of loan, but we would like to thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

V. C. Nelson
Vice President

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May 27, 1968

Bank Of Commerce
1020 Northgate Mile
Idaho Falls, Idaho

Attention: Mr. Guy H. Jolley

Dear Sir,

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Robert M. McMurtrey

THE BANK OF COMMERCE

1020 NORTHGATE MILE
205 A STREET

P.O. BOX 1887 • IDAHO FALLS, IDAHO 83401

GUY H. JOLLEY
ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT

May 29,1968

Mr. Robert M. McMurtrey
1201 Elmore Avenue
Idaho Falls, Idaho

Dear Mr. McMurtrey:

Your request for a loan to be used for the exploration and development of mining properties was reviewed by our loan committee today.

We are sorry to inform you that we are not in a position at the present time to make loans for this type of venture. For this reason, we must decline your request.

Very truly yours,

Guy H. Jolley

Guy H. Jolley
Assistant Vice President

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Defination

That I would not be able to do this Exploration work without assistance, that the OME Field Representative could get the necessary directions to the Property by contacting Robert M. McMurtrey 1281 Elmore, Idaho Falls, Idaho. Phone 523-1766. That I would rent additional equipment to finish work on schedule, if necessary. That I will furnish any other information required.

1. Financial Eligilibity:

(a) Letters enclosed from Banks at Idaho Falls for a $250,000 loan to explore this property.

(b) None.

(c) By leasing suitable equipment with Goverment funds. I'll furnish all labor and fuel for this equipment, not to exceed 25% of the total cost. Example: Rental on Bulldozer with rock rippers $16.50 per hour, my labor as operator $4.50 per hour. Fuel for dozer, estimated 6 gal per hour, price per gal 17 cents, $1.02 Goverment cost.

$16.50 Rental per hour for Bulldozer
$ 4.50 Operators labor
$ 1.02 Fuel per hour
22.02 5.50 3

Total Project
$149,863.76
40,871.93
9,264.31
$200,000.00 = 9,083 hours
1,135 shifts

2. Applicant's Rights in Land

(a) By 12 location notices or claims in accordance with Homestead Grazing Act, filed and recorded in the Bonneville County Courthouse at Idaho Falls. All details submitted on map or drawing are enclosed. There are no leans, mortgages or partnerships on this property.

(b) All legal descriptions, sections, townships, and micro-film numbers of claims enclosed on map or drawing. I have done no mining or work on this property other than the necessary work involved in the location of claims and boundaries and the affidavit of annual representation consisting of an excavation of approximately 20 ft.by 24 ft. 12 foot deep. This work done at a cost of $1384.00 Affidavit of annual representation, Micro-film No. 379807 recorded at Bonneville County Courthouse.

(c) That there are no records of any Mineral Right's with the Deed's to these Propertys on record in the Bonneville County Courthouse. Records indicate that these Property's involved were Homesteaded under the Homestead Grazing Act, in the year of 1918, and also state that Homestead's were given the land and water only. That the propertys were Homestead under the names of Walter and Pheob Scholes and William and Serra Ann Lawson, 1918-1925.

3. Physical Description

(a) There have been no mining or exploration by me or any other person other than the annual assesment described in 2 (a).

(b) Sole owner of 12 unpatented claims.

(c) None.

(d) I have sent samples of Ore at 2 different areas combined into one sample ? with an assayed value of 11.80 oz. Silver and 70 cents Gold, assayed by the company of Crimson & Nicols, assayers & chemist, Salt Lake City, Utah. These samples were obtained at a depth of 6 feet, just under the over burden that the samples were taken at 2 different areas, approximately 2500 feet apart, indicated on enclosed map. Other floats or samples found approximately 900 feet beyond the 2500 foot sample, these samples have not been assayed.

(e) There have been no maps or sketches made of these propertys. This Ore would seem to be a bedded Deposit rather than a vein. (The formation is described as Limonite (iron oxide) Calcite (calcium carbonate) by Idaho Bureau Mines & Geology, University of Idaho., Moscow, Idaho.

(f) I have reason to believe that this property has a very large Potential as a high grade long term mine, due to the distance of Ore apart on the property and the favorable assays taken of the Ore samples, by confident assayers & chemists, all samples indicated and were found, indicated on enclosed map.

(g) One assay report enclosed.

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4. Accessibility of Prorerty:

(a) Approximately 50% of this property is accessible by automobile by the use of an unimproved dirt road which connects with a graded improved county road approximately 3 miles South West of property. A graded improved county road crosses the corner of 1 claim 3/4 of a mile to the North of Area #1, indicated on inclosed map.

(b) Railroad at Ririe, Idaho, small town 14 miles West of property. Idaho Falls, Idaho 26 miles West of property, city of 35,000 population. Commercial smelter Murry, Utah, approximately 235 miles from property.

5. Exploration Work:

(a) The proposed Exploration would consist of two primary areas listed on where Ore has been found. Areas listed as Area #1, Area #2 and a secondary area listed as Area #3. Method of exploration, to cross cut the vein or bed at intervals to determine the length and with in each direction East, West, North, or South, etc; and to remove over burden to a depth sufficient to obtain accurate samples below the Oxidation Zone, possibily 30 feet deep, to proceed along the edges of the vein at a sufficient width to obtain a depth of 20 to 30 feet without danger of cave ins. Area #1 would consist of an excavation approximately 300 feet wide and 800 feet long and as deep as necessary to test the value of Ore and amount of Ore available. Estimated cost $100,000. Estimated time involved 1 season or approximately 6 months working time, preferably May to November 1, months suitable to weather, with out extreme frost and snow conditions. Area #2, the proposed exploration would be much the same as Area #1 with the exceptions that some drilling and blasting would be necessary to obtain samples; and that the excavation would be slightly larger, approximately 900 feet long and 500 feet wide; and a suitable depth to obtain samples. If adequate amount of valuable Ore is found in this area, then a core drilling project would be advisable to determine the depth of Ore beyond any other exploration already performed with a bulldozer; or to a necessary depth to obtain information, as the depth not to exceed 500 to 600 feet.
It would be necessary to move the over-burden farther in this area to dispose of same. Estimated cost based on time involved for hourly rental of equipment and man hours worked $125,000. Approximately 1 year time would be sufficient. Area #3 would consist of some excavation to determine if all 3 areas or veins connect; if no evidence is found to this effect there, this area should be terminated in favor of the most favorable of the other two areas. Estimated cost $25,000. 6 months time, unless terminated.

(b) No road building would be undertaken at this time, or under the exploration contract.

(c) Ten to Fifteen days would be required to make arrangements for rental equipment and to have same delivered to job site

6. Experience

That I have adequate on the job experience in the operation of earth moving equipment, such as bulldozer, cat and can, front end loaders and dump trucks, and experience in the stripping, loading, and hauling of Pumice Stone for Pumice Incorparated, Ammon, Idaho. I also have experience in compressor drilling and blasting of (lava rock) Idaho Falls Power Plant Project.
That only experienced operators for each equipment necessary would be hired.

7. Estimate of Cost:

That this work would be performed on an rental per hour base for the necessary equipment and a man hour base for labor. That no fringe benefits or premium rentals would be involved. The only contracts involved would be for core drilling, which would be submitted on bids from 3 reliable drilling

companies. This would be undertaken only if necessary or advisable for a project of this nature. All estimates for these 3 areas listed under Exploration Work #5, also on enclosed map.

(a) None, other than core drilling explained in preceding paragraph above.

(b) None other than recommended by OME Field Representative.

(c) None

(d) Rented Bulldozer with Rock Rippers $16.50 per hour, this would include any machine such as, Caterpillar D-8, I.H.C. 20-24-or 25, A.C. 21, etc. Straight Rental (not rental purchase.)

(e) That the repair of rented equipment is the responsibility of the person or company involved in rental of said equipment, and the said persons or companys agree, in case of break downs or repair to furnish machines of comparable size or rating; that the owner of this mining project would be responsible for rented equipment (only) to the extent of serviceing; such as oil, greasing, etc.

(f) That a Mobile Home would be more favorable in (cost) and would provide sleeping and cooking facilities for operators while on the job. Estimated cost $4800.

(g) That the equipment will be repaired by the persons or company who submitt these machines for rental. That all accounts or records will be kept, by myself or a member of my immediate family. Liability Insurance will be obtained to cover entire operation, all machines will be covered for there value by the companys or persons, submitting them for rental.

R. R. CASTO P. M. CRISMON ORRIN FISHER HAROLD E. CULVER

CRISMON & NICHOLS

ASSAYERS AND CHEMISTS

229-231 SOUTH WEST TEMPLE STREET

PHONE 3-7417 P. O. Box 1708

REPORT OF ASSAY

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH July 15, 1954

Robert Mc Murtrey

WE HAVE ASSAYED YOUR one SAMPLES AND FIND it TO CONTAIN AS FOLLOWS:

DESCRIPTION	NO.	OZS. GOLD PER TON	OZS. SILVER PER TON	PER CENT LEAD	PER CENT COPPER	PER CENT ZINC	PER CENT INSOL.	PER CENT IRON	PER CENT	VALUE OF GOLD PER TON
	14	0.02	11.80							70¢

REMARKS:

CHARGES $ 1.00 Paid

CRISMON & NICHOLS

BY: [signature]

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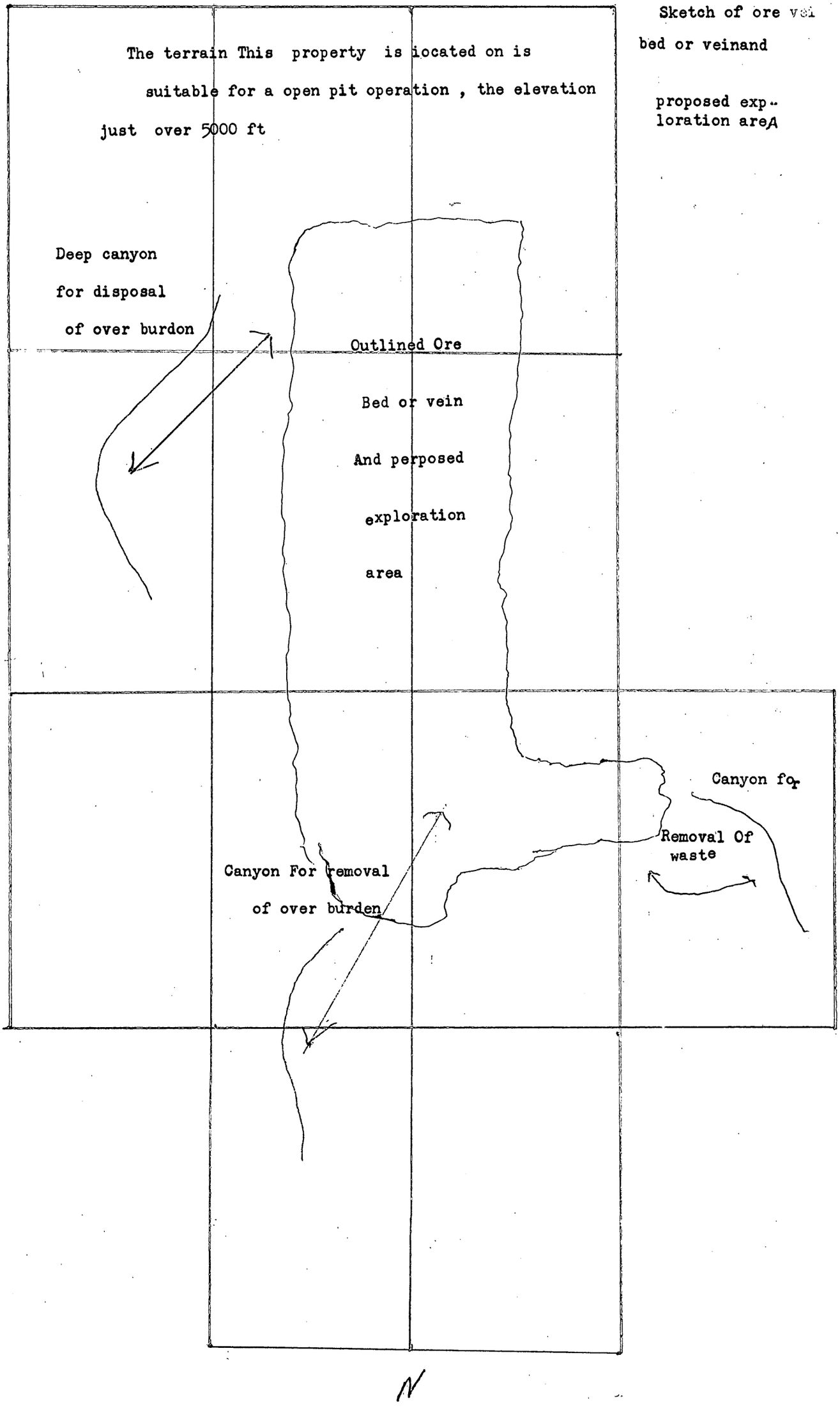
Sketch of ore vei
bed or veinand

proposed exp-
loration areA

The terrain This property is iocated on is
suitable for a open pit operation , the elevation
just over 5000 ft



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Improved County Road
Approx 3 Miles

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Foot Note

Area # 2 Approx

500 ft Wide 900 long

Area# 1 Approx

300 Wide 800 Long

Area No 2

Discovery Monument

Ore Found Here

Estisamated Cost Of Exploration

$ 125'ooo

Area # 3

Limited Excivation To Determine

Its Connection

With Area # 1

Unimproved Dirt Road To Point Of This Arrow

W.

Area # 1

Estimated Cost

$ 1oo,ooo

Ore Found Here

Area # 3

Ore Found

Estimated Cost

$25,ooo

Improved County Road

Indicated By Arrow

Indicated By Aa

Electric Power Lines

US Hiway 26 6 miles

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South

Fantasy 386170	Julia Fern # 2 Book 3 Page 457	Grandpappy 370857
	Bonneville County Sec 4 T 2n Range 41	
Depression 386171	Julia Fern #1 Book 3 Page 455	Grasshopper 370860

East

West

	Boneville County Sec 3 T 2n Range 41		
Dreamer 386169	Jim Bean 370859	Destry 370858	Down Yonder 386168
	Badger 374328	Cottontail 374327	

Footnote

These are the names and micro-film numbers of the twelve claims shown of this mining property; as recorded at the Bonneville County Courthouse Idaho Falls, Idaho.

This property located in Bonneville County under Section 3 and 4 2 North Range 41.

Each location notice listed, is approximately 600 feet wide and 1500 feet long; measured with tape, not surveyed.

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"	Johnson	110
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January 7, 1969

Memorandum

To: The File

From: William L. Emerick, Office of Minerals Exploration

Subject: OME-6733 (Silver-Gold)
Robert M. McMurtrey
Scholes and Lawson Homesteads
Bonneville County, Idaho

The Applicant has not replied to our letter of December 3, 1968. Accordingly, the subject docket is referred to the inactive file and the application considered as having been withdrawn.

William L. Emerick

William L. Emerick

CC; Director's Reading File
Economic Geology File
OME Docket
OME Reading File
Region I
Mr. Emerick

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AIRMAIL

DEC 3 1968

Mr. Robert M. McMurtrey
1281 Elmore Avenue
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401

Re: OME-6733 (Silver-Gold)
Robert M. McMurtrey
Scholes and Lawson Homesteads
Bonneville County, Idaho

Dear Mr. McMurtrey:

On October 22, 1968 we replied to your letter of October 16, 1968, in which you expressed a desire to alter the work proposed in the application for exploration assistance. Our letter suggested an alternate work plan for your consideration and also reiterated a request that you furnish information pertaining to items 1(e), 2(b), 2(c), 3(e), and 3(f) of your application so we could begin processing it. If you need additional time to prepare the material requested please let us know.

Otherwise, as we cannot hold an application open indefinitely, we shall consider the application as being withdrawn unless we receive the additional information within 30 days from the date of this letter.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK E. JOHNSON (gla)

Frank E. Johnson
Chief, Office of
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AIRMAIL

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Mr. Robert M. McMurtrey
1281 Elmore Avenue
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401

Re: OMX-6733 (Silver-Gold)
Robert M. McMurtrey
Scholes and Lawson Homesteads
Bonneville County, Idaho

Dear Mr. McMurtrey:

This is in reply to your letter of October 16, 1968 in which you express a desire to alter the work proposal in your application. We have no objections to your altering the work program under the application but we do question the adequacy of only one drill hole in evaluating any property.

We would suggest instead that you consider a program consisting of three or four core drill holes, spaced about 200 or 300 feet apart, along the N-S axis of the proposed exploration area. The results obtained from the drill holes would more definitely inform you what sort of extended program, if any, would be required. If you should decide to propose core drilling you must furnish a map or sketch showing the proposed locations of the drill holes, the estimated depth of each hole, an estimate of unit costs, such as per foot of drilling, and copies of bids from three drilling contractors.

Should you submit a new work proposal, it will still be necessary for you to furnish the information requested in our letter of July 2, 1968 before we can begin to process your application. The required information which we requested relates in particular to items 1(c), 2(b), 2(c), 3(a), and 3(f) of the application. Because you would be changing your work proposal, it would be necessary also for you to furnish in detail all of the pertinent information requested under items 5 and 7 of the application.

This request for additional information should not be construed as a commitment by the Government to grant an exploration contract. We shall continue to withhold further processing of your application until the requested data are received.

Sincerely yours,

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Mr. Frank E. Johnson
Chief, Office of
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Re: OME-6733 (Silver-Gold)
Robert M. McMurtrey
Scholes and Lawson Homesteads
Bonneville County, Idaho

Dear Mr. Johnson:

In reply to your recent letter of October 7, 1968.

I have had more work done on this property with a bulldozer, and have also had some mining personal on the property. On their advice I wish to make alterations on the work stated with my original application. This would consist of drilling one hole with a Diamond drill, at a minimum cost of $5,000. If the test proved worthwhile, I would like to apply for $100,000.00 for drilling operations; but if the tests proved unsatisfactory, the project would be dropped, with only the cost of the first hole drilled.

Possibly operator should drill one hole

All the added information you requested in your letter of July 2, 1968 would be in your office, and work could be started about May 1969.

Please advise me if this would be acceptable.

Sincerely yours,

Robert McMurtrey

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Re: OME-6733 (Silver-Gold)
Robert M. McMurtrey
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Bonneville County, Idaho

Dear Mr. McMurtrey:

On July 2, 1968 we requested additional information which is necessary for the processing of your application. You replied on July 18, 1968 that you were encountering delays in obtaining agreements from land owners on parts of the land on which your proposed exploration work would be done.

If you need additional time to obtain these agreements and to prepare the other additional information requested in our letter of July 2, 1968, please let us know. If we do not receive a reply from you within thirty days from the date of this letter, we must assume that you are no longer interested in proceeding with your application and we shall consider it as having been withdrawn.

Sincerely yours,

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Re. Ome 6733
Mr. Frank E. Johnson

Dear Sir;

Some delay is being encountered in obtaining the agreements from the land owners, due to a proposed land trade which involves a part of the land on which my application for exploration work is to be conducted.

I will furnish the additional information requested as soon as possible.

Sincerely

Robert McMurtrey

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Re: OME-6733 (Silver-Gold)
Robert M. McMurtrey
Scholes and Lawson Homesteads
Bonneville County, Idaho

Dear Mr. McMurtrey:

Preliminary review of your application for financial assistance in exploring the property referenced above indicates that additional information is needed before we can continue its processing. The information relates to items 1, 2, 3, 5, and 7 as listed on the back of the application form.

1. Financial Eligibility:

(c) You propose to furnish your share of the exploration costs by supplying your own labor and fuel. In the case of bulldozing, this proposal may be workable, but in the case of diamond drilling our experience has shown that allowances for these items will not cover an operator's share of the total costs. For your information, the Government does not advance funds for its share of the costs. The operator pays all of the first month's costs and then submits a voucher on forms furnished by the Government. After the voucher is approved, the operator is reimbursed for the Government's share. As it usually takes two or three weeks to reimburse an operator, he should have sufficient funds available to pay all costs for at least the first two months. Thereafter, normally, reimbursement is received at monthly intervals. In these circumstances, please explain in more detail how you plan to finance your share of the costs.

2. Applicant's Rights in Land:

(b) State the legal descriptions of the two homesteads overlain by your mining claims, and furnish certified true copies of your agreements with the owners.

(c) In the event of a contract, Lien and Subordination Agreements on MME Form 52 covering the surface rights would be required. Can these agreements be obtained from the owners? A copy of the form is enclosed.

3. Physical Description:

(e) The single assay submitted with the application is not sufficient evidence to indicate that the property is worth exploring. You should furnish the additional information requested on the application form, including assay and geologic maps or sketches. You may compile this information yourself if you prefer, or you may wish to obtain the services of a qualified mining geologist or engineer.

(f) You state that you believe the property has a large potential because the two samples were taken 2500 feet apart. Please state your reasons for expecting to find ore between these two points. Also please clarify whether the samples were combined into a single sample before assaying, or were assayed separately.

5. Exploration Work:

(a) You propose to strip 20 to 30 feet deep in one area, 300 feet wide and 800 feet long, and in another area 500 feet wide and 900 feet long in order to determine if diamond drilling is warranted. Since this procedure is not normal or economical, please give us your evaluation of alternative, less costly, less destructive, and more effective methods of exploration.

Please note in the OME regulations (Title 30, part 229.2) that work conducted primarily in preparation for mining is not eligible for OME financial assistance.

7. Estimate of Costs:

(d) Your estimated hourly costs for a D-8 or equivalent bulldozer add to a total of $22.02 per hour, and your estimated total costs for the project add to $200,000.00. These figures indicate that the project would require something over two years to complete and that a total of $149,863.76 would be paid out as rental for the bulldozer. OME contracts are not approved for projects lasting more than two years, and rental in excess of the purchase price is not an allowable cost.

This request for additional information should not be construed as a commitment by the Government to grant an exploration contract. We shall hold the further processing of your application until the requested data are received.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK E. JOHNSON

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June 13, 1968

Mr. Robert M. McMurtrey
1281 Elmore Avenue
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401

Subject: OME-6733

Dear Mr. McMurtrey:

Your application for exploration assistance, dated June 4, 1968, submitted to our office at Spokane, Washington, has been assigned Docket No. OME-6733.

Please identify all future correspondence relating to your application by this docket number.

Sincerely yours,

Frank E. Johnson
Chief, Office of
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