OFFICE OF MINERALS EXPLORATION
CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION AND AUDIT DIVISION

REPORT OF ROYALTY REVIEW

I have reviewed the files of the Office of Minerals Exploration, Washington, D. C., pertaining to Contract No. Idm-E81, Docket No. DMA-129X (Lead-Zinc), dated July 23, 1951, with

Bennett Mining Company
P. O. Box 1135
Great Falls, Montana

for the purpose of determining the amount of royalty due the U. S. Government on sales of minerals from property referred to as Dacotah Mine located in Cascade County, Montana, during the period July 23, 1951, through September 8, 1959.

A certification of discovery or development was issued on March 16, 1953, and, in accordance with Article 14 of the contract royalty is payable on all minerals mined or produced as a result of such discovery or development for a period of 10 years from the date of the contract or until the total net amount contributed by the Government without interest is fully repaid, whichever occurs first. An Audit Certificate dated January 30, 1953, indicated accepted costs under the exploration contract amounting to $85,392.55 with the Government's contribution, on a 50 percent basis, being $42,696.27.

This review was made in lieu of an on-site audit of the Operator's accounts and records for the following reasons:

(1) The mine has not been operated since termination of the contract on September 10, 1952, prior to completion of the exploration work;
(2) Semi-annual reports by representatives of the Field Team, Region I, and other documents in the files do not disclose any sales of minerals from this property subject to Government royalty during the exploration period or subsequent thereto;
(3) Ore stockpiled during the exploration has not been milled as such action is not deemed to be profitable on the present metal market; and
(4) The administrative cost to the Government of an on-site royalty audit at this time would be excessive in relation to the amount of possible additional royalty which might be disclosed.

The review has indicated that no sales of production resulting from the discovery or development have been made and no royalty is due the Government.

C. E. Fisher
C. E. Fisher, OME Auditor

September 16, 1959

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Office of Minerals Exploration

CHECK SHEET OF EXAMINING ENGINEER

Operator's Name Bennett Mining Company

Address Box 1135

Great Falls, Montana

Exploration Contract No. Idm-E81 Docket No. DMEA-129

		Check One Yes	Check One No.
1.	(a) Does the Operator stockpile ore subject to royalty repayment?		X
	(b) If so, is segregation and identification procedure adequate?		
2.	(a) Does Operator commingle production subject to DMEA or OME royalties with exempt production?		X
	(b) If so, do you consider the allocation of the commingled production equitable?		
3.	(a) Does the Operator stockpile mine or mill rejects (low grade ore, tailing, middlings, etc.) that may have potential value within the royalty payment period?		X
	(b) If so, are adequate records maintained on such material to protect the Government's interest?		
4.	Do you consider the assay controls in effect are adequate?	X	
5.	Do you consider that the manner of disposing of production gives the Government its fair royalty returns?	X	
6.	Do your periodic examinations of operations indicate the Operator is properly reporting his production of ores subject to DMEA or OME royalties?	X	
7.	Does the Operator buy from or sell to other Operators?		X
8.	Comment on any item 2 (b) to 6 if answer is No.		

Property inactive.

September 8, 1959
Date

S. W. Zoldok
Mining Engineer
S. W. Zoldok

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Memorandum

To: Director of Inspection

From: Administrator

Subject: FBI Report dated October 8, 1956, at Seattle, Washington
FBI Report dated October 12, 1956, at Butte, Montana
Re: Carroll R. Bennett - Fraud against the Government

The purpose of this memorandum is to record my activity in this case between October 18, when I received a copy of the first FBI report, and October 29 when I received a copy of the second FBI report.

On October 19, 1956, Mr. Albert R. Weinsenhorn, Executive Officer of Region I, Northwest District, called at my office. At that time I had the first FBI report in hand, and I allowed Al to review it. He said it was a correct and factual summary of his discussion with the FBI agent on September 27.

Al stated that he did not prepare a memorandum covering the discussion; also that he did not furnish the FBI agent with copies of any of the official documents in the file. He requested clearance from Washington to do the latter, which clearance was immediately granted. However, the FBI agent had already completed his preliminary investigation and had not returned for additional information up to the time Al left Spokane for Washington.

Al believes, as we do, that the first report relates to an RFC loan and is not of any special concern to the Department.

During the morning of October 23, Mr. Armbruster, Special Agent of FBI, phoned me to request a meeting during the afternoon. It was set up for 2 p.m.

Meanwhile Mr. Talbert, Assistant Chief of the Contract Administration and Audit Division, again reviewed the Bennett Mining Company docket. Mr. Talbert was present during my discussion with Mr. Armbruster.

Mr. Armbruster had no knowledge of the FBI report dated October 8, which covered the interview with Weinsenhorn. He did, however, have a copy of another report which I now identify as the October 12 report that you have just forwarded to me. He did not pass the report to Talbert or myself to read, but he did quote excerpts from it which became topics of discussion.

We were confused by the allegation that Bennett borrowed $30,000 from the Government during 1950-52. We felt that the statement could have referred to the DMEA contract, but we pointed out that the Government under that contract actually advanced $42,000 on an $84,000 project on a strictly "matching" basis. We briefed Armbruster on the entire DMEA background in this case and told him our interim inspections and final audit had failed to reveal any irregularities.

Armbruster was quite certain that the complaint related to the old RFC loan. He said he had checked with RFC by phone and was told by them that they had no record of ever having made a loan to Bennett. Our docket, however, gave evidence that Bennett did at one time have an RFC loan. Armbruster decided to again check with RFC, and he promised to phone me later to report his findings.

On October 25 he reported that he had personally visited the successor offices to the RFC in Washington. Although the official dockets in this case had long since been sent to Archives, the office did have card summaries of each case.

He said that early in 1942 RFC granted a loan for $5000. This loan was repaid in full. Late in 1952 they granted another loan for $25,000. That loan was also repaid in full. You will note that these two loans total $30,000 and perhaps account for that mysterious figure which is shown in both FBI reports. Armbruster was told that, had any irregularities occurred in the use of these funds, a proper notation would have been made on the card summary. None was.

Armbruster told me that he does not believe any grounds exist, so far as he can determine, to indicate fraud or misuse of Government funds in the case of Bennett Mining Company. He said he did not plan to return to my office for a further inspection of our files, and that his immediate task would be to prepare some sort of final memorandum which would close the case for the time being.

I note in the last paragraph on page 2 of the FBI report dated October 12 that a former partner of Bennett reported rumors to the effect that Bennett wilfully closed the Dacotah Mine down in 1953, at the time he had ore in sight, for the express purpose of waiting out the ten-year period within which the Government is entitled to receive royalties on production.

Our files reveal that the contract was terminated by mutual agreement on September 10, 1952, before completion of the work authorized under the contract. The operator was financially unable to continue the work. Our files confirm the allegation that "ore was in sight," because our examiners in the field noted that all working faces were in ore when work under the contract was terminated. Since the work

completed up to that time had disclosed three intermittent ore zones which could provide the basis for the issuance of a Certification of Discovery or Development, DMEA acquiesced to the operator's request for a termination agreement. By the issuance of a Certification of Discovery or Development, the Government attached a lien on all production sold up to July 23, 1961, or until the $42,696.27 has been repaid, whichever occurs first.

Our field representatives have made semiannual inspections of this property throughout the entire period since the contract was terminated. They have consistently reported that there has been no work or production at the Cheetah Mine since the termination of the contract, and that no mining is planned until metal prices become more favorable.

Under the terms of DMEA contracts, the operator is not obligated to produce, even though the project is certified. Even if Bennett wilfully suspended operations for the sole purpose of waiting out the ten-year period, I do not believe that such an act would constitute fraud against the Government.

The FBI report dated October 12, 1956, is attached.

C. O. Mittendorf

Administrator

Attachment

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cc: Mails & Files
Admr. Reading File
Administrator
Field Team, Reg. I, MW
Mr. Johnson
Mr. Selfridge
Mr. Chambers
Mr. Griswold

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Memorandum

To: Director of Inspection

From: Administrator, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

Subject: FBI report, dated October 8, 1956, at Seattle, Washington—Carroll R. Bennett—Fraud against the Government (DMEA reference: Docket No. DMEA-129, Contract No. Idm-281, Bennett Mining Company, a corporation)

Your memorandum of October 18, 1956, requests advice as to any information which the DMEA may have as to the origin of the subject case.

This Administration has no information relative to this case other than that disclosed in the FBI report and a letter dated September 28, 1956, addressed to me by A. E. Weissenborn, Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region I, Northwest District.

The FBI report, together with two copies each of Mr. Weissenborn's letter and our teletyped reply dated October 5, 1956, are attached.

C. O. Mittendorf

Administrator

Attachments

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October 22, 1956

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October 5, 1956

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To: Mr. A. E. Weissenborn, Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region I, Northwest District, Spokane, Washington.

Reurlet September 28, Docket No. DMEA-129, Contract No. Idm-E81, Bennett Mining Company, it is our policy to co-operate fully with the FBI at all times.

/s/ George C. Selfridge

Chairman, Operating Committee

UNITED STATES
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~~WASHINGTON, D.C.~~
So. 157 Howard Street
Spokane 4, Washington

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September 28, 1956
Air Mail

Mr. C. O. Mittendorf, Administrator
Defense Minerals Exploration Administration
Department of the Interior
Washington 25, D. C.

Re: Docket No. DMEA-129 (Lead-Zinc)
Bennett Mining Co.
Dacotah Mine
Cascade County, Montana
Contract Idm-E81 (Completed)

Dear Mitt:

Yesterday we were visited by Mr. J. Bowker, local agent of the FBI, who is investigating the Bennett Mining Company. There apparently has been a squabble within the company and a former employee and a former partner have alleged misuse of funds, and fraud in connection with a $10,000 RFC(?) development loan made about 1942, and also in connection with our DMEA contract--mostly, I judge, as regards the nonpayment of royalty to the DMEA. As yet these allegations are hardly more than rumors and may well be without substance as, insofar as DMEA is concerned, the result of lack of understanding of the Government contract, specifically that even though a discovery has been made and certified the Operator has no obligation to produce.

The FBI, however, is investigating the allegations. If there has been fraud in carrying out the contract, or if there have been unreported sales of ore on which royalty is due the Government we will, of course, want to know this; consequently, I have discussed the DMEA contract verbally quite freely with Mr. Bowker. Mr. Bowker informs me that in their investigation the FBI may wish to utilize our records. Possibly Mr. Turner, DMEA auditor, or other DMEA personnel (including myself) may be called on to assist or interpret the contract. I presume that we will wish to cooperate fully but I am uncertain as to what is required before I am authorized to give anyone outside DMEA access to these records or to turn them over to another organization.

Please advise me by airmail letter or teletype what procedure should be followed.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ D. R. MacLaren
for A. E. Weissenborn, Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region I, NW District

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR 500
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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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Mr. A. A. Weissenborn
Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region I
Northwest District
South 157 Howard Street
Spokane 4, Washington

Re: Docket No. DMEA-127 (Lead-Zinc)
Bennett Mining Company
Dacotah Mine
Cascade County, Montana
Contract No. Idm-481

Dear Mr. Weissenborn:

Referring to your letter of June 24, covering royalty payments under the cited contract, we are quoting from a memorandum dated July 25, prepared by the Acting Assistant Solicitor.

"The contract is dated July 23, 1951, and is written on the very earliest form used by this Administration. The Executive Officer has advised the Operator substantially to the effect that its obligations with respect to royalty are the same as if the contract had been written on the latest forms - those of 1954. This advice to the Operator follows substantially the instructions contained in DMEA Circular 32, Supplement No. 2, dated April 6, 1954.

"As you know, Supplement No. 2 to DMEA Circular 32 laid down a uniform rule with respect to the computation of royalties which is there stated to be applicable to all contract forms. As you also know, I have heretofore indicated that in my opinion this attempt to make a uniform rule to apply to all our contract forms would not hold up in court. With this in view, no doubt, the last paragraph of the Supplement states:

> 'Should any operator insist that the provisions of its particular contract are susceptible to some other interpretation and refuse to pay royalties pursuant to the rule, the matter should be referred to the Washington Office."

"I do not know if this operator will accept the rule as stated by Mr. Weismanborn, Executive Officer. If it does not, the matter should be referred to the Washington Office as indicated in Supplement No. 2 to Circular 38."

Sincerely yours,

W. S. Martin

ACTING Chairman, Operating Committee

APPROVED:

/s/ Robert W. Geehan

Member, Bureau of Mines

Thor H. Kiilsgaard

Member, Geological Survey

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

JUL 25 1955

Memorandum

To: The Administrator, DMEA
Attention: W. R Griswold

From: Acting Assistant Solicitor, Defense Minerals

Subject: Computation of royalties (Bennett Mining Co., Docket No. DMEA-129X, Contract Idm-E81)

By memorandum to me dated July 7, the Chief of the Base Metals Division has called my attention to a letter of June 24, from the Executive Officer of Region I to the Operating Committee, which refers to the letter dated June 8 from the Operator to the Executive Officer, and his reply thereto, dated June 22. The Executive Officer has advised the Operator with respect to its liability for royalties, and now requests the Operating Committee to advise him if his statements to the Operator are correct.

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The contract is dated July 23, 1951, and is written on the very earliest form used by this Administration. The Executive Officer has advised the Operator substantially to the effect that its obligations with respect to royalty are the same as if the contract had been written on the latest forms - those of 1954. This advice to the Operator follows substantially the instructions contained in DMEA Circular 32, Supplement No. 2, dated April 6, 1954.

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I do not know if this operator will accept the rule as stated by Mr. Weissenborn, Executive Officer. If it does not, the matter should be referred to the Washington Office as indicated in Supplement No. 2 to Circular 32.

Regardless of the basis for computing the royalty in this particular case, the Government's right to any royalty at all is on a sketchy basis. The contract was terminated by an agreement dated September 10, 1952. The certification of discovery or development is dated March 16, 1953, which is more than the six months from the date of termination allowed by the contract for making a certification. The Operator does not appear to have made any objection to the lateness of the certification, but all things considered I hope that we do not have to initiate any proceedings to enforce the payment of royalty from this operator.

I think there is nothing to be done unless and until the Operator objects to Mr. Weissenborn's construction of the contract.

J. L. Hofflund

J. L. Hofflund
Acting Assistant Solicitor,
Defense Minerals

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FINAL
AUDIT REPORT

DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION AND AUDIT DIVISION

Defense Minerals Administration

Audit Certificate

I have examined the records and transactions of

Bennett Mining Company
Box 1135
Great Falls, Montana

pertaining to Exploration Project Contract No. ~~Idm-E81~~, Docket No. DMA 129, and Amendments 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, covering an exploration project for lead and zinc, for the period of July 23, 1951 to December 31, 1952.

My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted standards applicable in the circumstances.

The audit disclosed the following facts in regard to the amount to be paid the contractor:

Total cost as billed by contractor	$89,324.61
Less: Sale receipts for equipment	2,903.00
Net cost claimed	$86,421.61
Exceptions during audit	1,029.06
Total accepted cost	$85,392.55

The contract calls for a 50 percent participation of exploration expenses by the United States Government. Therefore, payment to the contractor by the Government in the amount of Forty two thousand six hundred ninety six and 27/100 Dollars,

$42,696.27

is valid and proper.

This certificate is issued on the provision that the Regional Executive Officer, the Administrator, or other competent official has accepted or will accept the project as having otherwise met the terms of the contract.

January 30, 1953

Robert M. Hull
Robert M. Hull, Auditor

I INTRODUCTION

On October 28, 29 and 30, 1952, an interim audit, covering the period of July 23, 1951 through October 30, 1952, was made of the records and accounts of operations pertaining to Contract No. Idm-E81, Docket No. DMA 129X, dated July 23, 1951 and as subsequently amended on October 3, October 11, and November 27, 1951 and February 18, March 26, and May 15, 1952, with

Bennett Mining Company
Box 1135
Great Falls, Montana

A review was made of the charges subsequent to the interim audit (covering the period of November 1 through December 31, 1952) which are included with the interim audit as a final audit.

The contract covers a project of exploration for lead and zinc and is located at Neihart, Cascade County, Montana. The accounting records pertaining to this contract are located in the Bennett Pontiac Motor Company building, Great Falls, Montana.

During the course of the audit the following officers of the company were consulted as required:

Mr. Carroll R. Bennett, President
Mrs. Frances A. Clarke, Secretary-Accountant

Their cooperation and assistance greatly facilitated the audit. Mr. Webster Anderson, Mining Engineer, United States Bureau of Mines, who had previously inspected the operations of the Bennett Mining Company, was also consulted as the occasion demanded.

II GENERAL INFORMATION ON RECORDS

The accounting records for the exploration project consist of summary monthly statements supported by comprehensive payroll records, copies of purchase invoices or suppliers' statements, and the cancelled bank checks.

The accounting records and books were established to cover the exploration project. The source documents covering the costs of this project are recorded on monthly work sheets, which form the basis for preparation of the monthly MF-104 reports. Therefore, the audit involved in general a check of the source documents against the monthly work sheets and a reconciliation of the payments with the cancelled bank checks. All costs were recorded on a cash basis.

III SCOPE OF AUDIT AND FINDINGS

The audit and review consisted of a detailed examination of all accounting data as to accuracy, propriety, and validity of the costs as shown in the "Totals to Date" column of Form MF-104, "Operator's Monthly Report and Voucher" for December 1952. The extent of the audit and the findings under each of the "Items of Cost" follow:

(1) Independent Contracts

Not applicable to this contract.

(2) Labor and Supervision

The charges under this item were checked against the payroll records. The weekly time reports, submitted by the superintendent, were examined as to labor time, rates and charges. They were traced

to the semi-monthly payrolls and computed for accuracy for the period under audit. The company makes no accounting distribution of supervisory and engineering salaries. The full time of both the superintendent and the bookkeeper are charged to the DMEA project.

The audit disclosed that the costs shown under this item on the final MF-104 covering October, November and December 1952, as compared to the costs properly chargeable and allowable under the terms of the contract, to be:

		Charged	Not Allowable	Allowable
Labor		$35,344.96	.06 (a)	$35,344.90
Supervision:				
As claimed		10,903.16		
As should have been claimed:				
W. F. Criswell	$7,445.16		50.00 (b)	
Frances Clarke	3,458.06 (a)		300.00 (c)	
	$10,903.22			$10,553.22

(a) The sum of $0.06 was erroneously charged to labor and is properly chargeable under supervision. The $0.06 was dropped from supervision when the division between labor and supervision was reported on the MF-104 for the month of October 1951.

(b) The superintendent, Mr. W. F. Criswell, was ill and off the job for one-half month during October 1952 and claim was made for $300.00. As the contract provides for a superintendent at $500.00 per month, only one-half month services or $250.00 was allowed and $50.00 was disallowed.

(c) The bookkeeper, Mrs. Frances Clarke, claimed $600.00 for the period of October, November and December 1952. The contract provides for a bookkeeper at $200.00 per month; however, during the last three

months only 50 percent or $300.00 is allowed as the full-time services of a bookkeeper would not be required during the final period of closing out the contract.

(3) Operating Materials and Supplies

The charges against this category were checked against the monthly statement. The purchases for the period under audit were verified for adequate accounting support and were checked for proof of payment against the cancelled bank checks. The company does not maintain a stores account. The articles purchased are charged directly to the project.

The total costs properly chargeable and allowable under this item were found to consist of the following:

Timber	$4,665.89*
Explosives	3,282.98
Miscellaneous	6,431.35**

* The Operator claimed $570.50 for timber on the April 1952 MF-104; however, the purchase invoices covered only $569.90 and therefore $0.60 was disallowed.

** The Operator has included all other materials and supplies under this heading and they include nails, water hose, pipe, track, cable, steel and bits, wrenches, pipe fittings, and other miscellaneous items.

When the Operator submitted the initial MF-104 (approved April 1951) the form required a breakdown of Explosives and Other Supplies; however, on the revised MF-104 (approved April 1952) the breakdown under Item 3, Operating Materials and Supplies, was enlarged to include

timber, explosives, pipe, track and miscellaneous. The breakdown by the Operator under this item was not made beyond timber and explosives, and for this reason there is the large sum under "Miscellaneous."

An item of $427.20 for "Small Tools" had erroneously been classified under Item 8, Contingencies, and has now been reclassified under "Operating Materials and Supplies."

(4) Operating Equipment

The charges for operating equipment rented, purchased, and furnished by the Operator were checked against the monthly work sheets and the rates specified in Exhibit "C" of the contract and amendments Nos. 4, 5, and 6 thereto. There were no daily time logs covering the use on the project of the rented equipment or that furnished by the Operator. The charges for these items were made at the authorized rates when such equipment was indicated as being in use on the project.

The total allowable costs for "Operating Equipment" were found to be $16,230.56, which consisted of the following items:

Rented equipment		$5,114.78*
Depreciation		4,342.25
Equipment purchased:		
1 Ingersoll Rand 25 sump pump (Serial #30811-13051-361)	$ 305.00	
4 mine cars, 20 cu. ft. cap., 18" gauge (used)	331.40	
1 Transmire, Universal, 18" gauge	1862.04	
1 Mucking machine, Eimco Model 12B, 18" gauge	3059.07	
1 Tungar charger 6 RB, 90 volts DC, 60 cycles (used)	50.37	
1 Sinker drill, Denver Gardner Co., S55W, Model 1308, wet hand held sinker drill complete with 7/8" hex chuck, serial #159900	365.00	

Equipment purchased (cont.):		
1 Lamb air mover, 3" Model	$ 55.65	
1 Sump pump, Denver Gardner, complete with exhaust, hose connections and VP4-71 discharge hose adapter	305.00	
1 mine skip (used)	65.00	
1 mine skip (used)	75.00	
1 air hoist, Ingersoll Rand	300.00	$6,773.53

*The Operator claimed $80.00 rental for a truck for the month of October, and $66.67 for the use of one air sump pump. As the majority of the work had been completed these items were, after a discussion with the mining engineer assigned to the project, considered unnecessary and therefore disallowed.

(7) Miscellaneous

(a) Repairs to Equipment

The charges for this item were examined, analyzed as to propriety and found to be properly supported. The amount properly chargeable to this item is $142.98.

(b) Sampling and Assaying

The Operator incorrectly classified this item under "Contingencies." It was properly supported and is allowable in the amount of $132.36.

(c) Payroll Taxes and Social Security

All charges for payroll taxes and social security were checked by computation at the rates shown by the company's files to be in effect. These rates were:

Social Security tax		1.5%
Unemployment:	Federal	.3
	State	2.7
		4.5%

Workmen's Compensation Insurance:

	July 23, 1951 to June 30, 1952			July 1, 1952 ---		
Compressor man	$4.80	per	$100	$5.00	per	$100
Miner-underground	5.60	"	"	8.00	"	"
Truckers	2.00	"	"	2.50	"	"
Surface labor	4.80	"	"	5.00	"	"

The Social Security taxes in the amount of $639.72 were erroneously claimed under "Contingencies." They have been properly classified "Miscellaneous Payroll Taxes."

(d) Transportation

The charges under this item were reviewed and are allowed with the following exceptions:

The Operator claimed one Chevrolet engine in the amount of $151.89 on the July 1952 MF-104. The item was disallowed by the audit as it was ex-contract.

The cost of hauling ore from the mine to the mill site in Neihart, Montana, was included in the transportation costs. Approximately 840 tons of ore were hauled from the mine to the mill at an average cost of 6½¢ per ton mile for a round trip of 6 miles. In collaboration with the U. S. Bureau of Mines engineer assigned to the project it was determined that the sum of $327.60 be disallowed. The sum was arrived at by the following calculations:

630 cars, 20 cu. ft. per car
15 cu. ft. per ton of broken ore

$\frac{630 \times 20}{15}$ = 840 tons of ore

Truck hauls 5 tons per trip

$\frac{840}{5}$ = 168 trips

30 ton miles per trip @ 6½¢ per ton mile = $1.95 per trip

168 trips x $1.95 = $327.60 - cost of ore haulage.

The cost of ore haulage was not considered as part of the exploration costs.

(e) The charges for Power were reviewed for the period July 23, 1951 through September 30, 1952. The power consists of current purchased from the Montana Power Company. The monthly bills were compared with the cancelled checks and the costs are allowable.

(8) Contingencies

The Operator claimed numerous items, some properly allowable, under "Miscellaneous," as follows:

Mine inspection	$ 5.00
Telephone	233.10
Blue printing	155.81
Social Security	639.72
Assaying	132.36
Travel	40.80
Small tools	427.20
	$1,633.99

The items of Mine Inspection, $5.00, and Travel, $40.80, were disallowed as they were considered overhead items and not covered by the exploration contract. An item under Blueprinting in the amount of $6.50 was disallowed as there was no adequate support.

The items of Telephone and Assaying have been included under Miscellaneous, and Social Security has been included with Payroll Taxes, thus clearing Item 8, Contingencies.

The charges for these items were verified by checking the work sheets and reviewing the invoices and cancelled checks by which payment was made.

IV CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The audit has disclosed that all costs as charged to this project, with the exception of the disallowances under Items (2), Labor and Supervision, (3) Operating Materials and Supplies, (4) Operating Equipment, (7) Miscellaneous, and (8) Contingencies of the preceding section of this report, as reflected in Exhibit "A" attached, are in accordance with the contract and amendments thereto.

During the course of the exploration project the Certifying Officer made the following disallowances.

MF-104		
October 1951	Charge for slusher hoist (not in use)	$ 25.00
December 1951	Pontiac Motor's bill (personal items)	41.46
January 1952	*1 air mover	55.65
	*1 mine bucket	65.00
	*1 air hoist	300.00
February 1952	Error in payroll (labor)	65.55
	Taxes	.98
	Supplies (other), not supported	12.80
	Telephone, not supported	41.41
	Transportation charges, not supported	177.95
		$785.80

*These items were reclaimed on the March MF-104 and are allowable under the provisions of Amendment No. 5, dated March 26, 1952. The remaining deletions are concurred in.

BENNETT MINING COMPANY
Contract No. Idm-281

EXHIBIT "A"

		Totals Dec. 1952 MF-104	Distribution corrected	Disallowed by audit	Allowed by audit
(2) Labor and Supervision					
Labor		$35,344.96	$35,344.96		$35,344.96
Supervision		10,903.16	10,903.16	$ 350.00	10,553.16
(3) Operating Materials & Supplies					
Timber		4,666.49	4,666.49	.60	4,665.89
Explosives		3,282.98	3,282.98		3,282.98
Pipe					
Track					
Miscellaneous		6,004.15	6,431.35		6,431.35
(4) Operating Equipment					
Rental		5,261.45	5,261.45	146.67	5,114.78
Purchase		6,773.53	6,773.53		6,773.53
Depreciation		4,342.25	4,342.25		4,342.25
(7) Miscellaneous					
Repairs to equipment		142.98	142.98		142.98
Sampling and analysis			132.36		132.36
Payroll taxes		3,613.53	4,253.25		4,253.25
Liability insurance					
Transportation		3,733.06	3,733.06	479.49	3,253.57
Power		3,622.08	3,622.08		3,622.08
Telephone			233.10		233.10
Blueprinting			155.81	6.50	149.31
(9) Contingencies					
Mine inspection	5.00		5.00	5.00	
Telephone	233.10				
Blueprinting	155.81				
Social Security	639.72				
Assaying	132.36				
Travel	40.80		40.80	40.80	
Small tools	427.20	1,633.99			
Totals		$89,324.61	$89,324.61	$1,029.06	$88,295.55

Robert M. Hull

Robert M. Hull, Auditor

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

APR 1 1953

Mr. Robert M. Hull
DMEA Auditor
1201 North Division Street
Spokane 2, Washington

Re: DMEA-129, Idm-E81
Bennett Mining Company

See answer to letter dated 3/27

Dear Bob:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 27, 1953, in which you request advice as to the propriety of certain disallowances made by you in the audit of the referenced project.

After reviewing the contract and your final Audit Report, in conjunction with the additional information contained in your letter, I have arrived at the following conclusions:

1. The State's charge of $5.00 for a mine inspection, since such is a requirement of the State of Montana under its compensation insurance regulations, is definitely an allowable cost of the project;

2. The Operator's travel in the amount of $40.80 should be allowed only upon the Field Team's determination that the charge is in fact a necessary, reasonable direct cost of the project (See Question and Answer No. 1, Supplement No. 1 to DMEA Circular 19);

3. The policy of the Administration (as stated in Operating Committee's letter of December 15, 1952, to Executive Officer, Region IV, with copies to all Regional Executive Officers) is that the amounts indicated in contracts for Supervision "represent maximum salaries for full time services"; therefore, the disallowance of $50.00 for excess charges for supervision appears to be in order; and

4. The charge of $200.00 per month for bookkeeping services during the three months after the termination of the project does not appear to be reasonable within the terms of the contract; therefore, I agree that your disallowance of $100.00 per month is justified.

Since you indicate that the Field Team is replying to the Operator's protest to your audit exceptions, I do not believe the case should be reopened unless the Operator makes further claim. In the event of such further claim, and a determination by you and Mr. Weissenborn that an additional amount is in fact allowable, you should prepare a revised Audit Report and Audit Certificate. The certifying officer may then certify payment on a standard voucher form supported by the Operator's letter and your revised Audit Certificate. A supplemental MF-104 is not required, since the Operator's previously claimed total costs of $89,324.61 included the disallowances he is reclaiming.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. L. Chambers

Jay L. Chambers, Chief
Contract Administration
and Audit Division

EDTalbert/wb
March 31, 1953

Copy to: Docket
Admr. Reading File
Mr. Griswold
Mr. Chambers

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION

~~WASHINGTON 25, D.C.~~
So. 157 Howard Street
Spokane 4, Washington

April 11, 1953

Mr. Carroll R. Bennett
Bennett Mining Company
Box 1135
Great Falls, Montana

APR 20 1953

E-81

Dear Mr. Bennett:

This is in reply to your letter of March 12 regarding various cost items which were disallowed on a final audit of your account. We are sorry that you take exception to some of the deletions and that you do not believe that the Government has acted as a fifty percent partner in the exploration. We have carefully reviewed the files of your project and have discussed the disallowed charges with the fiscal officer, the auditors, and the various engineers involved in the project. After careful consideration, we are forced to the conclusion that although a few minor items that you protest can be reinstated, most of the disallowances were made because the items deleted are not within the terms of the contract. We regret to inform you that, in our opinion, these disallowances will have to stand.

In order to clear up some apparent misunderstandings on your part, we wish to direct your attention to Article 10 of the contract which states in part, "The allowable costs of the project in which the Government will participate are limited to the necessary, reasonable, direct costs of performing the exploration work, including the cost of materials, supplies, engineering, power, water, and utilities, including items of equipment costing less than $50.00 each and the costs referred to in Articles 5, 6, 8, and 9, and the Exhibits annexed to and referred to in this contract." We are extremely anxious to see that the Government is a fifty percent partner in the exploration undertaken under Contract Idm-E81. We cannot agree with you that the Government has not contributed its fair share to the exploration. We have, in fact, been subject to some criticism because the costs involved in the project have been so high, and we wish to point out that although 85 percent of the funds allotted to the project were expended, only 40 percent of the proposed project work was completed.

One of the difficulties is that the work on the project terminated for your convenience and without prior notice to this office. This made it very difficult for us to verify at what point actual exploration work terminated, and beyond which all cost of maintenance of the property would be for your own account. You will recall that we signed

a mutual termination agreement, making it retroactive to September 10, 1952, the date on which you informed us that work was suspended. Disallowances for supervision, bookkeeping, and pump rental in the closing out period of the contract, (that is, following the September 10, 1952 date), were made because the only costs chargeable to the contract during this time are those direct charges involved in the disposal of the equipment in which the Government has an equity and the direct charges incident to the preparation of the final report. You state that pump rental was necessary to keep the mine clear of water until the survey required by the Government for the final report on the project was completed. It was our understanding that surveying was being kept up to date as work progressed. However, assuming some surveying remained to be done, pump rental was allowed for the entire month of September although contract work ceased on September 10. It was the October pump rental that was disallowed, and it is our belief that between September 10 and October 1, there was more than ample time to have surveyed the work done under the contract. As a matter of fact, when the property was visited on September 23rd by our field examiners, they found that all the work was being devoted to placing mine timbers, removing equipment, and in general preparing the mine for a shutdown. This cannot be classed as exploration work, and there would be no basis for Government participation for the cost of such work. As a matter of fact, I believe that the September 23rd visit was the first inkling that we had that you intended to cease exploration work.

In regard to the deletion of the bookkeeping costs for the months of October, November, and December, these were disallowed because the contract was not active during these months. We have recommended part-time payment for a bookkeeper's salary to close out the project accounts. We feel that we have bent over backwards to allow half salary for this time for certainly there does not appear to have been enough contract business during these three months to necessitate a full-time bookkeeper. The only business going on was in connection with the disposal of the equipment and the preparation of the final report.

As you state, $50.00 was disallowed during the month of October for supervision. This was made because Mr. Hull, our auditor, was informed at the time he visited your office that Mr. Criswell had been ill and had been off duty one-half month. Consequently, when Mrs. Clark billed the Government in October for $300.00 instead of $250.00, a disallowance was made. Since you now state that Mr. Criswell worked 18 days rather than 15 days that we had assumed from Mr. Hull's discussion with Mrs. Clark the $50.00 may be reclaimed if you will submit a claim together with a copy of the payroll for this period and the cancelled check to Mr. Criswell or a photostat thereof.

A deletion of $151.89 from the amount charged for transportation was also questioned in your letter. This item was invoiced as a new motor for the truck and you explain that it represents cost of installing a new short block assembly. The Defense Minerals Exploration Administration Contract and Audit Division has ruled that in the case of rented equipment, the usual day to day maintenance and repairs are allowable items of cost, but major overhauls cannot be charged to the contract unless there are

unusual circumstances; presumably it is assumed that the normal depreciation is included in the rental price. In the case of the Bennett Mining Company our auditors have already allowed an item of $2,253.57 for transportation which we consider as very large compared to allowances for transportation for other DMEA projects of similar size and value in this region.

In regard to the deletion for haulage of ore to the mill, it is true that in your discussions with Weissenborn and Erickson before the contract was signed, the statement was made that we thought that some allowance might be made on this account for the reason that there was no practical dumping place at the mine from which the ore could later be recovered. This statement, however, was made early in the program before policies had fully crystallized and also without realization that the haulage contemplated was in the neighborhood of 3 miles. Furthermore, since no effort has been made to dispose of this ore, there has been no benefit to the Government from stockpiling it, at least to date. However, you can receive some compensation for the transportation expense for should you sell the ore, the costs of haulage can be deducted from the net return before payment of royalty. Transportation has been figured on a basis of $0.19 cents a ton, resulting in a deduction of $327.60. Inasmuch as the Field Team has been generous in authorizing expenditures for transportation expenses, including tires, resulting at least in part from hauling ore, and since the amount of the deduction for ore haulage is not large, we do not feel that you have been treated unfairly in this respect.

In regard to the mine inspection fee of $5.00 our auditors deleted this because they assumed that it was classed as overhead and in the same category as taxes, etc., which are not allowable costs under the contract. We have since been informed by the Contract and Audit Division that this item can be approved, and if you will submit a claim, it can be paid.

The item of $40.80 for travel expenses was disallowed because it had not been satisfactorily explained at the time your books were audited. The explanation and breakdown you have given in your letter of March 12 is considered adequate and this item may be reclaimed.

We trust that this letter will explain satisfactorily the reasons for the deletions. We feel that we have done our best to see that you received full payment under the contract, and will be glad to reconsider the items which we have stated in the above could be reclaimed. This may be done merely by writing a letter referring to this letter and requesting that they be reconsidered. With the inclusion of these items, we believe that we will have made as much payment as it is within our delegated authority to make. Any further claims that you might make would have to be forwarded to our Washington office who judging from experience on other contracts might well prove more strict in their interpretation of the terms of the contract than the Field Team has been. We sincerely hope that this explanation will satisfy you as we have been quite pleased with the results of the exploration and would regret to see a controversy

develop over what is essentially a rather small amount compared to the size of the contract and the potential value of the discovery that was made.

In reply to your second letter inquiring about a bill of sale for the items of equipment and supply the DMEA equity in which you are purchasing, this is to advise you that an appropriate document will be forwarded to you as soon as the final settlement of the contract is made to the mutual satisfaction of all concerned.

By Field Team, Region II

A. E. Weissenborn, Executive Officer
(U. S. Geological Survey)

M. E. Volin, Member
(U. S. Bureau of Mines)

cc: DMEA (2) w/2 cy incoming ltr.
USBM (2) w/1 cy incoming ltr.
Auditor Hull w/1 cy incoming ltr.
Certifying Officer

COPY

COPY
MINES: NEIHART, MONTANA

BENNETT MINING COMPANY
CORNER NINTH STREET AND FIRST AVENUE SOUTH
BOX 1135 PHONE 4361
GREAT FALLS, MONTANA March 12, 1953

Mr. A. E. Weissenborn, Exec Officer
U S Geological Survey
South #157 Howard Street
Spokane, Washington

Docket No. DNEA 129
Contract Idm - E81
Final Payment

Mr. M. E. Volin
U S Bureau of Mines
#1201 North Division Street
Spokane, Washington

Gentlemen -

Reply to your letter of February 9th has been delayed due to my absence the past few weeks attending the National Auto Dealers Convention in San Francisco, as well as taking care of numerous matters out on the West Coast.

It would appear the deletions made were arrived at after consultation "with the various engineers engaged on this project". No specific names were given but the only engineers with whom we came in contact and whom we can recall were Mr. Erickson, Mr. Quinlan, Mr. Anderson and Mr. Klepper.

We are taking exception to some of the deletions made in the final payment under this contract.

We will begin, first, with the deletion of $5.00 which covered a mine inspection. This was an inspection by a State mine inspector, which is required annually of all working properties under our Montana laws at a specified fee. It was an expense that was not voluntarily incurred by us and one over which we had no control whatsoever. Had the fee not been paid the mining operations would have been closed down. Would this have been justified for the expense of the $5.00 involved? Would you, as a partner, have wanted this done? We cannot believe you would.

Second. The item of $6.50 for stamps. This is the only stamp charge ever made by the Company, during all the months of carrying on the business. This is a small item and we ourselves have reimbursed Mr. Criswell and Mrs. Clarke for the stamps which were purchased by them personally on account of Company business. Mrs. Clarke's expenditure was made principally for the postage required for the mailing out of the withholding tax exemption certificates to the employees at the end of the year and the postage required for the mailing of the final report and vouchers to the Spokane office in December, which amounted to 69¢.

Third. This covers $40.80 disallowed for travel expense. Nothing more specific was given to us but as far as we can determine it covers items of -

$18.59	
14.00	
8.21	totaling $40.80

Now here is a break-down of these items:

The charge of $18.59 covers expenses of a trip to Helena made in August 1951 for the sole purpose of buying mine cars, pipe and rail for the mine:

Meals	$ 6.25	
Hotel	2.00	
Phone calls	1.80	
Gasoline	8.54	$18.59

The charge of $14.00 covers expense of a trip to Butte April 8th and 9th for the purpose of pump repairs and purchase of a pump:

Meals	$ 3.60	
Hotel	2.10	
Gas	8.30	$14.00

And the charge of $8.21 covers a trip to Boulder on May 10, 1952, for the purpose of lining up some shaft men if possible:

Meals	$ 2.35	
Telephone	1.50	
Gasoline	3.96	
1 Qt Oil	.40	$ 8.21

And incidentally four trips were made between Neihart and White Sulphur Springs to accommodate these shaft men, for which no charge was ever made to the Government.

These trips were necessary for the purpose of expediting the business at hand, which was this project, of which the Government was supposedly a 50% partner. We don't believe when these trips are detailed they could come under the category of travel expense but be classified as a very necessary business expense.

Then, next, the $327.60 item. We do not know how this figure was arrived at to cover the estimated cost of hauling the ore from the mine to the mill but we do know, Mr. Weissenborn, it was agreed to and acquiesed to by you and Mr. Erickson and Mrs. Clarke and myself the day we were in the Spokane office, on June 22nd, 1951, that the ore encountered in the exploration work under the contract should be hauled from the mine and stockpiled down at the mill and the Chev truck rented from Bennett Pontiac Motors should also be used for this purpose, the cost thereof to be charged against the project. If this is not a just and allowable charge, we are willing to forego it provided the Government will relinquish their interest in this stockpile since its accumulation was the

cause of these charges being incurred. Had the ore not been hauled it would have had to be thrown over the dump up at the mine and never recovered. We all agreed at the time this was not the proper procedure. You, Mr. Weissenborn, will no doubt recall this conversation now that it has been brought to your attention; Mr. Erickson likewise when reminded of it.

Now the $151.89 for motor repairs for a rented truck. The charge represents also the cost of installation of a new short block assembly. The truck was rented for a monthly rental but was to be maintained by the project. Therefore when a truck, under these circumstances, breaks down what recourse is there but to repair it if you want to continue using it; and if the repairs consist of a new short block assembly it has to be put in when the old block is not repairable. The owner delivered the truck to Neihart at his own expense and turned it over to the project. This is a transportation expense, tho regretted, and should be paid for.

The $80.00 rental for the truck for October 1952. We have looked into this and find the charge should not have been made; that the jeep did all the necessary transportation work during October. This is a correct deletion.

The $66.67 rental for a sump pump. It was necessary to keep this pump in operation until the survey, demanded and required by the Government, was finished. You are correct in saying the Government had an equity in a sump pump which was purchased for the project but this sump pump was definitely inadequate to handle the flow of the water which was encountered, resulting in the necessity of renting a larger pump. We can secure from Mr. Criswell, manager of the mine, an affidavit as to the necessity of using this pump.

The 60¢ for the mathematical error. We do not know just where this occurred but we will grant this OK.

Now the $300.00 deletion for bookkeeping for October, November and December 1952 whereas our charge was $600.00. Just why this deletion? Mrs. Clarke, tho contract was in termination stage, was on the job; really was on the job until your check purported to be in final payment was received on January 31st, 1953, when checks were made out in payment of all pending bills. The final audit was made on October 31, 1952, and it was not until January 31, 1953, that your check was received. It was necessary to retain Mrs. Clarke on the job to do all the miscellaneous clean-up work, social security tax reports, withholding tax reports, unemployment compensation reports, the final vouchers which covered the months of September, October, November and December, 1952. You can easily refer to these and they will give you the activities of those months, along with taking care of the advertising of the mining equipment for sale and its resultant inquiries. Would it not have been the proper thing to do, if her salary was to have been reduced, to have been so told by Mr. Anderson, the engineer who accompanied Mr. Hull when the final audit was made. Our contract with the Government agrees to a salary of $200.00 a month for the bookkeeper; nothing is stipulated about a reduction during the termination stage of the project. Mrs. Clarke was greatly inconvenienced by the delay in the final closing of the contract and was on the job only because she was needed and in so doing was taking care of your end of the partnership as well as Bennett Mining Company. Were you not interested as a Government representative in having the right kind of a job done and expecting to pay your share of the expense involved.

Now the last and final depletion of $50.00 disallowed for supervision. You state the "supervisor was off one-half month altho the project was charged $300.00 instead of $250.00 for that month". The supervisor Mr. Criswell was not off half a month but was off 4 days while in the hospital and altho sick and not feeling well for eight days previous to this was actually on the job. We have obtained an affidavit from Mr. Criswell to this effect and the affidavit has been duly acknowledged before a Notary Public. Who gave the information Mr. Criswell was off half a month; why were our figures disputed on this any more than the figures which pertained to any of the other employees whose names appeared on the same payroll. As a matter of fact Mr. Criswell was not off for more than 4 days although we will say his efficiency was impaired for eight more days; the only time he was really off the job was the time spent here in the hospital in Great Falls. He entered the hospital on a Friday nite about 9 P.M.(having been brot in by his wife from Neihart) and was released Monday noon, returning to Neihart the same day.

Now, Mr. Weissenborn and Mr. Volin, these are the true pertinent facts relating to all these deletions and we would like you to go over them carefully together and then take the matter up with Mr. Hindman, the Certifying Officer, and inform him of the facts.

Thanks very much for your time and attention to this. We will look forward to hearing from you.

With best regards to both of you, we are

Yours truly

Bennett Mining Company

By /s/ CARROLL R. BENNETT

Carroll R. Bennett
P O Box #1135
Great Falls, Montana

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION
~~WASHINGTON 25, D. C.~~
So. 157 Howard St.
Spokane 4, Wash.

January 19, 1953

Mr. R. J. Hindman
Certifying Officer
DMEA, Region II
1201 N. Division St.
Spokane, Washington

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Defense Minerals Administration
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Re: Docket No. DMEA 129 (lead-zinc)
Bennett Mining Company
Cascade County, Mont.
Contract No. Idm-181

Dear Mr. Hindman:

This is to inform you that the subject contract was mutually terminated due to the reluctance of the Operator to invest any more funds in an exploration program.

The full and final accounting of operations as presented by the Operator is considered acceptable by this office, and the Operator's final report evaluating the results of the work completed under the contract has been presented and accepted as satisfactory.

It is requested that the Operator's final invoice be accepted for vouchering and payment.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Weissenborn
Executive Officer, DMEA
Field Team, Region II

cc: DMEA (2)
USBM (2)
R. Hull
Cont. Adm. and Aud. Div., Wash., D.C.

Standard Form No. 1034a—Revised
Form prescribed by
Comptroller General, U. S.
September 7, 1950
(Gen. Reg. No. 51, Supp. No. 11)

PUBLIC VOUCHER FOR PURCHASES AND SERVICES OTHER THAN PERSONAL

D. O. Vou. No. .....

Bu. Vou. No. 629

U. S. .....
(Department, bureau, or establishment)

Voucher prepared at .....
(Give place and date) Jan. 26, 1953

THE UNITED STATES, Dr., Payee's Account No. Idm-281

To Bennett Mining Company
(Payee)

P. O. Box 1135 (Address) Great Falls, Montana (City) (State)

PAID BY

(For use of Paying Office)

No. and Date of Order	Date of Delivery or Service	ARTICLES OR SERVICES (Enter description, item number of contract or Federal supply schedule, and other information deemed necessary) Discount Terms	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE Cost	UNIT PRICE Per	AMOUNT Dollars	AMOUNT Cts.
	Aug. 1952	As per certified form MF-104 attached dated 8/10/52				3,680	30
	Sept. 1952	do dated 12/29/52				1,178	10
	Oct., Nov. and Dec.	do dated 12/29/52				978	76
						5,837	16
PAYMENT:	1952	Less 50% of disallowed by audit $1029.06				514.	53
Complete ☐		Less 50% of sale of Equipment and supplies, $2903.00				1,451.	50
Partial ☐		See Audit Certificate					
Final ☐		Use continuation sheet(s) if necessary					

Shipped from to Weight Government B/L No. Total 3,871 13

(Payee must NOT use this space)

Differences .....

Account verified; correct for 3,871 13

(Signature or initials) .....

Contract No. Date Req. No. Date Invoice Rec'd.

MEMORANDUM

ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION (For completion by Administrative Office)

Appropriation, limitation, or project symbol	Appropriation title	Limit'n. or Proj't. Amount	Appropriation Amount

Allotment symbol	Amount	Obligations liquidated	COST ACCOUNT Symbol	COST ACCOUNT Amount	OBJECTIVE CLASSIFICATION Symbol	OBJECTIVE CLASSIFICATION Amount

Paid by { Check No. ..... dated ....., 19....., for $..... } on Treasurer of the United States in favor of payee named above.
{ Cash, $....., on ....., 19.....

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METHOD OF OR ABSENCE OF ADVERTISING

METHOD OF ADVERTISING

1. Advertising in newspapers Yes ☐ No ☐
2. (*a*) Advertising by circular letters sent to ..... dealers.
   (*b*) And by notices posted in public places Yes ☐ No ☐.

   (If notices were not posted in addition to advertising by circular letters sent to dealers, explanation of such omission must be made below.)

ABSENCE OF ADVERTISING

3. Without advertising, under an exigency of the service which existed prior to the order and would not admit of the delay incident to advertising.
4. Without advertising in accordance with .....
5. Without advertising, it being impracticable to secure competition because of .....

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(Here state in detail the nature of the exigency or circumstances under which the securing of competition was impracticable under 3 and 4)

NOTE.—The above form "Method of or Absence of Advertising" is to be used when purchases are made or services secured under proper authority without written agreement in any form. In case of a written agreement (formal contract, proposal, and acceptance, or less formal agreement) Standard Form No. 1036—Revised should be used for abstracting the method of or absence of advertising and award of contract. (See General Regulations No. 51, as amended.)

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Form [redacted] (Rev.)

Budget Bureau No. 42-R1036.3.
Approval expires 6-30-53.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
OPERATOR'S MONTHLY REPORT AND VOUCHER

Month of ~~Nov & December~~ October 1952 Docket No. DMEA 129X Contract No. dm-E81

Operator's Name ~~Bennett Mining Company~~ Minerals Lead & Zinc

Address ~~P O Box #1135, Great Falls, Montana~~

Contract Amount, $ ~~100,000.00~~ Government Participation: ~~50~~ % Amount, $ 50,000.00

ITEMS OF COSTS	FOR OPERATOR'S USE: Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals To Date	FOR GOVERNMENT USE ONLY: Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
(1) Independent Short Form Contracts:						
Drilling						
Bulldozing						
Crosscutting						
Drifting						
(2) Labor and Supervision:						
Labor	183.16	35161.80	35344.96			
Supervision	900.00	10003.16	10903.16			
Technical Services						
(3) Operating Mat'ls. and Supplies:						
Timber		4666.49	4666.49			
Explosives		3282.98	3282.98			
Pipe						
Track						
~~Misel~~ Other		6004.15	6004.15			
(4) Operating Equipment:						
Rental	271.67	4989.78	5261.45			
Purchase		6773.53	6773.53			
Depreciation	250.00	4092.25	4342.25			
(5) Initial Rehabilitation and Repairs						
(6) New Bldgs., Improvements, etc.						
(7) Miscellaneous:						
Repairs to Equipment		142.98	142.98			
Sampling and Analysis						
Payroll Taxes Unemp Acc	52.83	3560.70	3613.53			
Liability Insurance						
~~Transportation~~	66.62	3666.44	3733.06			
~~Power~~	140.83	3481.25	3622.08			
(8) Contingencies (specify):						
~~Telephone~~ 35.64	92.38	1541.61	1633.99	40.30 10		
~~B/Ptg etc~~ 53.99						
~~Soc Sec~~ 2.75						
TOTALS	1957.49	87367.12	89324.61			

I certify that the above bill is correct and just and that payment therefor has not been received.

Date 12-29-52 *Payee ~~Bennett Mining Company~~

Per Carroll R. Bennett Title President

*When a voucher is signed or receipted in the name of a company or corporation, the name of the person writing the company or corporate name, as well as the capacity in which he signs, must appear. For example: "John Doe Company, per John Smith, Secretary," or "Treasurer," as the case may be.

NOTE.—Title 18, U. S. Code (Crimes), section 1001, makes it a criminal offense to make a willfully false statement or representation to any department or agency of the United States as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

(Instructions on reverse)

Pursuant to authority vested in me, I certify that this account is correct and proper for payment in the amount of:

$

Signature (Authorized Certifying Officer)

Date Vou. No.

(See other side)

(For Government use only)

CERTIFICATION BY GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE:

I certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the contractor submitting this voucher is operating a Defense Minerals Exploration Administration project under Contract No. E 81 in accordance with the terms of the contract.

Signature /s/ Webster S. Anderson Title Mining Engr. Date 1/20/53

APPROVAL BY DMEA EXECUTIVE OFFICER OR ALTERNATE:

Signature /s/ Elwin A. Magill Title Mining Engr. Date 1/20/53

MONTHLY REPORT OF OPERATOR

The Operator (Contractor) of an exploration project is required to make a monthly report to the Government through the Regional Executive Officer. This report consists of three parts as follows:

(a) *Form MF-104—Operator's Monthly Report and Voucher.*—This form details expenditures and constitutes a voucher for reimbursing the Operator for the Government's share of costs;

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION

OPERATOR'S UNIT COST AND PROGRESS REPORT

Month of October Nov. & Dec 1952 Docket No. DMEA 129X Contract No. Idm-E81
Operator's Name Bennett Mining Company Minerals Lead & Zinc
Address P O Box #1135, Great Falls, Montana

OPERATION	UNIT	COSTS THIS MONTH	UNITS THIS MONTH	COSTS TO DATE	UNITS TO DATE	UNIT COSTS TO DATE	AUTHORIZED BY CONTRACT Units	AUTHORIZED BY CONTRACT Unit Costs
Drifting	ft			43241.48	650	66.32	1500	
Crosscutting	ft			3837.55	106	36.20	250	
Raising							106	
Shafts							144	
Winzes	ft			25792.78	138.5	186.23	250	
Drilling: Core							139	
Churn							111	
Auger								
~~Stripping~~ Expense Closing								
~~Trenching~~ up Operation		1957.49		1957.49				
Test Pits								
Roads and Trails "Other"								
Enlarging for Winze Station	cu ft			2723.78	3700	.74		
TOTAL DISTRIBUTED COSTS		1957.49		77553.08				TOTAL COSTS AUTHORIZED BY CONTRACT
Operating Equipment Purchased				6773.53				
Initial Rehabilitation and Repairs				4998.00				
New Buildings, Improvements, etc.								
TOTAL COSTS		1957.49		89324.16				

The undersigned company, and the official executing this certification on its behalf, hereby certify that the information contained in this report is correct and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Date 12-29-52 Operator Bennett Mining Company

Per Carroll R. Bennett Title President

REMARKS:

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(Instructions on reverse)

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
OPERATOR'S MONTHLY REPORT AND VOUCHER

Month of September, 1952 Docket No. DMEA 129X Contract No. Idm- E01
Operator's Name Bennett Mining Company Minerals Lead & Zinc
Address P O Box #1135, Great Falls, Montana
Contract Amount, $100,000.00 Government Participation: 50 % Amount, $50,000.00

ITEMS OF COSTS	FOR OPERATOR'S USE			FOR GOVERNMENT USE ONLY		
	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals To Date	Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
(1) Independent Short Form Contracts:						
Drilling						
Bulldozing						
Crosscutting						
Drifting						
(2) Labor and Supervision:						
Labor	479.14	34682.66	35161.80			
Supervision	700.00	9303.16	10003.16			
Technical Services						
(3) Operating Mat'ls. and Supplies:						
Timber		4666.49	4666.49			
Explosives		3282.98	3282.98			
Pipe						
Track						
Miscl - lamps etc	30.95	5973.20	6004.15			
(4) Operating Equipment:						
Rental	418.48	4571.30	4989.78			
Purchase		6773.53	6773.53			
Depreciation	260.00	3832.25	4092.25			
(5) Initial Rehabilitation and Repairs						
(6) New Bldgs., Improvements, etc.						
(7) Miscellaneous:						
Repairs to Equipment		142.98	142.98			
Sampling and Analysis						
Payroll Taxes Unemp	14.36	3478.80	3560.70			
Liability Insurance Acc	67.54					
Transportation	102.44	3564.00	3666.44			
Power	253.27	3227.98	3481.25			
(8) Contingencies (specify):						
Telephone etc 9.23	30.01	1511.60	1541.61			
B/Ptg etc 13.60						
Soc Sec 7.18						
TOTALS	2356.19	85010.93	87367.12			

I certify that the above bill is correct and just and that payment therefor has not been received.

Date 10/01/52 *Payee Bennett Mining Company

Per Russell R. Bennett Title President

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(Instructions on reverse)

Pursuant to authority vested in me, I certify that this account is correct and proper for payment in the amount of:

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Signature (Authorized Certifying Officer)

Date Vou. No.
(See other side)

(For Government use only)

CERTIFICATION BY GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE:

I certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the contractor submitting this voucher is operating a Defense Minerals Exploration Administration project under Contract No. E 81 in accordance with the terms of the contract.

Signature /s/ Webster S Anderson Title Mining Engr. Date 1/20/53

APPROVAL BY DMEA EXECUTIVE OFFICER OR ALTERNATE:

Signature /s/ Elwin A Magill Title Mining Engr. Date 1/20/53

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION

OPERATOR'S UNIT COST AND PROGRESS REPORT

Month of September 1952 Docket No. DMEA 129X Contract No. Idm-831
Operator's Name Bennett Mining Company Minerals Lead & Zinc
Address P.O. Box #1135, Great Falls, Montana

OPERATION	UNIT	COSTS THIS MONTH	UNITS THIS MONTH	COSTS TO DATE	UNITS TO DATE	UNIT COSTS TO DATE	AUTHORIZED BY CONTRACT Units	AUTHORIZED BY CONTRACT Unit Costs
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Crosscutting	ft	—	—	3837.55	106	36.20	250	
Raising								
Shafts								
Winzes	ft	—	—	25792.78	138.5	186.23	250	
Drilling: Core								
Churn								
Auger								
Stripping								
Trenching								
Test Pits								
Roads and Trails "Other" Enlarging for Winze Station	cu ft	—	—	2723.78	3700	.74		
TOTAL DISTRIBUTED COSTS		2356.19		75595.59				TOTAL COSTS AUTHORIZED BY CONTRACT
Operating Equipment Purchased				6773.53				
Initial Rehabilitation and Repairs				4996.00				
New Buildings, Improvements, etc.				—				
TOTAL COSTS		2356.19		87367.12				

The undersigned company, and the official executing this certification on its behalf, hereby certify that the information contained in this report is correct and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Date 12/22/52 Operator Bennett Mining Company

Per Lawrence F. Bennett Title President

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During the month of September work continued advancing the face of the drift on the new 500 level. This work was prosecuted on a one-shift basis as that was all the available labor would permit. By September 1, 1952, an advance of 12.0 feet had been made and at this time due to many factors it was decided to suspend all operations under terms of the [illegible] contract.

The remainder of the month was spent in removing all equipment and supplies from the mine, storing and inventorying them and making preparations for an instrument survey. During this period only one man was employed to keep the water out of the lower level until the survey had been completed and later as a surveyor's helper. Considerable difficulty and delay was experienced in locating a transit available for rental.

In the short distance the 500 level drift was advanced, using an [illegible] no change of geologic formation was encountered, the wall rock remaining badly altered Pinto Diorite and the vein exposed showing a true fault width of good ore averaging about 1% lead, 2% zinc and 1.0 ounces of silver.

Form MF-104 (Rev.)
(April 1952)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION

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OPERATOR'S MONTHLY REPORT AND VOUCHER

Month of [illegible] 195[illegible] Docket No. DMEA _____ Contract No. [illegible]
Operator's Name [illegible] Company Minerals [illegible]
Address [illegible] 1150, [illegible] Montana
Contract Amount $[illegible] Government Participation: [illegible] % Amount $[illegible]

ITEMS OF COSTS	FOR OPERATOR'S USE: Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals To Date	FOR GOVERNMENT USE ONLY: Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
(1) Independent Short Form Contracts:						
Drilling						
Bulldozing						
Crosscutting						
Drifting						
(2) Labor and Supervision:						
Labor	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
Supervision	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
Technical Services						
(3) Operating Mat'ls. and Supplies:						
Timber	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
Explosives	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
Pipe						
Track						
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
(4) Operating Equipment:						
Rental	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
Purchase		[illegible]	[illegible]			
Depreciation	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
(5) Initial Rehabilitation and Repairs						
(6) New Bldgs., Improvements, etc.						
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Repairs to Equipment		[illegible]	[illegible]			
Sampling and Analysis						
Payroll Taxes [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
Liability Insurance [illegible]						
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
(8) Contingencies (specify):						
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
[illegible]						
[illegible]						
TOTALS	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			

I certify that the above bill is correct and just and that payment therefor has not been received.

Date [illegible] *Payee [illegible] Company

Per [illegible] Title [illegible]

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Signature _____ (Authorized Certifying Officer)

Date _____ Vou. No. _____

(See other side)

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I certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the contractor submitting this voucher is operating a Defense Minerals Exploration Administration project under Contract No. 81 in accordance with the terms of the contract.

Signature Webster S. Anderson Title Mining Eng Date 9/12/52

APPROVAL BY DMEA EXECUTIVE OFFICER OR ALTERNATE:

Signature J. E. Howard Title Mining Engr. Date 9/15/52

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OPERATOR'S UNIT COST AND PROGRESS REPORT

Month of [illegible] 1952 Docket No. DMEA [illegible] Contract No. [illegible]
Operator's Name [illegible]
Address [illegible]
Minerals [illegible]

OPERATION	UNIT	COSTS THIS MONTH	UNITS THIS MONTH	COSTS TO DATE	UNITS TO DATE	UNIT COSTS TO DATE	AUTHORIZED BY CONTRACT	
							Units	Unit Costs
Drifting	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
Crosscutting	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
Raising								
Shafts								
Winzes	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
Drilling: Core								
Churn								
Auger								
Stripping								
Trenching								
Test Pits								
Roads and Trails [illegible]	[illegible]	—	—	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		
[illegible]								
TOTAL DISTRIBUTED COSTS		[illegible]		[illegible]				TOTAL COSTS AUTHORIZED BY CONTRACT
Operating Equipment Purchased				[illegible]				
Initial Rehabilitation and Repairs				[illegible]				
New Buildings, Improvements, etc.								
TOTAL COSTS		[illegible]		[illegible]				

The undersigned company, and the official executing this certification on its behalf, hereby certify that the information contained in this report is correct and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Date [illegible] Operator [illegible]

Per [illegible] Title [illegible]

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During the month of August operations progressed smoothly with no unusual difficulties being encountered and a total advance of 108 feet was made in the drift on the new 500 level. The drift was advanced to the south from the point where the crosscut encountered the vein.

Labor as usual was in short supply during the period, with only enough men available for single shift operation. This condition necessitated one man on shift at night to keep the lower level pumped out so progress could be made without delay due to water, but did contribute to high cost per foot of advance.

In the course of the drifting no new formation or change of formation were encountered, both walls of the drift being Pinto diorite. The foot wall showed severe hydro-thermal alteration and some replacement by stringers of sulphides of lead and zinc. At the point where the crosscut intersected the vein, four feet of ore was found which assayed 3.8% lead, 31.0% zinc and 2.4 ounces of silver per ton. As the drift progressed southward the width of ore gradually decreased to about 15 inches, although the grade remained good. A short blank spot in the values was encountered about 60 feet south of the crosscut but it lasted only a few feet before commercial ore was again revealed in the drift. The assay quoted above is the only one available at the present time.

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION
~~WASHINGTON 25, D. C.~~
So. 157 Howard Street
Spokane 4, Washington

December 10, 1952

Bennett Mining Company
P. O. Box 1135
Great Falls, Montana

Re: Docket DMEA-129X (Lead-Zinc)
Dacotah mine
Contract Idm-E81

Dear Mr. Bennett:

Acknowledgement is made to your letter of November 29, 1952, in which you submit an offer made by Weissman & Sons, Inc., for certain supply items remaining from your exploration contract.

After considerable discussion of your supply item problem and the machinery in which the Government has an equity, the Field Team wishes to advise you as follows:

1. The Government will accept your offer of $5.00 per box for powder.

2. Acceptance is made of Weissman & Sons offer for unused supply items. Cost of transporting these items to Great Falls is an allowable expense of the contract and may be presented for settlement.

3. Pending receipt of a better offer, the Government will accept Mr. Greenwood's offer for machinery in which the Government has an equity. There are, however, certain items which will have to be clarified by you with respect to this offer. For one thing, it is assumed that Greenwood's offer is f.o.b. Neihart. It is also assumed that accrued county taxes on this machinery will be paid by the Bennett Mining Company. If these matters are in question, it is suggested that you contact Mr. Greenwood for clarification. Settlement of such matters are your responsibility and not the Government's.

   In the event you wish to purchase the machinery you will have to make a firm offer to this office stating what you wish to buy and the price you will pay. This offer will have to exceed Mr. Greenwood's in order for you to obtain the machinery.

In regard to your request for our geological field notes, we are forbidden by law to give these notes to you. However, if you would care to send a representative to this office, we would be glad to show our maps and assay information. In the event we have a field man in the Neihart area we would also gladly have him show you such information as may be pertinent.

We will appreciate a reply from you so that we may reach a final settlement in regard to your contract.

By DMEA Field Team, Region II

A. E. Weissenborn, Executive Officer
(U. S. Geological Survey)

M. E. Volin, Member
(U. S. Bureau of Mines)

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
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So. 157 Howard Street
Spokane 4, Washington

Department of the Interior
Defense Minerals Administration
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Department of the Interior
Defense Minerals Administration

November 18, 1952

Bennett Mining Company
P. O. Box 1135
Great Falls, Montana

Re: Docket DMEA-12[illegible]X (lead-zinc)
Dacotah Mine, Cascade County, Montana
Contract Idm-881

Attention: Mrs Francis Clark

Gentlemen:

This will confirm a telephone conversation between Mrs. Clark and Mr. T. H Kiilsgaard of November 17, 1952, regarding disposal of contract equipment in which the Government has an equity and also disposal of unused supplies.

Reference is also made to a telephone conversation between Mr. Weissenborn and Mr. Bennett of November 3, 1952, concerning disposal of equipment. At that time Mr. Weissenborn stated that prices for equipment quoted by Mr. Bennett were satisfactory, with the exception of the mucking machine and the air trammer. The mucking machine cost $3,000, the offer was $1,400, and our estimate of its present value $2,000. The air trammer cost $1,862, the offer $800, and our estimate of its present value $1,000. Mr. Weissenborn advised Mr. Bennett to advertise these items following which the Government would accept the offer made by the highest bidder. We wish to advise that we have mentioned the availability of these machines to several mine operators in this area and are awaiting word from those who might be interested in buying the machines.

We are enclosing an inventory compiled by W. S. Anderson, U. S. Bureau of Mines, on his latest visit to your property. On this list, supply items to which a value is assigned will have to be disposed of to the best interest of the Government. Items that have no assigned value are considered expendable and have no recoverable value so far as the contract is concerned.

In regard to the powder, the Government will accept the offer voiced by Mrs. Clark of $5.00 per box. An offer should be made for the blasting caps also as both items are classed as explosives to which is assigned a replacement value.

We will need a letter from the Operator listing the highest prices offered for equitable equipment and also the highest prices for supplies to which have been assigned a replacement value. With this information on hand we will be able to proceed with the final auditing of the subject contract.

Sincerely yours,

M. E. Volin
Acting Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region II

cc: DMEA (2)
USBM (2)
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September 30, 1952

Bennett Mining Co.
P. O. Box 1135
Great Falls, Montana

Subject: Suspension of work under Contract Idm-E81

Gentlemen:

Mr. Criswell, mine superintendent of the Dacotah mine, recently informed our field engineer that active exploration under the contract was suspended on September 10, 1952. He also stated that work since this date has consisted of the removal of equipment and the installation of drift set bracing timbers. As of September 23, 1952 the only equipment remaining in the mine was the sump pump, air hoist, and skip.

Under the terms of the contract the Government can contribute only as long as active exploration is being carried on, except in the case of termination of the contract. Inasmuch as active exploration was suspended on September 10, 1952 and work since then apparently has consisted only of putting the mine on a stand-by basis, the Government cannot contribute to the cost of such work.

If the contract is terminated, however, any necessary and reasonable costs incurred in preserving and disposing of any facilities, buildings, fixtures, equipment or other items in which the Government has an equity shall be considered an allowable cost of the project.

Field Team, Region II

WSA/TEH/kt

A. E. Weissenborn, Exec. Officer
(U. S. Geological Survey)

Glenn C. Reed
Acting for M. E. Volin, Member
(U. S. Bureau of Mines)

CC: 2-Wash
2-USGS
DMEA
M/D

Standard Form No. 1034a—Revised
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PUBLIC VOUCHER FOR PURCHASES AND SERVICES OTHER THAN PERSONAL

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U. S. Interior, Mines
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Voucher prepared at Albany, Oregon 9/8/52
(Give place and date)

PAID BY

(For use of Paying Office)

THE UNITED STATES, Dr., Payee's Account No. Idn-E 81

To Bennett Mining Company,
(Payee)

P. O. Box 1135, Great Falls, Montana
(Address) (City) (State)

No. and Date of Order	Date of Delivery or Service	ARTICLES OR SERVICES (Enter description, item number of contract or Federal supply schedule, and other information deemed necessary) Discount Terms	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE Cost	UNIT PRICE Per	AMOUNT Dollars	AMOUNT Cts.
	July 1952	As per attached certified form MF-104 dated August 12, 1952				2,749	40
PAYMENT: Complete ☐ Partial ☐ Final ☐		Use continuation sheet(s) if necessary					

Shipped from to Weight Government B/L No. Total 2,749 40

(Payee must NOT use this space)

Differences .....

Account verified; correct for 2,749 40

(Signature or initials) .....

Contract No. Idn-E81 Date Req. No. Date Invoice Rec'd.

2,749.40

MEMORANDUM

ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION (For completion by Administrative Office)

Appropriation, limitation, or project symbol	Appropriation title	Limit'n. or Proj't. Amount	Appropriation Amount
14X4401	Revolving Fund, Defense Production Act, Interior	2,749.40	2,749.40

Allotment symbol	Amount	Obligations liquidated	COST ACCOUNT Symbol	COST ACCOUNT Amount	OBJECTIVE CLASSIFICATION Symbol	OBJECTIVE CLASSIFICATION Amount

Paid by { Check No. ..... dated ....., 19....., for $..... } on Treasurer of the United States in favor of payee named above.
{ Cash, $....., on ....., 19.....

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METHOD OF OR ABSENCE OF ADVERTISING

METHOD OF ADVERTISING

1. Advertising in newspapers Yes ☐ No ☐.
2. (*a*) Advertising by circular letters sent to ..... dealers.
   (*b*) And by notices posted in public places Yes ☐ No ☐.

   (If notices were not posted in addition to advertising by circular letters sent to dealers, explanation of such omission must be made below.)

ABSENCE OF ADVERTISING

3. Without advertising, under an exigency of the service which existed prior to the order and would not admit of the delay incident to advertising.
4. Without advertising in accordance with .....
5. Without advertising, it being impracticable to secure competition because of .....

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(Here state in detail the nature of the exigency or circumstances under which the securing of competition was impracticable under 3 and 4)

NOTE.—The above form "Method of or Absence of Advertising" is to be used when purchases are made or services secured under proper authority without written agreement in any form. In case of a written agreement (formal contract, proposal, and acceptance, or less formal agreement) Standard Form No. 1036—Revised should be used for abstracting the method of or absence of advertising and award of contract. (See General Regulations No. 51, as amended.)

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OPERATOR'S MONTHLY REPORT AND VOUCHER

Month of July, 1952 Docket No. DMEA 129X Contract No. Idm-E81
Operator's Name Bennett Mining Company Minerals Lead & Zinc
Address P O Box 4135, Great Falls, Montana
Contract Amount, $ 100,000.00 Government Participation: 50 % Amount, $ 50,000.00

ITEMS OF COSTS	FOR OPERATOR'S USE			FOR GOVERNMENT USE ONLY		
	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals To Date	Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
(1) Independent Short Form Contracts:						
Drilling						
Bulldozing						
Crosscutting						
Drifting						
(2) Labor and Supervision:						
Labor	2998.93	27105.39	30104.32			
Supervision	700.00	7903.16	8603.16			
Technical Services						
(3) Operating Mat'ls. and Supplies:						
Timber	18.20	4446.42	4464.62			
Explosives	8.00	3253.30	3261.38			
Pipe						
Track						
Miscl, incl nails, water hose etc	263.78	5390.99	5654.77			
(4) Operating Equipment:						
Rental	155.00	4261.30	4416.30			
Purchase		6773.53	6773.53			
Depreciation	305.00	3247.25	3552.25			
(5) Initial Rehabilitation and Repairs						
(6) New Bldgs., Improvements, etc.						
(7) Miscellaneous:						
Repairs to Equipment		142.98	142.98			
Sampling and Analysis						
Payroll Taxes Unemp 89.97 Acc 247.77	337.74	2653.00	2990.74			
Liability Insurance						
Transportation	371.81	2925.60	3297.41			
Power	269.92	2696.09	2966.01			
(8) Contingencies (specify):						
Telephone 16.07	70.35	1352.52	1422.87			
B/Printing 1.80						
Soc.Sec. 52.48						
TOTALS	5498.81	72151.53	77650.34	5,498.81	72,151.53	77,650.34

I certify that the above bill is correct and just and that payment therefor has not been received.

Date Aug.12,1952 *Payee Bennett Mining Company

Per [signature] Title President

*When a voucher is signed or receipted in the name of a company or corporation, the name of the person writing the company or corporate name, as well as the capacity in which he signs, must appear. For example: "John Doe Company, per John Smith, Secretary," or "Treasurer," as the case may be.

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Pursuant to authority vested in me, I certify that this account is correct and proper for payment in the amount of:

$ 2749.60

Signature Wash
(Authorized Certifying Officer)

Date 9/8/52 Vou. No.
(See other side)

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CERTIFICATION BY GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE:

I certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the contractor submitting this voucher is operating a Defense Minerals Exploration Administration project under Contract No. E-81 in accordance with the terms of the contract.

Signature D.R. Irving Title Mining Engr. Date 8/15/52

APPROVAL BY DMEA EXECUTIVE OFFICER OR ALTERNATE:

Signature Thomas E. Howard Title Mining Engr Date 8/15/52

MONTHLY REPORT OF OPERATOR

The Operator (Contractor) of an exploration project is required to make a monthly report to the Government through the Regional Executive Officer. This report consists of three parts as follows:

(*a*) *Form MF-104—Operator's Monthly Report and Voucher.*—This form details expenditures and constitutes a voucher for reimbursing the Operator for the Government's share of costs;

(*b*) *Form MF-104A—Operator's Unit Cost and Progress Report.*—This is a statistical report of expenditures which shows costs for the various types of operation; and

(*c*) *Narrative.*—A concise narrative description of progress made, results accomplished, and any unusual difficulties encountered must be furnished as an attachment to this Report and Voucher. Wherever possible, the narrative is to be illustrated with maps or sketches showing formations penetrated and location and assays of samples taken as well as advances in workings. In the case of diamond drilling or churn drilling, the location and inclination of holes is to be shown on a map; logs and assays also are to be submitted.

The Monthly Report of Operator should be prepared in an original and four copies all of which must be sent to the Executive Officer of the Region not later than the 15th of the month following.

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The items of costs are arranged in the order they appear in Article 6 (a) of Form MF-200 (Revised February 1952), however, this form is readily adaptable for use in reporting activities under other contract forms.

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Under Item (2) include labor, supervision and technical services incurred for the exploratory operations. Do not include labor, supervision and technical services used for work performed under items (5) and (6).

Under Item (3) include the costs of material and supplies used in the project other than that used under items (5) and (6).

Under Item (4) appear the three types of operating equipment expenditures, that is, rental, purchase and depreciation. The expenditures made for renting equipment belonging to a third party will be reported under "Rental". The amount paid or duly obligated for payment for the purchase of equipment will be reported under "Purchase". The amount of expenditures due the Operator to reimburse him for depreciation of equipment owned will be reported under "Depreciation".

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Month of July 1952 Docket No. DMEA 129Y Contract No. Idm-E 61
Operator's Name Bennett Mining Company Minerals Lead & Zinc
Address P.O Box 4135, Great Falls, Montana

OPERATION	Unit	Costs This Month	Units This Month	Costs to Date	Units to Date	Unit Costs to Date	Authorized by Contract: Units	Authorized by Contract: Unit Costs
Drifting	ft	5498.81	73	33524.70	530	63.25	1500	
Crosscutting	ft	—		3837.55	106	36.20	250	
Raising								
Shafts								
Winzes	ft	—		25792.78	130.5	196.23	250	
Drilling: Core								
Churn								
Auger								
Stripping								
Trenching								
Test Pits								
Roads and Trails "Other" Enlarging for Winze Stattion	cu ft	—		2723.78	3700	.74		
Total Distributed Costs		5498.81		65878.81				Total Costs Authorized by Contract
Operating Equipment Purchased				6773.53				
Initial Rehabilitation and Repairs				4998.00				
New Buildings, Improvements, etc.								
Total Costs		5498.81		77650.34				

The undersigned company, and the official executing this certification on its behalf, hereby certify that the information contained in this report is correct and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Date Aug. 12, 1952 Operator Bennett Mining Company

Per [signature] Title President

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During the month of July operations were confined mainly to progress on the new 500 level, altho 15 feet of advance was made in the 400 level drift. The last 4 feet of station on the 500 level was completed and 49 feet of cross-cut driven to the vein on this level by July 17th.

There was no change of formation encountered in any of this work, the rock penetrated being diorite porphory, locally termed Pinto Diorite, in all instances. On July 17, the 500 cross-cut penetrated the vein releasing a heavy flow of water, which gradually increased until the 19th, by which time the pumps then in service were unable to handle it. This resulted in flooding of the 500 level cross-cut and station and necessitated renting a larger pump, which was placed in service on July 22. It was July 24th before the water had been removed from the level sufficiently to permit the resumption of work in this heading. Thus approximately a week's time was lost as far as advancing this level was concerned. During this time the mucking machine was disassembled, lowered to the new level and re-assembled, a pressure tank for drilling water installed, car lowered to the level for use with the mucking machine and of course the winze and sump cleaned out. In the interval elapsed while flooded out, the cross-cut caved from the point where it pierced the vein back about 18 feet toward the winze.

At the point where the 500 level cross-cut intersected the vein, about 6 feet of good grade lead-zinc ore was disclosed, of which approximately 30 inches was extremely high grade, assaying 8% lead and 35% zinc. When work was resumed on this level, the cross-cut was again started around the cave toward the vein and about 5 feet of advance made by the end of the month.

The last 35 feet of advance made in the 400 level drift was also in ore. This drift showed from 1.0 to 2.5 feet of ore assaying from 11.0% to as high as 15% combined lead and zinc.

During the early part of the month labor was in short supply, only enough men being available to work the 500 level one shift per day and the 400 level drift one shift per day. By the middle of the month this situation has improved sufficiently to enable us to devote 2 shifts per day to work on the 500 level.

Standard Form No. 1034a—Revised
Form prescribed by
Comptroller General, U. S.
September 7, 1950
(Gen. Reg. No. 51, Supp. No. 11)

PUBLIC VOUCHER FOR PURCHASES AND SERVICES OTHER THAN PERSONAL

D. O. Vou. No. .....

Bu. Vou. No. DMA-307

U. S. Interior, Mines
(Department, bureau, or establishment)

Voucher prepared at Albany, Oregon 7/29/52
(Give place and date)

THE UNITED STATES, Dr., Payee's Account No. Idm-E 81

To Bennett Mining Company,
(Payee)

P. O. Box 1135, Great Falls, Montana
(Address) (City) (State)

PAID BY

(For use of Paying Office)

No. and Date of Order	Date of Delivery or Service	ARTICLES OR SERVICES (Enter description, item number of contract or Federal supply schedule, and other information deemed necessary) Discount Terms: net	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE Cost	UNIT PRICE Per	AMOUNT Dollars	AMOUNT Cts.
	June 1952	As per attached Certified Form MF-104 dated 7/14/52 attached.				2,547 84	
PAYMENT: Complete ☐ Partial ☐ Final ☐		Use continuation sheet(s) if necessary					
Shipped from	to	Weight	Government B/L No.		Total	2,547 84	

(Payee must NOT use this space)

Differences .....

Account verified; correct for 2,547 84

(Signature or initials) .....

Contract No. Idm-E 81 Date Req. No. Date Invoice Rec'd.

2,547.84

MEMORANDUM

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES ACCOUNTING OFFICE
AUG 4 1952

ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION (For completion by Administrative Office)

Appropriation, limitation, or project symbol	Appropriation title	Limit'n. or Proj't. Amount	Appropriation Amount
14X4401	Revolving Fund, Defense Production Act, Interior	2,547.84	2,547.84

Allotment symbol	Amount	Obligations liquidated	COST ACCOUNT Symbol	COST ACCOUNT Amount	OBJECTIVE CLASSIFICATION Symbol	OBJECTIVE CLASSIFICATION Amount

Paid by { Check No. ..... dated ....., 19....., for $..... } on Treasurer of the United States in favor of payee named above.
{ Cash, $....., on ....., 19.....

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METHOD OF OR ABSENCE OF ADVERTISING

METHOD OF ADVERTISING

1. Advertising in newspapers Yes ☐ No ☐.
2. (*a*) Advertising by circular letters sent to ..... dealers.
   (*b*) And by notices posted in public places Yes ☐ No ☐.

   (If notices were not posted in addition to advertising by circular letters sent to dealers, explanation of such omission must be made below.).

ABSENCE OF ADVERTISING

3. Without advertising, under an exigency of the service which existed prior to the order and would not admit of the delay incident to advertising.
4. Without advertising in accordance with .....
5. Without advertising, it being impracticable to secure competition because of .....

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(Here state in detail the nature of the exigency or circumstances under which the securing of competition was impracticable under 3 and 4)

NOTE.—The above form "Method of or Absence of Advertising" is to be used when purchases are made or services secured under proper authority without written agreement in any form. In case of a written agreement (formal contract, proposal, and acceptance, or less formal agreement) Standard Form No. 1036—Revised should be used for abstracting the method of or absence of advertising and award of contract. (See General Regulations No. 51, as amended.)

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Form [illegible]-104 (Rev.)
(April 1952)

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
OPERATOR'S MONTHLY REPORT AND VOUCHER

Month of June, 1952 Docket No. DMEA 129X Contract No. Idn-E 81
Operator's Name Bennett Mining Company Minerals Lead & Zinc
Address P O Box 1135, Great Falls, Montana
Contract Amount, $ 100,000.00 Government Participation: 50% Amount, $ 50,000.00

ITEMS OF COSTS	FOR OPERATOR'S USE			FOR GOVERNMENT USE ONLY		
	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals To Date	Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
(1) Independent / Short Form Contracts:						
Drilling						
Bulldozing						
Crosscutting						
Drifting						
(2) Labor and Supervision:						
Labor	2635.79	24469.60	27105.39			
Supervision	700.00	7203.16	7903.16			
Technical Services						
(3) Operating Mat'ls. and Supplies:						
Timber	306.00	4140.42	4446.42			
Explosives	—	3253.30	3253.30			
Pipe						
Track						
Miscl, incl nails, spikes, chain etc	199.56	5191.43	5390.99			
(4) Operating Equipment:						
Rental	155.00	4106.30	4261.30			
Purchase	—	6773.53	6773.53			
Depreciation	300.00	2947.25	3247.25			
(5) Initial Rehabilitation and Repairs						
(6) New Bldgs., Improvements, etc.						
(7) Miscellaneous:						
Repairs to Equipment	—	142.98	142.98			
Sampling and Analysis						
Payroll Taxes Unemp 94.07 Rec 159.48	253.55	2399.45	2653.00			
Liability Insurance						
Transportation	227.41	2698.19	2925.60			
Power	256.21	2439.88	2696.09			
(8) Contingencies (specify):						
Telephone 14.08 B/Printing 1.05 Social Sec 47.04	62.17	1290.35	1352.52			
TOTALS	5095.69	67055.84	72151.53	5095.69	67055.84	72,151.53

I certify that the above bill is correct and just and that payment therefor has not been received.

Date 7-14-52 *Payee Bennett Mining Company

Per Carroll R. Bennett Title President

*When a voucher is signed or receipted in the name of a company or corporation, the name of the person writing the company or corporate name, as well as the capacity in which he signs, must appear. For example: "John Doe Company, per John Smith, Secretary," or "Treasurer," as the case may be.

→ NOTE.—Title 18, U. S. Code (Crimes), section 1001, makes it a criminal offense to make a willfully false statement or representation to any department or agency of the United States as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

(Instructions on reverse)

Pursuant to authority vested in me, I certify that this account is correct and proper for payment in the amount of:

$ 2,547.84

Signature
(Authorized Certifying Officer)

Date Vou. No.
(See other side)

(For Government use only)

CERTIFICATION BY GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE:

I certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the contractor submitting this voucher is operating a Defense Minerals Exploration Administration project under Contract No. E-81 in accordance with the terms of the contract.

Signature Eric H. Erickson Title Engr. Date 7-16-52

APPROVAL BY DMEA EXECUTIVE OFFICER OR ALTERNATE:

Signature Thomas E. Howard Title Mining Engr Date 7-16-52

MONTHLY REPORT OF OPERATOR

The Operator (Contractor) of an exploration project is required to make a monthly report to the Government through the Regional Executive Officer. This report consists of three parts as follows:

(a) *Form MF-104—Operator's Monthly Report and Voucher.*—This form details expenditures and constitutes a voucher for reimbursing the Operator for the Government's share of costs;

(b) *Form MF-104A—Operator's Unit Cost and Progress Report.*—This is a statistical report of expenditures which shows costs for the various types of operation; and

(c) *Narrative.*—A concise narrative description of progress made, results accomplished, and any unusual difficulties encountered must be furnished as an attachment to this Report and Voucher. Wherever possible, the narrative is to be illustrated with maps or sketches showing formations penetrated and location and assays of samples taken as well as advances in workings. In the case of diamond drilling or churn drilling, the location and inclination of holes is to be shown on a map; logs and assays also are to be submitted.

The Monthly Report of Operator should be prepared in an original and four copies all of which must be sent to the Executive Officer of the Region not later than the 15th of the month following.

Preparation of Form MF-104—Operator's Monthly Report and Voucher.—All the applicable spaces in Form MF-104 should be filled in by the Operator, and the Operator or his agent should sign the certification in the lower left corner of the form.

The items of costs are arranged in the order they appear in Article 6 (a) of Form MF-200 (Revised February 1952), however, this form is readily adaptable for use in reporting activities under other contract forms.

Under Item (1) delete words "Short Form" if the contract is a sub-contract under Form MF-200; and delete word "Independent" if the contract reported is on Form MF-200 (A). Also, report work paid for on a unit basis under contract Form MF-200 as though it were performed under an independent contract.

Under Item (2) include labor, supervision and technical services incurred for the exploratory operations. Do not include labor, supervision and technical services used for work performed under items (5) and (6).

Under Item (3) include the costs of material and supplies used in the project other than that used under items (5) and (6).

Under Item (4) appear the three types of operating equipment expenditures, that is, rental, purchase and depreciation. The expenditures made for renting equipment belonging to a third party will be reported under "Rental". The amount paid or duly obligated for payment for the purchase of equipment will be reported under "Purchase". The amount of expenditures due the Operator to reimburse him for depreciation of equipment owned will be reported under "Depreciation".

Item (5) comprises costs of labor, supervision, technical services, materials, etc., which are used in the initial rehabilitation and repair of existing buildings, installations, fixtures, and equipment. These costs, therefore, should not be reported under items (2) and (3).

Item (6) includes the labor, supervision, technical services, materials, etc., used in the installation or construction of new buildings, fixed improvements, etc., necessary for the project. These costs, therefore, should not be reported under items (2) and (3).

Item (7) covers miscellaneous types of expenditure such as payroll taxes, liability insurance, workmen's compensation insurance, repairs to equipment and sampling and analysis. Only that part of payroll taxes, liability insurance and workmen's compensation which are paid by the operator should be reported under item (7). The share paid by the employee as a payroll deduction is to be included under item (2) as labor costs.

Item (8) includes any unforeseen costs not included in the other seven categories.

The original of Form MF-104 when submitted for reimbursable expenses incurred under contract Form MF-200 must be supported by original documentation or by certified copies of purchase orders, payrolls or transcripts of payrolls, unless such documentation has been waived by the Regional Executive Officer. This certification may be stated thus, "Certified True Copy (or Transcript)", followed by appropriate signature. If the Executive Officer of the Region determines that a contract under Form MF-200 should have an "on-site" audit, that is, a Government auditor should make an audit of the Operator's books and records of account, the Operator need not support his monthly voucher with original or certified documents except in cases of equipment purchases whose individual costs exceed $50.00. In these cases the original or a certified copy of the purchase order or invoice should be attached to the Monthly Voucher. N. B.—Only the *original* of Form MF-104 is required to be documented. The four copies of Form MF-104 are not to be thus supported.

Form MF-104 submitted for reimbursement under fixed price contracts on Form MF-200 (A), however, are not required to be supported by documentation of any kind. The Operator will submit his claim under item (1) of Form MF-104 by deleting as stated above the word "Independent" and by showing the number of feet or other units immediately after the appropriate descriptive word, such as, drilling, bulldozing, crosscutting, drifting, etc., and giving the "Monthly Total" amount due. "Totals Previously Reported", and "Totals to Date" columns should also be filled in.

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Form [illegible]104A
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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION

OPERATOR'S UNIT COST AND PROGRESS REPORT

Month of June 1952 Docket No. DMEA 129X Contract No. Idm-E-81
Operator's Name Bennett Mining Company Minerals Lead & Zinc
Address P O Box 1135, Great Falls, Montana

Operation	Unit	Costs This Month	Units This Month	Costs to Date	Units to Date	Unit Costs to Date	Authorized by Contract: Units	Authorized by Contract: Unit Costs
Drifting	ft	2981.61	55.5	28025.89	457	61.33	1500	
Crosscutting		—		3837.55	106	36.20	250	
Raising								
Shafts								
Winzes	ft	2114.08	17.5	25792.78	138.5	186.23	250	
Drilling: Core								
Churn								
Auger								
Stripping								
Trenching								
Test Pits								
Roads and Trails								
Other - Enlarging for Winze Station	cu ft	—	—	2723.78	3780	.74		
Total Distributed Costs		5095.69		60300.00				Total Costs Authorized by Contract
Operating Equipment Purchased				6773.53				
Initial Rehabilitation and Repairs				4998.00				
New Buildings, Improvements, etc.								
Total Costs				72151.53				

The undersigned company, and the official executing this certification on its behalf, hereby certify that the information contained in this report is correct and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Date July 14, 1952 Operator Bennett Mining Company

Per Carroll P. Bennett Title President

NOTE.—Title 18, U. S. Code (Crimes), section 1001, makes it a criminal offense to make a willfully false statement or representation to any department or agency of the United States as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

(Instructions on reverse)

Remarks:

(For Government use only)

Department of the Interior
Defense Minerals Administration
Received
AUG 4 1952

INSTRUCTIONS

Preparation of Form MF-104A—Operator's Unit Cost and Progress Report.—Applicable places on Form 104A should be filled in by the Operator. The purpose of this form is twofold as follows: (1) to furnish the supervising engineers and other administrators with statistical information necessary to better determine the progress of the project; and (2) to furnish more permanent information on mining costs for future use. The more important phases of operation on which permanent information is desired have been outlined in the form. There are blank lines, however, for those unusual phases which may need to be reported for a particular project. It will be necessary for the Operator to distribute his costs among the applicable phases reported with the exception of three items the costs of which are not to be distributed by the Operator. These three items are: "Operating Equipment Purchased", "Initial Rehabilitation and Repairs", and "New Buildings, Improvements, etc." The reason for not distributing these items on a monthly basis is doubtless clear to the Operator, since such distribution might well overstate the cost for any one month or period short of the entire contract period.

Form MF-104A has been designed to tie in with Form MF-104 for both monthly and cumulative costs. The "Total Costs" on Form MF-104A for each month should equal the monthly "Total Costs" as reported on Form MF-104. This is also true of the "Total Costs To Date".

In preparing Form MF-104A, it will be necessary frequently to distribute certain costs over a number of items. For instance, supervisory and engineering costs may have to be distributed over several phases, such as, drifting, crosscutting, raising, etc., provided that these items were reported active for the month. Such distributions should be made on the basis of time spent on the various phases, on man days of labor charged to such phases, or on some other equitable basis. "Operating Equipment", "Initial Rehabilitation and Repairs", and "New Buildings Improvements, etc.", will be distributed to the several phases of the project by the Washington Office of DMEA at the close of the project if determined necessary. The last two columns headed "Authorized by Contract" will be filled in by the Operator if such information is found in the contract. This information is usually a part of Exhibit "A" of the contract. A space for remarks has been provided for the use of the Operator to call attention to any unusual circumstances causing excessive or disproportionate unit costs.

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Standard Form No. 1034a—Revised
Form prescribed by
Comptroller General, U. S.
September 7, 1950
(Gen. Reg. No. 51, Supp. No. 11)

PUBLIC VOUCHER FOR PURCHASES AND SERVICES OTHER THAN PERSONAL

D. O. Vou. No. DMA-264
Bu. Vou. No.

U. S. Interior, Mines
(Department, bureau, or establishment)

Voucher prepared at Albany, Oregon 6/24/52
(Give place and date)

THE UNITED STATES, Dr., Payee's Account No. Idm-E 81

To Bennett Mining Company,
(Payee)

P. O. Box 1135, Great Falls, Montana
(Address) (City) (State)

PAID BY
(For use of Paying Office)

No. and Date of Order	Date of Delivery or Service	ARTICLES OR SERVICES (Enter description, item number of contract or Federal supply schedule, and other information deemed necessary) Discount Terms net	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE Cost	UNIT PRICE Per	AMOUNT Dollars	AMOUNT Cts.
	May 1952	As per attached certified form MF-104 dated June 10th, 1952				2,327	77
PAYMENT: Complete ☐ Partial ☐ Final ☐		Use continuation sheet(s) if necessary					
Shipped from	to	Weight	Government B/L No.		Total	2,327	77

(Payee must NOT use this space)
Differences
Account verified; correct for 2,327 77
(Signature or initials)

Contract No. Idm-E 81 Date Req. No. Date Invoice Rec'd.

2,327.77

MEMORANDUM

ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION (For completion by Administrative Office)

Appropriation, limitation, or project symbol	Appropriation title	Limit'n. or Proj't. Amount	Appropriation Amount
14X4401	Revolving Fund, Defense Production Act, Interior	2,327.77	2,327.77

Allotment symbol	Amount	Obligations liquidated	COST ACCOUNT Symbol	COST ACCOUNT Amount	OBJECTIVE CLASSIFICATION Symbol	OBJECTIVE CLASSIFICATION Amount

Paid by { Check No. ..... dated ....., 19....., for $..... } on Treasurer of the United States in favor of payee named above.
{ Cash, $....., on ....., 19.....

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METHOD OF OR ABSENCE OF ADVERTISING

METHOD OF ADVERTISING

1. Advertising in newspapers Yes ☐ No ☐.
2. (*a*) Advertising by circular letters sent to ..... dealers.
   (*b*) And by notices posted in public places Yes ☐ No ☐.

   (If notices were not posted in addition to advertising by circular letters sent to dealers, explanation of such omission must be made below.).

ABSENCE OF ADVERTISING

3. Without advertising, under an exigency of the service which existed prior to the order and would not admit of the delay incident to advertising.
4. Without advertising in accordance with .....
5. Without advertising, it being impracticable to secure competition because of .....

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(Here state in detail the nature of the exigency or circumstances under which the securing of competition was impracticable under 3 and 4)

NOTE.—The above form "Method of or Absence of Advertising" is to be used when purchases are made or services secured under proper authority without written agreement in any form. In case of a written agreement (formal contract, proposal, and acceptance, or less formal agreement) Standard Form No. 1036—Revised should be used for abstracting the method of or absence of advertising and award of contract. (See General Regulations No. 51, as amended.)

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(August [redacted])

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Approval Expires 6-30-52.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION

Contract No. Idm-E 81

W.G.

Name of Operator BENNETT MINING COMPANY
Docket No. DMA 129X
Total Contract Amount $ 100,000.00
Government Participation: 50% % Amount, $ 50,000.00
Distribution of Expenditures for Month of May 1952
Period 5-4-52 to 5-31-52

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Defense Minerals Administration
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STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MINERAL EXPLORATION PROGRAM
OPERATOR'S MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

Operators are to submit monthly reports to the designated field representative of the Defense Minerals Administration. Reports are to be submitted in quadruplicate prior to the 15th day of the month following the reporting period.

Narrative.—A concise narrative description of progress made, results accomplished, and any unusual difficulties encountered is to be furnished.

Maps.—Wherever possible, the narrative is to be illustrated with maps or sketches showing formations penetrated and location and assays of samples taken as well as advances in workings. In the case of diamond drilling or churn drilling, the location and inclination of holes is to be shown on a map; logs and assays also are to be submitted.

Cost Accounts.—All applicable parts of this form are to be filled in. This report will form the basis for payments of the Government's participating share of expenses. Audits of accounts may be made from time to time.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned company, and the official executing this certification on its behalf, hereby certify that the information contained in this report is correct and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Bennett Mining Company
(Name of Company)

By [signature]
(Signature of Authorized Official)

June 10th, 1952
(Date)

President
(Title)

NOTE.—Title 18, U. S. Code (Crimes), section 1001, makes it a criminal offense to make a willfully false statement or representation to any department or agency of the United States as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

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MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT

List as Shown on Exhibits Attached to Contract

Item	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals to Date	For Government Use Only		
				Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
1. Fixtures and Improvements:						
(a) Facilities						
(b) Buildings						
(c) Fixtures						
2. Operating Equipment:						
(a) Purchased[1]	----	6773.53	6773.53			
(b) Rented[2]	155.00	3951.30	4106.30			
Truck 80.00						
Truck 75.00						
(c) Furnished by operator	300.00	2647.25	2947.25			
Compressor 250.00						
Sinker Drill 20.00						
Stoper 30.00						
3. Rehabilitation and Repairs:						
(a) Facilities						
(b) Buildings						
(c) Installations						

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MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT—Continued

Item	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals to Date	For Government Use Only: Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
(d) Fixtures						
4. Labor[3]	2480.84	21988.76	24469.60			
5. Supervision	700.00	6503.16	7203.16			
6. Supplies						
(a) Timber	0.00	4060.42	4140.42			
(b) Explosives	———	3253.30	3253.30			
(c) Repair Parts	———	142.98	142.98			
(d) Other	291.65	4699.78	5191.43			
7. Power	230.93	2200.95	2439.88			
8. Transportation	125.78	2572.41	2698.19			
9. Insurance						
(a) Fire						
(b) Public Liability						
(c) Workmen's Compensation	89.43	830.85	920.28			
Accident Insurance	151.43	1327.74	1479.17			
10. Contract Work						
11. Other (specify)	62.49	1227.86	1290.35			
Blue Printing 1.05						
Telephone 16.73						
Soc Sec 44.71						
Total	4655.55	62400.29	67055.84			
Deletions						
Adjusted totals						
Totals previously reported	62400.29					
Totals to date	67055.84					

[1] Enter amount paid during month toward total purchase price.
[2] Payments for rental of equipment or prorated depreciation on equipment owned by contractor.
[3] Submit copy of the Social Security form filed under the Old Age Insurance system showing complete wage and salary data or furnish copy of payroll sheet giving same data.

NOTE.—Indicate that portion of supervisory, office, and engineering salaries that is chargeable to this project.

FOR GOVERNMENT USE ONLY

Checked by W. R. Lee
Entered by
Approved by Eric H. Erickson
Amount approved for payment $2327.77
Remarks

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EXPLORATION UNIT COST AND PROGRESS REPORT FOR MONTH OF May 1952

(Supply Data Below Applicable Only to Your Operations) Period 5-4-52 to 5-31-52

Item	Costs					Progress [4]				
	Wages [1] and salaries	Equipment [2]	Supplies	Other [3]	Total	Unit	Units this month	Units previously reported	Units to date	Units authorized by contract (Exhibit A)
Drifting	1076.16	143.00	110.25	209.96	1539.37	foot	49	352.5	401.5	1500
Crosscutting										
Raising										
Shafts										
Winzes	2104.68	312.00	241.40	459.10	3117.18	foot	8	113	121	250
Drill holes										
Overburden										
Rehabilitation and preparation										
Geology and geophysics										
Trenching										
Sampling and assaying										
Roads and trails										
Test pits										
Other (specify)										
Totals	3180.84	455.00	351.65	668.06	4655.55					

[1] Prorate supervisory, engineering, and office salaries in proportion to man-shifts of direct labor.
[2] Prorate charges for equipment that is not exclusively for one type of job (such as compressors) against authorized units of work in each category.
[3] Where entries in the "Other" column (above) are more than 25 percent of the total expenditures, a breakdown of this item should be made.
[4] Specify whether feet, cubic feet, acres, miles, etc.

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E-81 May '52

During the month of May, during the drilling cont ued, little very little progress was made. An advance of [illegible] feet for a total depth of 121.0 feet below the well casing was accomplished. The first three days of the month only one of 12h, of 8 hours, was dry and available. All they which b one of which was dry 24". Shot on one hole had not from May 19 thru 31st two shifts per day, of two men each, [illegible], at which time this was quite pleasure of the not confident of [illegible] on the bottom.

The new formations were once entered in the advance made, with corresponding time which is locally termed Slate Diorite. Thirteen several [illegible] chippers of [illegible] lost and also [illegible], from one to three inches [illegible], were cut and were still present on one end and one side of the [illegible] at the end of the month.

Drilling was resumed thru out the period including one hole [illegible] dry and an advance of 1[illegible].0 feet was made. Drill conditions have generally improved altho no one of a commercial nature was encountered. The formation, i.e. Slate Diorite, has been the same as the previous [illegible] "moderate".

Electric service was lost by Montana Power Company [illegible] to a severe electrical storm, which also burned out the starting compensator on the compressor motor. Resumption of electric service [illegible] the compensator permitted resumption of work again the morning of May 24th after a loss of 5 shifts operation.

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Budget Bureau No. 42-R1036.2.
Approval Expires 6-30-52.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION

Contract No. [illegible]
Idm-E

Name of Operator Bennett Mining Company
Docket No. DMA 1291
Total Contract Amount $ 100,000.00
Government Participation: 50% Amount, $ 50,000.00
Distribution of Expenditures for Month of April 1952 Period 3/23 to 5/3/52

STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MINERAL EXPLORATION PROGRAM
OPERATOR'S MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

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Narrative.—A concise narrative description of progress made, results accomplished, and any unusual difficulties encountered is to be furnished.

Maps.—Wherever possible, the narrative is to be illustrated with maps or sketches showing formations penetrated and location and assays of samples taken as well as advances in workings. In the case of diamond drilling or churn drilling, the location and inclination of holes is to be shown on a map; logs and assays also are to be submitted.

Cost Accounts.—All applicable parts of this form are to be filled in. This report will form the basis for payments of the Government's participating share of expenses. Audits of accounts may be made from time to time.

Defense Minerals Administration
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CERTIFICATION

The undersigned company, and the official executing this certification on its behalf, hereby certify that the information contained in this report is correct and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Bennett Mining Company
(Name of Company)

By [signature]
(Signature of Authorized Official)

May 20th, 1952
(Date)

President
(Title)

NOTE.—Title 18, U. S. Code (Crimes), section 1001, makes it a criminal offense to make a willfully false statement or representation to any department or agency of the United States as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

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MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT

List as Shown on Exhibits Attached to Contract

Item	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals to Date	For Government Use Only		
				Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
1. Fixtures and Improvements:						
(a) Facilities						
(b) Buildings						
(c) Fixtures						
2. Operating Equipment:						
(a) Purchased[1]	380.00	6393.53	6773.53			
Sump Pump $305.00						
Mine Skip 75.00						
(b) Rented[2]	155.00	3796.30	3951.30			
Truck $80.00						
Truck $75.00						
(c) Furnished by operator	300.00	2347.25	2647.25			
Compressor $250.00						
Sinker Drill 20.00						
Stoper 30.00						
3. Rehabilitation and Repairs:						
(a) Facilities						
(b) Buildings						
(c) Installations						

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MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT—Continued

Item	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals to Date	For Government Use Only: Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
(d) Fixtures						
4. Labor[3]	5206.59	16782.17	21988.76			
5. Supervision	700.00	5803.16	6503.16			
6. Supplies						
(a) Timber	570.50	3509.92	4080.42			
(b) Explosives		3253.30	3253.30			
(c) Repair Parts		142.98	142.98			
(d) Other	479.15	4420.63	4899.78			
7. Power	294.93	1906.02	2200.95			
8. Transportation	248.17	2324.24	2572.41			
9. Insurance						
(a) Fire						
(b) Public Liability						
(c) Workmen's Compensation	171.20	659.65	830.85			
Acc Ins	291.99	1035.75	1327.74			
10. Contract Work						
11. Other (specify)	158.46	1069.40	1227.86			
Mine Inspection 5.00						
Travel Exp 22.21						
Assaying 12.15						
Telephone 33.50						
Soc Sec 85.60						
Total	8955.99	53444.30	62400.29			
Deletions						
Adjusted totals						
Totals previously reported						
Totals to date						

[1] Enter amount paid during month toward total purchase price.
[2] Payments for rental of equipment or prorated depreciation on equipment owned by contractor.
[3] Submit copy of the Social Security form filed under the Old Age Insurance system showing complete wage and salary data or furnish copy of payroll sheet giving same data.

NOTE.—Indicate that portion of supervisory, office, and engineering salaries that is chargeable to this project.

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Checked by W R Lee
Entered by
Approved by Eric G. Erickson
Amount approved for payment $4478.00
Remarks

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EXPLORATION UNIT COST AND PROGRESS REPORT FOR MONTH OF April 1952

(Supply Data Below Applicable Only to Your Operations)

Period 3/23 to 5/3/52

Item	Costs					Progress [4]				
	Wages [1] and salaries	Equipment [2]	Supplies	Other [3]	Total	Unit	Units this month	Units previously reported	Units to date	Units authorized by contract (Exhibit A)
Drifting	1493.35	125.00	93.96	320.25	2032.56	feet	34	318.5	352.5	1500
Crosscutting										
Raising										
Shafts										
Winzes	4413.24	710.00	956.60	944.60	6023.43	feet	41	72	113	250
Drill holes										
Overburden										
Rehabilitation and preparation										
Geology and geophysics										
Trenching										
Sampling and assaying										
Roads and trails										
Test pits										
Other (specify)										
Totals	5906.59	835.00	1049.65	1164.75	8955.99					

[1] Prorate supervisory, engineering, and office salaries in proportion to man-shifts of direct labor.
[2] Prorate charges for equipment that is not exclusively for one type of job (such as compressors) against authorized units of work in each category.
[3] Where entries in the "Other" column (above) are more than 25 percent of the total expenditures, a breakdown of this item should be made.
[4] Specify whether feet, cubic feet, acres, miles, etc.

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During April work continued by sinking the shaft an advance of 11 feet was made for a total depth of 113 feet. Much trouble was experienced in the lower fourteen with the consequent delays involved in breaking in timber to and an occasional log between the two shafts. The last four working days in April, only an hour per day was worked in the shaft due to lack of water.

Drifting on the vein on the 100 level also was continued during the month of April. Due this work was commenced the start of the month which so taking the over a month due to lack of water, the face had caved. Drifting was started in an attempt to catch this cave before it was decided to go around it in the hanging wall of the vein. By the end of the month the face of the cave had been made.

MF-104
(August 1951)

Budget Bureau No. 42-R1036.2.
Approval Expires 6-30-52.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION

Contract No. Idm-E 81

Name of Operator Bennett Mining Company
Docket No. DMA 129X
Total Contract Amount $ 50,000.00
Government Participation: 50% Amount $ 50,000.00
Distribution of Expenditures for Month of March 1952
Period 2/23 to 3/22/52

STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MINERAL EXPLORATION PROGRAM
OPERATOR'S MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

Operators are to submit monthly reports to the designated field representative of the Defense Minerals Administration. Reports are to be submitted in quadruplicate prior to the 15th day of the month following the reporting period.

Narrative.—A concise narrative description of progress made, results accomplished, and any unusual difficulties encountered is to be furnished.

Maps.—Wherever possible, the narrative is to be illustrated with maps or sketches showing formations penetrated and location and assays of samples taken as well as advances in workings. In the case of diamond drilling or churn drilling, the location and inclination of holes is to be shown on a map; logs and assays also are to be submitted.

Cost Accounts.—All applicable parts of this form are to be filled in. This report will form the basis for payments of the Government's participating share of expenses. Audits of accounts may be made from time to time.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned company, and the official executing this certification on its behalf, hereby certify that the information contained in this report is correct and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief.

BENNETT MINING COMPANY
(Name of Company)

By Lawrence G. Bennett
(Signature of Authorized Official)

May 16, 1952
(Date)

President
(Title)

NOTE.—Title 18, U. S. Code (Crimes), section 1001, makes it a criminal offense to make a willfully false statement or representation to any department or agency of the United States as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

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MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT

List as Shown on Exhibits Attached to Contract

Item	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals to Date	For Government Use Only		
				Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
1. Fixtures and Improvements:						
(a) Facilities						
(b) Buildings						
(c) Fixtures						
2. Operating Equipment:						
(a) Purchased[1]	420.65	5972.88	6393.53			
Mine Skip 65.00						
Air Mover 55.65						
Air Hoist 300.00						
(b) Rented[2]	658.00	3138.30	3796.30			
Truck $80. Truck $75.						
Dozer & Blade $503.						
(c) Furnished by operator	270.00	2077.25	2347.25			
Compressor $250.00						
Sinker Drill 20.00						
3. Rehabilitation and Repairs:						
(a) Facilities						
(b) Buildings						
(c) Installations						

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MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT—Continued

Item	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals to Date	For Government Use Only: Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
(d) Fixtures						
4. Labor[3]	3102.60	13679.57	16782.17			
5. Supervision	700.00	5103.16	5803.16			
6. Supplies						
(a) Timber	115.00	3394.92	3509.92			
(b) Explosives	1284.00	1969.30	3253.30			
(c) Repair Parts		142.98	142.98			
(d) Other	74.47	4346.16	4420.63			
7. Power	274.93	1631.09	1906.02			
8. Transportation	271.59	2052.65	2324.24			
9. Insurance						
(a) Fire						
(b) Public Liability						
(c) Workmen's Compensation	108.07	551.58	659.65			
Acc Ins	187.11	848.64	1035.75			
10. Contract Work						
11. Other (specify)	116.74	952.66	1069.40			
Tel & Tel 57.93						
B/Printing 1.75						
Stamps 3.00						
Soc Sec 54.06						
Total	7583.16	45861.14	53444.30			
Deletions						
Adjusted totals						
Totals previously reported	✓	✓	✓			
Totals to date						

[1] Enter amount paid during month toward total purchase price.
[2] Payments for rental of equipment or prorated depreciation on equipment owned by contractor.
[3] Submit copy of the Social Security form filed under the Old Age Insurance system showing complete wage and salary data or furnish copy of payroll sheet giving same data.

NOTE.—Indicate that portion of supervisory, office, and engineering salaries that is chargeable to this project.

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Checked by W H Lee
Entered by
Approved by Eric G. Erickson
Amount approved for payment $3791.58
Remarks

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EXPLORATION UNIT COST AND PROGRESS REPORT FOR MONTH OF March 1952

(Supply Data Below Applicable Only to Your Operations) Period 2/24 - 3/22/52

Item	Costs					Progress [4]				
	Wages [1] and salaries	Equipment [2]	Supplies	Other [3]	Total	Unit	Units this month	Units previously reported	Units to date	Units authorized by contract (Exhibit A)
Drifting						foot	---	318.5	318.5	1500
Crosscutting										
Raising										
Shafts										
Winzes	3737.05	928.00	1451.67	732.66	6849.38	foot	38	34	72	250
Drill holes										
Overburden										
Rehabilitation and preparation						$6849.38 is true total for month of				
Geology and geophysics						March exclusive of deletions for				
Trenching						January and February, which are				
Sampling and assaying						included in figures for March invoice				
Roads and trails						These deletions for January and				
Test pits						February have previosuly been inclu-				
Other (specify)						ded in January and February distribu-				
						tions of exploration unit cost				
Totals	3737.05	928.00	1451.67	732.66	6849.38					

[1] Prorate supervisory, engineering, and office salaries in proportion to man-shifts of direct labor.
[2] Prorate charges for equipment that is not exclusively for one type of job (such as compressors) against authorized units of work in each category.
[3] Where entries in the "Other" column (above) are more than 25 percent of the total expenditures, a breakdown of this item should be made.
[4] Specify whether feet, cubic feet, acres, miles, etc.

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The sinking of the winze was prosecuted on a two-shift basis throughout the month and an additional depth of 3[illegible] feet was gained for a total depth below collar of 7[illegible].0 feet.

At a point 3[illegible] feet below the collar, the winze penetrated the [illegible] vein where additional timber was encountered as well as sloughing of the walls, resulting in the hoisting of additional muck for each foot of advance. Due to the difficulty of maintaining the standard rock section in the shattered, broken ground in and near the vein, the interval between sets was cut from the standard of 5'4" to 3.[illegible] to minimize as much as possible the sloughing of the walls and the hoisting of extra material.

At a depth of 5[illegible].0 feet the winze had completely penetrated the vein. At the point where the winze passed thru the vein no commercial ore was found as only an at sulphide mineralization was encountered. Assays over a width of 15 inches showed a silver content of 0.9 ounces per ton, 0.[illegible] lead and 0.7[illegible] zinc. There was no change of formation encountered as the work progressed through [illegible] chlorite porphyry that comprised the walls when sinking commenced.

No progress was made in advancing the face of the [illegible] drift on the [illegible] vein during the month due to lack of available labor and, for this reason, no sketch map showing progress has been included. During the last half of the month competition was felt for the available labor employed from contractors who began to get their operations under way and could pay higher wages for out side work. This resulted in the loss of the sinking crew on one shift as the period closed. Some of the crew used on this sinking project so far have had prior experience in this type of work.

MF-1
(August 1951)

Budget Bureau No. 42-R1036.2.
Approval Expires 6-30-52.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION

Contract No. Idm-E 261

Name of Operator Bennett Mining Company
Docket No. DMA 129 X
Total Contract Amount $ 10,000.00
Government Participation: 50% % Amount, $ 50,000.00
Distribution of Expenditures for Month of February (Period 1/27/52 - 2/23/52)

STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MINERAL EXPLORATION PROGRAM
OPERATOR'S MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

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Cost Accounts.—All applicable parts of this form are to be filled in. This report will form the basis for payments of the Government's participating share of expenses. Audits of accounts may be made from time to time.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Defense Minerals Administration
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CERTIFICATION

The undersigned company, and the official executing this certification on its behalf, hereby certify that the information contained in this report is correct and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Bennett Mining Company
(Name of Company)

By Carroll R. Bennett
(Signature of Authorized Official)

March 11th, 1952
(Date)

President
(Title)

NOTE.—Title 18, U. S. Code (Crimes), section 1001, makes it a criminal offense to make a willfully false statement or representation to any department or agency of the United States as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

16—64068-3

MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT

List as Shown on Exhibits Attached to Contract

Item	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals to Date	For Government Use Only		
				Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
1. Fixtures and Improvements:						
(a) Facilities						
(b) Buildings						
(c) Fixtures						
2. Operating Equipment:						
(a) Purchased[1]	325.70	5968.[illegible]	6278.[illegible]			
(b) Rented[2]	65.00	280.30	345.30			
(c) Furnished by operator	2[illegible].00	2[illegible].25	2[illegible].25			
3. Rehabilitation and Repairs:						
(a) Facilities						
(b) Buildings						
(c) Installations						

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MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT—Continued

Item	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals to Date	For Government Use Only: Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
(d) Fixtures						
4. Labor [3]	8950.75	4161.37	13775.12			
5. Supervision	[illegible]	5103.16	5103.16			
6. Supplies	906.19	2443.43	3349.92			
(a) Timber		1969.30	1969.30			
(b) Explosives		142.90	142.90			
(c) Repair Parts	734.74	3795.07	4529.81			
(d) Other	275.37	1356.72	1631.09			
7. Power	177.95	2052.65	2230.60			
8. Transportation						
9. Insurance						
(a) Fire						
(b) Public Liability	102.92	450.62	553.54			
(c) Workmen's Compensation	277.42	674.70	952.12			
10. Contract Work	95.72	900.33	995.05			
11. Other (specify) Rent 52.16						
Telephone 42.13						
Advertising 3.65						
Total	7344.36	32254.56	16594.92			
Deletions						
Adjusted totals	39250.56					
Totals previously reported	16594.92					
Totals to date						

[1] Enter amount paid during month toward total purchase price.
[2] Payments for rental of equipment or prorated depreciation on equipment owned by contractor.
[3] Submit copy of the Social Security form filed under the Old Age Insurance system showing complete wage and salary data or furnish copy of payroll sheet giving same data.

NOTE.—Indicate that portion of supervisory, office, and engineering salaries that is chargeable to this project.

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Entered by
Approved by Eric G. Erickson
Amount approved for payment
Remarks

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EXPLORATION UNIT COST AND PROGRESS REPORT FOR MONTH OF February 1952

(Period 1/27/52 to 2/23/52)

(Supply Data Below Applicable Only to Your Operations)

Item	Costs					Progress [4]				
	Wages [1] and salaries	Equipment [2]	Supplies	Other [3]	Total	Unit	Units this month	Units previously reported	Units to date	Units authorized by contract (Exhibit A)
Drifting	801.13	222.50	97.00	197.00	1317.63	foot	20.0	298.5	318.5	1500
Crosscutting										
Raising										
Shafts										
Winzes	2829.62	1020.50	1542.23	634.38	6026.73	foot	34.0	--	34.0	250
Drill holes										
Overburden										
Rehabilitation and preparation										
Geology and geophysics										
Trenching										
Sampling and assaying										
Roads and trails										
Test pits										
Other (specify)										
Totals	3630.75	1243.00	1639.23	831.38	7344.36					

[1] Prorate supervisory, engineering, and office salaries in proportion to man-shifts of direct labor.
[2] Prorate charges for equipment that is not exclusively for one type of job (such as compressors) against authorized units of work in each category.
[3] Where entries in the "Other" column (above) are more than 25 percent of the total expenditures, a breakdown of this item should be made.
[4] Specify whether feet, cubic feet, acres, miles, etc.

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During the month of February work progressed on the sinking program on a two-shift basis. Very little work was done in advancing the drift on the 400 level due to lack of manpower; altho toward the latter part of the month, as manpower was available, this work was advanced 20 feet on a single shift basis.

By February 1, the enlarging for necessary room around the dinze collar was substantially complete. The first week of February was spent setting bearing timber, collar set, stationset and cap set, as well as placing the small air hoist and rigging a bucket dump. These items were completed by February 9, by which time a depth of [illegible] feet had been gained.

The next blast, being carelessly made due to lack of supervision, stripped most of the timber out and replacement required until about February 12. From this date work progressed fairly smoothly until the end of the month, at which time a total depth of 34 feet had been attained.

MF-104
(August 1951)

Budget Bureau No. 42-R1036.2.
Approval Expires 6-30-52.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION

Contract No. 61
Idm-E

Name of Operator Dennott Mining Company
Docket No. DMA 129X
Total Contract Amount $ 10,000.00
Government Participation: 50% Amount $ 5,000.00
Distribution of Expenditures for Month of January, 1952
Period 12-30-51 to 1-31-52

DEPARTMENT OF
Defense Minerals
MAR 21 1952

STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MINERAL EXPLORATION PROGRAM
OPERATOR'S MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

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Maps.—Wherever possible, the narrative is to be illustrated with maps or sketches showing formations penetrated and location and assays of samples taken as well as advances in workings. In the case of diamond drilling or churn drilling, the location and inclination of holes is to be shown on a map; logs and assays also are to be submitted.

Cost Accounts.—All applicable parts of this form are to be filled in. This report will form the basis for payments of the Government's participating share of expenses. Audits of accounts may be made from time to time.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned company, and the official executing this certification on its behalf, hereby certify that the information contained in this report is correct and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Dennott Mining Company
(Name of Company)

By Carroll P. Bennett
(Signature of Authorized Official)

February 15th, 1952
(Date)

President
(Title)

U. S. Code (Crimes), section 1001, makes it a criminal offense to make a willfully false statement or representation to any department or agency of any matter within its jurisdiction.

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MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT

List as Shown on Exhibits Attached to Contract

Item	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals to Date	For Government Use Only: Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
1. Fixtures and Improvements:						
(a) Facilities						
(b) Buildings						
(c) Fixtures						
2. Operating Equipment:						
(a) Purchased[1]	665.00	5302.88	5967.88			
(b) Rented[2]	658.00	1822.30	2480.30 *			
Truck $80. Truck $75.00						
Dozer & Blade 503.00						
(c) Furnished by operator	280.00	1517.25	1797.25			
Compressor $250.00						
Stoper (1) 30.00						
3. Rehabilitation and Repairs:						
(a) Facilities						
(b) Buildings						
(c) Installations						

* These figures were formerly included under the item "furnished by Operator"; we have made a segregation of the rental items on this report - those items rented and those furnished by operator.

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MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT—Continued

Item	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals to Date	For Government Use Only: Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
(d) Fixtures						
4. Labor[3]	2074.38	8739.99	10814.37			
5. Supervision	700.00	3703.16	4403.16			
6. Supplies						
(a) Timber	1238.37	1250.06	2488.43			
(b) Explosives	334.85	1634.45	1969.30			
(c) Repair Parts		142.98	142.98			
(d) Other	924.75	2831.12	3755.87			
7. Power	265.36	1089.36	1354.72			
8. Transportation	243.32	1809.33	2052.65	1860.79		
9. Insurance						
(a) Fire						
(b) Public Liability						
(c) Workmen's Compensation	77.23	373.39	450.62			
Accident Ins	126.74	547.96	674.70			
10. Contract Work						
11. Other (specify)	92.18	806.15	898.33			
Soc Sec 38.61						
Telephone 25.98						
Travel 18.59						
Assaying 9.00						
Total	7680.18	31570.38	39250.56			
Deletions						
Adjusted totals						
Totals previously reported	31570.38					
Totals to date	39250.56					

[1] Enter amount paid during month toward total purchase price.
[2] Payments for rental of equipment or prorated depreciation on equipment owned by contractor.
[3] Submit copy of the Social Security form filed under the Old Age Insurance system showing complete wage and salary data or furnish copy of payroll sheet giving same data.

NOTE.—Indicate that portion of supervisory, office, and engineering salaries that is chargeable to this project.

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Entered by
Approved by Eric G. Erickson
Amount approved for payment
Remarks

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EXPLORATION UNIT COST AND PROGRESS REPORT FOR MONTH OF January 1952

(Supply Data Below Applicable Only to Your Operations)

Item	Costs					Progress [4]				
	Wages [1] and salaries	Equipment [2]	Supplies	Other [3]	Total	Unit	Units this month	Units previously reported	Units to date	Units authorized by contract (Exhibit A)
Drifting	693.60	234.50	232.58	201.21	1561.89	foot	15	283.5	298.5	1500
Crosscutting	693.59	234.50	232.59	201.20	1561.88	foot	54 1/2			
Raising										
Shafts										
Winzes		665.00	1567.63		2232.63	foot				250
Drill holes										
Overburden										
Rehabilitation and preparation										
Geology and geophysics										
Trenching										
Sampling and assaying										
Roads and trails										
Test pits										
Other (specify) Enlarging for winze station	1567.19	469.00	465.17	402.42	2723.78	cu foot	5700	--	5700	
Totals	2774.38	1603.00	2497.97	804.83	7680.18					

[1] Prorate supervisory, engineering, and office salaries in proportion to man-shifts of direct labor.
[2] Prorate charges for equipment that is not exclusively for one type of job (such as compressors) against authorized units of work in each category.
[3] Where entries in the "Other" column (above) are more than 25 percent of the total expenditures, a breakdown of this item should be made.
[4] Specify whether feet, cubic feet, acres, miles, etc.

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Enlarging was result of excavation in the 5' x 7' hanging wall Crosscut to make room around the collar of the proposed winze and also to gain the necessary headroom for the sinking operations.

I-dm-E-81

During the month of January preparations were commenced to start sinking the winze contemplated under Contract No. Idm-E #81. For this purpose a 5' x 7' crosscut was driven 54.5 feet in the hanging wall of the Dacotah vein on the #400 level at a point approximately 230 feet beyond the point drifting operations commenced under the above mentioned contract.

Concurrent with this work the drift along the Dacotah vein was advanced 15 feet. This work was performed prior to January 21, on which date work was started to enlarge the crosscut in the hanging wall to gain the necessary room for the contemplated sinking operations. This involved the excavation of 3700 cubic feet of material and was completed by January 31.

Budget Bureau No. 42-R1036.2.
Approval Expires 6-30-52.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION

Contract No. Idm-E 81

Name of Operator Bennett Mining Company
Docket No. DMA #129X
Total Contract Amount $ 100,000.00
Government Participation: 50% % Amount, $ 50,000.00
Distribution of Expenditures for Month of December 1951
12-2-51 to 12-29-51

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STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MINERAL EXPLORATION PROGRAM
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CERTIFICATION

The undersigned company, and the official executing this certification on its behalf, hereby certify that the information contained in this report is correct and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief.

BENNETT MINING COMPANY
(Name of Company)

By Carroll R. Bennett
(Signature of Authorized Official)

January 21, 1952
(Date)

President
(Title)

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MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT

List as Shown on Exhibits Attached to Contract

Item	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals to Date	For Government Use Only		
				Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
1. Fixtures and Improvements:						
(a) Facilities						
(b) Buildings						
(c) Fixtures						
2. Operating Equipment:						
(a) Purchased[1]	---	5302.88	5302.88			
(b) Rented[2]						
(c) Furnished by operator	938.00	2401.55	3339.55			
Truck $80. Truck $75.						
Compressor 250.						
Stoper (1) 30.00						
Dozer & Blade 503.00						
3. Rehabilitation and Repairs:						
(a) Facilities						
(b) Buildings						
(c) Installations						

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MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT—Continued

Item	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals to Date	For Government Use Only: Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
(d) Fixtures						
4. Labor[3]	1041.71	7698.28	8739.99			
5. Supervision	700.00	3003.16	3703.16			
6. Supplies						
(a) Timber	50.00	1200.06	1250.06			
(b) Explosives	----	1634.45	1634.45			
(c) Repair Parts	----	142.98	142.98			
(d) Other	316.37	2851.25	3167.62			
7. Power	221.35	868.01	1089.36			
8. Transportation	279.64	1571.15	1850.79			
9. Insurance						
(a) Fire						
(b) Public Liability						
(c) Workmen's Compensation	52.25	321.14	373.39			
Accident Insurance	78.70	469.26	547.96			
10. Contract Work						
11. Other (specify)	61.03	745.12	806.15			
B/Prints 1.75						
Assaying 29.28						
Telephone 3.87						
Soc Sec 26.13						
Total	3739.05	28209.29	31948.34			
Deletions	336.50		336.50			
Adjusted totals	3402.55	28209.29	31611.84			
Totals previously reported	28209.29					
Totals to date	31611.84					

[1] Enter amount paid during month toward total purchase price.
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[3] Submit copy of the Social Security form filed under the Old Age Insurance system showing complete wage and salary data or furnish copy of payroll sheet giving same data.

NOTE.—Indicate that portion of supervisory, office, and engineering salaries that is chargeable to this project.

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Entered by
Approved by Eric G. Erickson
Amount approved for payment
Remarks

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EXPLORATION UNIT COST AND PROGRESS REPORT FOR MONTH OF December 1951

(Supply Data Below Applicable Only to Your Operations)

Item	Costs					Progress [4]				
	Wages [1] and salaries	Equipment [2]	Supplies	Other [3]	Total	Unit	Units this month	Units previously reported	Units to date	Units authorized by contract (Exhibit A)
Drifting	1741.71	938.00	366.37	692.97	3402.55	foot	54	229.5	283.5	1500
Crosscutting			386.50							
Raising										
Shafts										
Winzes										
Drill holes										
Overburden										
Rehabilitation and preparation										
Geology and geophysics										
Trenching										
Sampling and assaying										
Roads and trails										
Test pits										
Other (specify)										
Totals	1741.71	938.00	29.87	692.97	3402.55					

[1] Prorate supervisory, engineering, and office salaries in proportion to man-shifts of direct labor.
[2] Prorate charges for equipment that is not exclusively for one type of job (such as compressors) against authorized units of work in each category.
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[4] Specify whether feet, cubic feet, acres, miles, etc.

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During the month of December E/1 continued progress [illegible] along the North vein on the [illegible] level and [illegible] feet of advance [illegible]. No ore of a commercial nature was disclosed although the vein [illegible] this distance was continuously [illegible] mineralized [illegible].

A change in the character of the wall rock was noted [illegible] feet of advance. [illegible], while [illegible] vein [illegible] to this point, [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] progress was slow [illegible] the difficult ground [illegible] the excavation of [illegible] advance. [illegible].

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Budget Bureau No. 42-R1036.2.
Approval Expires 6-30-52.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION

Contract No.
Idm-E 02

Name of Operator Bennett Mining Company
Docket No. DMA [illegible]
Total Contract Amount $ [illegible],000.00
Government Participation: 50% Amount, $ [illegible],000.00
Distribution of Expenditures for Month of November, 1951

STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MINERAL EXPLORATION PROGRAM
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CERTIFICATION

The undersigned company, and the official executing this certification on its behalf, hereby certify that the information contained in this report is correct and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Bennett Mining Company
(Name of Company)

By Carroll P. Bennett
(Signature of Authorized Official)

December 14, 1951
(Date)

President
(Title)

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MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT

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1. Fixtures and Improvements:						
(a) Facilities						
(b) Buildings						
(c) Fixtures						
2. Operating Equipment:						
(a) Purchased[1]			5302.88			
(b) Rented[2]						
(c) Furnished by operator	938.00	1488.55	2426.55			
Truck CO. Truck 75.						
Compressor 250.00						
Stoper (1) 30.00						
Dozer & Blade 503.00						
3. Rehabilitation and Repairs:						
(a) Facilities						
(b) Buildings						
(c) Installations						

MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT—Continued

Item	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals to Date	For Government Use Only: Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
(d) Fixtures						
4. Labor[3]	1165.08	6533.20	7698.28			
5. Supervision	700.00	2303.16	3003.16			
6. Supplies						
(a) Timber	507.75	692.31	1200.06			
(b) Explosives		1634.45	1634.45			
(c) Repair Parts		142.98	142.98			
(d) Other	71.34	2779.91	2851.25			
7. Power	237.22	630.79	868.01			
8. Transportation	177.72	1393.43	1571.15			
9. Insurance						
(a) Fire						
(b) Public Liability						
(c) Workmen's Compensation Accident Insurance	55.95	265.19	321.14			
	84.26	385.00	469.26			
10. Contract Work						
11. Other (specify)	66.37	678.75	745.12			
Blue Prints 1.75						
Assaying 33.33						
Telephone 3.32						
Loc Sec 27.97						
Total	4003.69	24230.60	28234.29			
Deletions						
Adjusted totals		[illegible]	[illegible]			
Totals previously reported	~~24230.60~~	[illegible]				
Totals to date	28234.29		[illegible]			

[1] Enter amount paid during month toward total purchase price.
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[3] Submit copy of the Social Security form filed under the Old Age Insurance system showing complete wage and salary data or furnish copy of payroll sheet giving same data.

NOTE.—Indicate that portion of supervisory, office, and engineering salaries that is chargeable to this project.

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Entered by
Approved by Eric G. Erickson
Amount approved for payment
Remarks

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EXPLORATION UNIT COST AND PROGRESS REPORT FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1951

(Supply Data Below Applicable Only to Your Operations)

Item	Costs					Progress [4]				
	Wages [1] and salaries	Equipment [2]	Supplies	Other [3]	Total	Unit	Units this month	Units previously reported	Units to date	Units authorized by contract (Exhibit A)
Drifting	783.50	384.00	----	360.52	1528.02	foot	31	198.5	229.5	1500
Crosscutting	1081.58	554.00	579.09	261.00	2475.67	foot	43	--	43	25 *
Raising										
Shafts										
Winzes										
Drill holes										
Overburden										
Rehabilitation and preparation										
Geology and geophysics										
Trenching										
Sampling and assaying										
Roads and trails										
Test pits										
Other (specify)										
Totals	1865.08	938.00	579.09	621.52	4003.69					

[1] Prorate supervisory, engineering, and office salaries in proportion to man-shifts of direct labor.
[2] Prorate charges for equipment that is not exclusively for one type of job (such as compressors) against authorized units of work in each category.
[3] Where entries in the "Other" column (above) are more than 25 percent of the total expenditures, a breakdown of this item should be made.
[4] Specify whether feet, cubic feet, acres, miles, etc.

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* An amendment to contract still under negotiation

		Rate per Hour	Total Hours Worked	O'time Hours Worked	Regular Wages Earned	Total Wages Earned
John Dew	Compressorman	1.41	184	12	259.44	276.36
Tim Leary	Miner	1.38	136	8	187.68	198.72
McMillan, Vernon	Miner	1.38	96	8	132.48	143.52
McMillan, Frank	Miner	1.38	184	12	253.92	270.48
Uno J. Ranta	Miner	1.38	128	8	176.64	187.68
Charles Bissell	Trucker	1.38	64	--	88.32	88.32
W. F. Criswell	Superintendent					
Monthly rate of $500.00					500.00	500.00
F. A. Clarke	Bookkeeper					
Monthly rate of $200.00						200.00
					$1598.48	$1865.08

Social Security Tax - B M Co on $1865.08 - 1 1/2 % $ 27.97

Unemployment Compensation Tax
Federal & State 3% of $1865.08 55.95

Accident Insurance (Estimated) on $1598.48 24.26

During the month of November, 1951, continued progress was made in drifting on the Dacotah vein on the #400 level. In the course of this work no change in geologic conditions was encountered nor did the difficult ground conditions improve.

At a point 23 feet behind the face of the drift a short c ross cut was run into the footwall for a right angle distance of 38 feet from the Dacotah vein. The total excavated distance (footage of track laid) including switch and turn amounted to 43 feet. This work was done at the insistence of the geologic representatives of the D.M.A. field team and concurred in by Mr. Erickson, to check the possibility of ore occurence in the footwall.

Progress during the month was hampered by sickness and lay-offs among the limited crew available and by the difficult g round conditions encountered indrifting on the vein.

Standard Form No. 1034a—Revised
Form prescribed by
Comptroller General, U. S.
September 7, 1950
(Gen. Reg. No. 51, Supp. No. 11)

PUBLIC VOUCHER FOR PURCHASES AND SERVICES OTHER THAN PERSONAL

D. O. Vou. No. .....

Bu. Vou. No. .....

U. S. [illegible] (Department, bureau, or establishment)

Voucher prepared at [illegible] (Give place and date) [illegible]

THE UNITED STATES, Dr., Payee's Account No. [illegible]

To [illegible] (Payee)

[illegible] (Address) [illegible] (City) [illegible] (State)

PAID BY

(For use of Paying Office)

No. and Date of Order	Date of Delivery or Service	ARTICLES OR SERVICES (Enter description, item number of contract or Federal supply schedule, and other information deemed necessary) Discount Terms	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE Cost	UNIT PRICE Per	AMOUNT Dollars	AMOUNT Cts.
	October 1951	[illegible] attached certificate [illegible] dated November [illegible], 1951				[illegible]	71
PAYMENT: Complete ☐ Partial ☐ Final ☐		Use continuation sheet(s) if necessary					

Shipped from to Weight Government B/L No. Total

(Payee must NOT use this space) [illegible] 71

Differences .....

Account verified; correct for .....

(Signature or initials) [illegible] 71

Contract No. [illegible] Date [illegible] Req. No. Date Invoice Rec'd.

[illegible] 71

MEMORANDUM

ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION (For completion by Administrative Office)

Appropriation, limitation, or project symbol	Appropriation title	Limit'n. or Proj't. Amount	Appropriation Amount
[illegible]	[illegible] Inspector	[illegible]	[illegible]

Allotment symbol	Amount	Obligations liquidated	COST ACCOUNT Symbol	COST ACCOUNT Amount	OBJECTIVE CLASSIFICATION Symbol	OBJECTIVE CLASSIFICATION Amount

Paid by { Check No. ..... dated ....., 19....., for $..... } on Treasurer of the United States in favor of payee named above.
{ Cash, $....., on ....., 19.....

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METHOD OF OR ABSENCE OF ADVERTISING

METHOD OF ADVERTISING

1. Advertising in newspapers Yes ☐ No ☐.
2. (*a*) Advertising by circular letters sent to ..... dealers.
   (*b*) And by notices posted in public places Yes ☐ No ☐.

   (If notices were not posted in addition to advertising by circular letters sent to dealers, explanation of such omission must be made below.)

ABSENCE OF ADVERTISING

3. Without advertising, under an exigency of the service which existed prior to the order and would not admit of the delay incident to advertising.
4. Without advertising in accordance with .....
5. Without advertising, it being impracticable to secure competition because of .....

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(Here state in detail the nature of the exigency or circumstances under which the securing of competition was impracticable under 3 and 4)

NOTE.—The above form "Method of or Absence of Advertising" is to be used when purchases are made or services secured under proper authority without written agreement in any form. In case of a written agreement (formal contract, proposal, and acceptance, or less formal agreement) Standard Form No. 1036—Revised should be used for abstracting the method of or absence of advertising and award of contract. (See General Regulations No. 51, as amended.)

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION

Contract No. 81
Idm-E

Name of Operator Bennett Mining Company
Docket No. DMA 129X
Total Contract Amount $ 100,000.00
Government Participation: 50 % Amount, $ 50,000
Distribution of Expenditures for Month of October, 1951

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Bennett Mining Company
(Name of Company)

By Carroll R. Bennett
(Signature of Authorized Official)

November 21, 1951
(Date)

President
(Title)

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MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT

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(b) Buildings						
(c) Fixtures						
2. Operating Equipment:						
(a) Purchased[1]	---	5302.88	5302.88			
(b) Rented[2]						
(c) Furnished by operator	435.00	1028.55	1463.55			
Trucks 155.00						
Compressor 250.00						
Stoper 30.00						
* Slusher Hoist 25.00						
3. Rehabilitation and Repairs:						
(a) Facilities						
(b) Buildings						
(c) Installations						

*Deleted for justification.

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MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT—Continued

Item	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals to Date	For Government Use Only: Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals To Date
(d) Fixtures						
4. Labor[3]	2468.70	4064.50	6533.20			
5. Supervision	700.00	1603.16	2303.16			
6. Supplies						
(a) Timber	359.02	333.29	692.31			
(b) Explosives	---	1634.45	1634.45			
(c) Repair Parts	65.23	77.75	142.98			
(d) Other	101.88	2678.03	2779.91			
7. Power	213.98	416.81	630.79			
8. Transportation	321.77	1071.66	1393.43			
9. Insurance						
(a) Fire						
(b) Public Liability						
(c) Workmen's Compensation	95.06	170.13	265.19			
Accident	142.56	242.44	385.00			
10. Contract Work						
11. Other (specify)	106.23	572.52	678.75			
Soc. Sec. 47.53						
Telephone &						
Gen. Office Exp 10.10						
Assaying 48.60						
Total	5034.43	19196.17	24230.60			
Deletions	25.00		25.00			
Adjusted totals	5009.43		24205.60			
Totals previously reported		19196.17				
Totals to date			24205.60			

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EXPLORATION UNIT COST AND PROGRESS REPORT FOR MONTH OF October, 1951

(Supply Data Below Applicable Only to Your Operations)

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	Wages [1] and salaries	Equipment [2]	Supplies	Other [3]	Total	Unit	Units this month	Units previously reported	Units to date	Units authorized by contract (Exhibit A)
Drifting	3168.70	500.23	460.90	879.60	5009.43	foot	112	86.5	198.5	1500
Crosscutting										
Raising										
Shafts										
Winzes										
Drill holes										
Overburden										
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Geology and geophysics										
Trenching										
Sampling and assaying										
Roads and trails										
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Other (specify)										
Totals	3168.70	500.23	460.90	879.60	5009.43	foot	112	86.5	198.5	1500

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(April 1951)

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Bennett Mining Company
(Name of Company)

By Carroll P. Bennett
(Signature of Authorized Official)

October 27, 1951
(Date)

President
(Title)

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MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT

Name of operator: Bennett Mining Company
Project No. DMA: Docket #129X - Idma E-81
Total contract amount: $100,000.00
Government participation percent: 50%

Distribution of Expenditures for Month of September, 1951

Reporting period: August 26, 1951, to September 22, 1951

See note below

Item	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals to Date	For Government Use Only: Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals to Date
Wages and salaries	2453.95	3213.71	5667.66			
Equipment purchase [1]	4971.48	331.40	5302.88			
Equipment rental [2]	435.00	593.55	1028.55			
Buildings						
Explosives	357.00	1277.45	1634.45			
Repair parts & Labor	39.00	38.75	77.75			
Other supplies	856.53	2154.79	3011.32			
Power	410.12	6.69	416.81			
Transportation	697.73	373.93	1071.66			
Withholding taxes						
Compensation insurance	73.62	96.51	170.13			
Other insurance Accident	112.62	129.82	242.44			
Contract work						
Other (specify) Social Security & Genl Office Exp	97.13	475.39	572.52			
Total	10504.18	8691.99	19196.17			
Totals previously reported	8691.99					
Totals to date	19196.17			10,504.18	8691.99	19,196.17

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Approved by: [illegible]
Amount approved for payment: $5252.09
Remarks:

[1] Enter total purchase price in month purchase is made.
[2] Payments for rental of equipment or prorated depreciation on equipment owned by contractor.

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DISTRIBUTION OF WAGES AND SALARIES FOR MONTH OF September 1951

Name of operator: Bennett Mining Company
Project No. DMA: Docket #129X - Idma D-51
Total contract amount: $100,000.00
Government participation percent: 50%

TYPE	NUMBER	MAN-SHIFTS	RATE	TOTAL
*Miners Regular	6	107	1.38 hour $ 11.00 day	$ 1304.55
Muckers				
Trammers				
Timbermen				
Pumpmen				
Hoistmen				
*Surface	2	30	1.41 hour 11.25 day	366.60
Samplers				
Assayers				
Shift bosses				
Mechanics				
Electricians				
Blacksmiths				
Carpenters				
Drill runners				
Drill helpers				
*Teamsters	1	7	1.38 hour 11.00 day	82.80
Manager				
Superintendent	1	30	500.00 month	500.00
Engineers				
Geologists				
Bookkeeper	1	30	200.00 month	200.00
Foreman				
Clerks				
Stenographers				
Other				
TOTAL	11	204		2453.95

NOTE.—Show only that portion of supervisory, office, and engineering salaries that is chargeable to this project.

* Includes over-time at time and a half over 40 hours per week

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Note - Pay miners every 2 weeks; mine superintendent and bookkeeper once a month; close books at end of last pay period in month and include salary for mine superintendent and bookkeeper for that month.

EXPLORATION UNIT COST AND PROGRESS REPORT FOR MONTH OF September 1951

Name of operator: Bennett Mining Company
Project No. DMA: Docket #129X C Idma E-81
Total contract amount: $100,000.00
Government participation, percent: 50 %

Item	Costs					Progress				
	Wages [1] and salaries	Equipment [2]	Supplies	Other [3]	Total	Unit	Units this month	Units previously reported	Units to date	Units authorized by contract
Drifting		5171.11	1065.91	906.00	7143.02	foot	11	86.5	97.5	1500
Crosscutting										
Raising										
Shafts										
Winzes										
Drill holes										
Overburden										
Rehabilitation and preparation	2453.95	274.37	147.62	485.22	3361.16	dollars	3361.16	1636.84	4998.00	5000.0
Geology and geophysics										
Trenching										
Sampling and assaying										
Roads and trails										
Test pits										
Other (specify)										
Totals	2453.95	5445.48	1213.53	1391.22	10504.18					

[1] Prorate supervisory, engineering, and office salaries in proportion to man-shifts of direct labor.
[2] Prorate charges for equipment that is not exclusively for one type of job (such as compressors) against authorized units of work in each category.
[3] Where entries in the "Other" column (above) are more than 25 percent of the total expenditures, a breakdown of this item should be made.

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September 1st found the work of enlarging the 400 level adit, which had commenced August 29th, well under way. This enlargement was necessary to accommodate passage of the mucking machine and trammer and had been approved under the project for this purpose.

Under this rehabilitation, the lower level of the mine (400 level) was enlarged from an approximate rock section of 3 feet by 6 feet to a nominal 5 feet by seven feet throughout the first 950 feet of length. All work was done through very hard rock, which did not require timber. This work involved removal of air and water lines by section and their replacement as enlarging progressed, as well as relocation and repair of some sections of track.

This work was carried out single shift until about September 10, after which date it was prosecuted two shifts per day as the additional manpower became available. The job was completed September 27 and drifting on the vein resumed. By the end of the month, 10.5 feet of additional progress had been made in the drift.

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COPY

D. O. Vou. No. _____
Bu. Vou. No. DMA-36

GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE PREAUDIT
Certified for payment in the sum of $_____
Comptroller General of the United States
By_____

U. S. Dept. Interior, Bureau of Mines
(Department, bureau, or establishment)

Voucher prepared at Albany, Ore. 10/25/51
(Give place and date)

THE UNITED STATES, Dr.

To Bennett Mining Company
(Payee)

Address P. O. Box 1135, Great Falls, Montana
Payee's Account No. _____

PAID BY
(For use of Paying Office)

No. and Date of Order	Date of Delivery or Service	Articles or Services (Enter description, item number of contract or general supply schedule, and other information deemed necessary) Terms _____ % Discount Cash _____ days	Quantity	UNIT PRICE Cost	UNIT PRICE Per	AMOUNT Dollars	AMOUNT Cts.
		Brought forward from continuation sheet(s)					
	7/23/51 to 8/31/51	Per certified form MF-104, dtd 10/17/51 attached				4,345	99

Shipped from _____ to _____ Weight _____ Government B/L No. _____ Total 4,345 99

(Payee must NOT use this space)
Differences _____
Account verified; correct for 4,345 99
(Signature or initials) _____

Contract No. Idm-E81 Date 7/23/51 Req. No. _____ Date _____ Invoice Rec'd _____

4,345.99

MEMORANDUM

ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION (for completion by Administrative Office)

Appropriation, limitation, or project symbol	Appropriation title	Limit'n or Proj't Amount	Appropriation Amount
14X4401	Revolving Fund, Defense Production Act, Interior	4,345.99	4,345.99

Allotment symbol	Amount	Obligations liquidated	COST ACCOUNT Symbol	COST ACCOUNT Amount	OBJECTIVE CLASSIFICATION Symbol	OBJECTIVE CLASSIFICATION Amount

Paid by { Check No. _____ dated _____, 19____, for $_____ on Treasurer of the United States in favor of payee named above.
Cash, $_____, on _____, 19____. Payee _____ (Sign original only)

*When a voucher is signed or receipted in the name of a company or corporation, the name of the person writing the company or corporate name, as well as the capacity in which he signs, must appear. For example; "John Doe Company, per John Smith, Secretary", or "Treasurer", as the case may be.
† If the ability to certify and authority to approve are combined in one person, one signature only is necessary; otherwise the approving officer will sign in the blank space below "Approved for $_____", and over his official title.

Per _____
Title _____

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METHOD OF OR ABSENCE OF ADVERTISING

(Section 3709 of the Revised Statutes)

1. After advertising in newspapers.

2. (*a*) After advertising by circular letters sent to ..... dealers.

(*b*) And by notices posted in public places.

(If notices were not posted in addition to advertising by circular letters sent to dealers, explanation of such omission must be made. The notation on the certificate on the face of the voucher must be "2 (*a*) (*b*)" or "2 (*a*)", depending on whether or not notices were posted.)

3. Without advertising, under an exigency of the service which existed prior to the order and would not admit of the delay incident to advertising.

4. Without advertising in accordance with .....

5. Without advertising, it being impracticable to secure competition because of .....

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(Here state in detail the nature of the exigency or circumstances under which the securing of competition was impracticable under 3 and 4)

NOTE.—The above form "Method of or Absence of Advertising" is to be used when purchases are made or services secured under proper authority without written agreement in any form. In case of a written agreement (formal contract, proposal, and acceptance, or less formal agreement) Standard Form No. 1036—Revised should be used for abstracting the method of or absence of advertising and award of contract. (See General Regulations No. 51, Supplement No. 6, General Accounting Office, Aug. 20, 1930.)

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MF-104
(April 1951)

Budget Bureau No. 42-R1036.
Approval expires 6-30-51.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION

DMC-129

STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MINERAL EXPLORATION PROGRAM
OPERATOR'S MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

Operators are to submit monthly reports to the designated field representative of the Defense Minerals Administration. Reports are to be submitted in quadruplicate prior to the 15th day of the month following the reporting period.

Narrative.—A concise narrative description of progress made, results accomplished, and any unusual difficulties encountered is to be furnished.

Maps.—Wherever possible, the narrative is to be illustrated with maps or sketches showing formations penetrated and location and assays of samples taken as well as advances in workings. In the case of diamond drilling or churn drilling, the location and inclination of holes is to be shown on a map; logs and assays also are to be submitted.

Cost Accounts.—All applicable parts of this form are to be filled in. This report will form the basis for payments of the Government's participating share of expenses. Audits of accounts will be made from time to time.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned company, and the official executing this certification on its behalf, hereby certify that the information contained in this report is correct and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief.

BENNETT MINING COMPANY
(Name of Company)

By Carroll R. Bennett
(Signature of Authorized Official)

October 17th, 1951
(Date)

President
(Title)

NOTE.—Title 18, U. S. Code (Crimes), section 1001, makes it a criminal offense to make a willfully false statement or representation to any department or agency of the United States as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

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MONTHLY SUMMARY COST STATEMENT

Name of operator Bennett Mining Company
Project No. DMA Docket #129X - Idma E-81
Total contract amount $100,000.00
Government participation percent 50%

Distribution of Expenditures for ~~Month~~ Period of July 23 to August 31, 1951

Item	Monthly Total	Totals Previously Reported	Totals to Date	For Government Use Only: Approved Monthly Total	Approved Totals Previously Reported	Approved Totals to Date
Wages and salaries	3213.71	----	3213.71			
Equipment purchase [1]	331.40	----	331.40			
Equipment rental [2]	593.55	----	593.55			
Buildings						
Explosives	1277.45	----	1277.45			
Repair parts & Labor	38.75	----	38.75			
Other supplies & Expense	2154.79	----	2154.79			
Power	6.69	----	6.69			
Transportation	373.93	----	373.93			
Withholding taxes						
Compensation insurance 3%	96.51	----	96.51			
Other insurance Accident	129.82	----	129.82			
Contract work						
Other (specify) Small tools	427.20	----	427.20			
Soc Sec Tax 1½%	48.19	----	48.19			
Total	8691.99	----	8691.99			
Totals previously reported	----	----	----			
Totals to date	8691.99	----	8691.99			

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Entered by
Approved by Glenn A Reed
Amount approved for payment $4,345.99
Remarks

[1] Enter total purchase price in month purchase is made.
[2] Payments for rental of equipment or prorated depreciation on equipment owned by contractor.

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DISTRIBUTION OF WAGES AND SALARIES FOR ~~MONTH~~ Period OF July 23 to Aug 31, 1951

Name of operator: Bennett Mining Company
Project No. DMA: Docket #129X - Idma E-81
Total contract amount: $100,000.00
Government participation percent: 50%

Type	Number	Man-Shifts	Rate	Total
* Miners Regular	5	35 3/4	1.38 hour $ 11.00 day	$ 415.38
Muckers				
Trammers				
Timbermen				
Pumpmen				
Hoistmen				
* Surface	1	30 2/8	1.41 hour 11.25 day	370.83
Samplers				
Assayers				
Shift bosses				
Mechanics				
Electricians				
Blacksmiths				
Carpenters				
Drill runners				
Drill helpers				
* Teamsters	1	9	1.38 hour 11.00 day	104.88
Manager				
Superintendent	1	40	500.00 month	645.16
Engineers				
Geologists				
Bookkeeper	1	40	200.00 month	258.06
Foreman				
Clerks				
Stenographers				
* Other Contract Miners	3	85 1/2	2.05 hour 16.42 day	1419.40
Total	12	240 4/8		3213.71

Note.—Show only that portion of supervisory, office, and engineering salaries that is chargeable to this project.

* Includes overtime at time and a half over 40 hours per week

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Approved by Glenn A Reed
Remarks

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Note - Pay miners every two weeks; mine superintendent and bookkeeper once a month; close books at end of last pay period in month and include salary for mine superintendent and bookkeeper for that month.

EXPLORATION UNIT COST AND PROGRESS REPORT FOR ~~MONTH~~ Period OF July 23 to August 31, 1951

Name of operator: Bennett Mining Company
Project No. DMA: Docket #129X - Idma E-81
Total contract amount: $100,000.00
Government participation, percent: 50%

Item	Costs					Progress				
	Wages [1] and salaries	Equipment [2]	Supplies	Other [3]	Total	Unit	Units this month	Units previously reported	Units to date	Units authorized by contract
Drifting	2106.98	1390.90	3057.24	500.03	7055.15	foot	86.5	0	86.5	800
Crosscutting										
Raising										
Shafts										
Winzes										
Drill holes										
Overburden										
Rehabilitation and preparation	1106.73	----	375.00	155.11	1636.84	dollars	1106.73	0	1106.73	2000
Geology and geophysics										
Trenching										
Sampling and assaying										
Roads and trails										
Test pits										
Other (specify)										
Totals	3213.71	1390.90	3432.24	655.14	8691.99					

[1] Prorate supervisory, engineering, and office salaries in proportion to man-shifts of direct labor.
[2] Prorate charges for equipment that is not exclusively for one type of job (such as compressors) against authorized units of work in each category.
[3] Where entries in the "Other" column (above) are more than 25 percent of the total expenditures, a breakdown of this item should be made.

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Approved by: Glenn O. Rice
Remarks:

BENNETT MINING COMPANY

404-406 First Avenue South
Box 1135 Phone 4361

Great Falls, Montana

September 20, 1951

U. S. Department of the Interior
Bureau of Mines
North 1201 Division Street
Spokane 2, Washington

Gentlemen:

Attention Mr. Glenn C. Reed,
Mining Engineer

With reference to the question raised in your letter of August 31, 1951, regarding the variation in wage rates, it is contemplated that all development work will be done on a contract basis, viz: so much per foot. It is felt that best results will be achieved by following this procedure, which is more or less standard throughout the mining industry. These contract rates will vary from time to time dependent upon conditions. For example since this project was initiated we have been paying $17.50 per foot for labor in this drift. We realize this is high but it was necessitated by the fact we were awaiting delivery of a trammer and a mucking machine and in the meantime wished to make what progress we could by hand. Since we have recently received a trammer and a mucker, it is contemplated, when this equipment can be put into operation, that this rate will be reduced in the neighborhood of $8.00 or $9.00 per foot.

It was expressly agreed at the time of our visit to your Spokane office that we be permitted to haul what ore was developed in the process of the operation, from the mine to a stockpile site near the mill. This of course necessitated the use of a truck driver, which is the reason we have included under the classification "Teamster" the charges shown. Furthermore a truck driver is essential for the hauling of supplies such as timber etc from the place purchased to the mine. It is impossible to have these supplies delivered at the mine by our present suppliers. The truck driver receives the same wages as a day's pay miner, viz: $11.00 per shift.

The contract does not make any provision for the furnishing of a compressor man. Such labor is essential and we will require one man of this classification on each shift. He is at present receiving $11.25 per day. Provision has been made however for 2 laborers under the Schedule "Exhibit D" and we see no reason why these men could not be included under this provision.

Our regular Day's pay for miners of all classifications will be $11.00 per shift until such time as we may be forced by circumstances beyond our control to raise this rate.

We trust this takes care of the matter to your satisfaction.

Sincerely yours,
Bennett Mining Company
By /s/ Frances A. Clarke

Frances A. Clarke
P. O. Box $1135
Great Falls, Montana

Sinking commenced July 11, 1951, by hand (hand winch and hand tramped) at the face of the level on ore for 2.0 feet, sampling 7.6 ounces of silver per ton, 11.5% lead and 17.0% zinc.

Due to the long, difficult trip over steep grades and crooked track, the length of sound drift which could be pulled was limited and progress was slow. These conditions also necessitated a rather high rate per foot for contract labor, and in order to get the work underway, it was felt this was temporarily justified while awaiting delivery of a mucking machine and trucks.

These two items of equipment arrived August 27th, at which time the work of advancing the drift was temporarily suspended and the job of widening the 400 level drift sufficiently to accommodate this equipment was commenced. This work was still in progress as of September 1, 1951.

From the date drifting commenced until July 23, date the contract became effective, only 12.0 feet of progress had been made. From July 23 until August 29, when the advancement of the drift was temporarily suspended, 17.0 additional feet of progress was made.

The drift was advanced on the vein which was enclosed throughout this distance by diorite, porphyry walls. This rock locally termed "Diorite", has in the vicinity of the vein been intensely altered and leached resulting in very bad ground, necessitating timbering and close lagging on sides and back to prevent running.

At a point 37.0 feet from the initial point, the vein narrowed to a width of about 2.0 feet and became non-commercial. From this point on it was interbedded with considerable pyrite and quartz and some amounts of the sulphides of lead and zinc. The drift ore where commercial was hauled to a stock pile at a site near the mill.

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Bennett Mining Co.
Corner Ninth Street and
First Avenue South
Great Falls, Montana

Re: DMSA-129 (Lead-Zinc)
Bennett Mining Company
Recotah Mine
Cascade County, Montana
Contract Lzn-551

Dear Mr. Bennett:

By the terms of the subject Exploration Project Contract and the certification of discovery or development, dated March 16, 1953, all minerals mined or produced from July 23, 1951, to July 23, 51, were subject to the Government's percentage royalty as set forth in said contract.

As the period during which production was subject to royalty has now expired, the Government according to its present records retains no claim or lien against the property subject to the contract or any future production therefrom. We, therefore, are closing our books and records on this contract. Your attention, however, is called to the provisions of the contract which require the Operator to keep and preserve certain records for the periods indicated.

Sincerely yours,

George Furnich, Jr.

Director

GLAult/a
5-24-62
cc to: Director's Reading File
Contract Division
Region I (2) w/cys Mr. Bennett's letr. May 19, 1962
Docket
Code 500

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

[illegible] BY THE UNITED [illegible]
[illegible] OF VERIFICATION
[illegible] CONTRACT

To: [illegible] Bennett, President
Bennett Mining Co.,
First Avenue, South and Ninth Street
Great Falls, Montana

Pursuant to the provisions of Exploration Project Contract No. Ida-81, dated July 23, 1951 (Docket No. [illegible]-129), hereinafter called the "Contract", between you and the United States of America, hereinafter called the "Government" to establish and fix the Government's percentage royalty on production and its lien thereon and on the mineral deposit which is the subject of the exploration project, the Government concludes, and therefore certifies that a discovery or development has resulted from the work from which commercial production of ore may be made.

The Government's estimate of said discovery or development is particularly described and delineated as follows:

Those certain mining claims known and described as the [illegible], lot No. 2324; [illegible], lot No. 53; and [illegible], lot No. 5595. The group is known as [illegible] and is located in [illegible] County, State of Montana.

[illegible]-zinc ore containing silver have been [illegible] from the [illegible] under the terms of Contract No. [illegible]. The ore body occurs in veins in a [illegible] complex of [illegible] and [illegible].

Dated March 16, 1953

[illegible]

By [illegible]
Administrator, [illegible]
Exploration Administration

WRGriswold/hmj (2-26-53)
CC to: Docket
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Region IV (2)
Finance Office
Base Metals Div.
Admr. Reading File
Op. Committee
Mr. Hedges
Mr. Thayer
Mr. F. E. Johnson
Mr. Murkland
Mr. Hofflund
Mr. Howard I. Young, Dep. Adm., GSA
Mr. Griswold Chron

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Mr. C. . Bennett, President
Bennett Mining Company
First Ave., South and Ninth Street
Great Falls, Montana

Re: Docket No. [illegible]-129 (Lead-Zinc)
Bennett Mining Company
Macotah Mine
Lincoln County, Montana
Contract No. 1[illegible]-781

Dear Mr. Bennett:

Enclosed herewith is a Certificate of Discovery under Contract No. 1[illegible]-781 on the Macotah mine.

By the terms of the Exploration Project Contract and of the certification, all lead and zinc produced from the aforesaid mine is subject to the Government's percentage royalty as set forth in the said contract until the sum which the Government has advanced as its participating interest has been repaid or until ten years from the date of the contract has elapsed.

Payments should be made to:

Mr. . H. Meissenborn, Executive Officer
[illegible] Field [illegible], Region II
South 157 Howard Street
Spokane 2, Washington

Checks should be made payable to the Treasurer of the United States. The purchaser should be advised to deduct the royalties from the amount due on each shipment and forward the check to the Executive Officer.

Royalty payments to the Government should be accompanied by suitable evidence such as copies of settlement sheets, showing quantity and grade of the lead and zinc product sold, the name of the purchaser, the price and charges, certified to be correct by the purchaser.

You are requested to notify Mr. Meissenborn of any changes

of ownership or production rights, or if production, which may have been discontinued for an extended period, should be resumed.

Sincerely yours,

C. O. Mittendorf

Administrator

Enclosures

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Mr. Howard I. Young, Dpp. Adm. GSA

Mr. Howard I. Young, Deputy Administrator
Defense Materials Procurement Agency
General Services Administration Building
Washington 25, D. C.

MAR 16 1953

Re: Docket No. MMM-129 (Lead-Zinc)
Bennett Mining Company
Dacotah Mine
Cascade County, Montana
Contract No. Idm-E81

My dear Mr. Young:

Enclosed is a copy of a "Certification of Discovery" on the property of the above-named project. The Field Team's final report will be sent to you when it is received.

The contract was signed July 1, 1951, the Government participating to the extent of 50 percent in an exploration project estimated to cost $100,000.00. The total expenditure approved by the DMEA auditors was $85,392.55, the Government's share being $42,696.27. Work accomplished consisted of 563 feet of drifting, 200 feet of crosscutting, 137 feet of sinking a winze, plus a certain amount of rehabilitation work and cutting out for winze stations.

The final report of the Operator indicates that 3 ore zones were encountered, one having a grade of 11.5 percent lead and 12 percent zinc, one a grade of 1.7 percent lead and 12.5 percent zinc, and one a grade of 8 percent combined lead and zinc values.

Ore lengths and volumes are indeterminate in that drifting was inadequate to effect any delineation. Presumably the ore occurs as intermittent and erratic lenses along the course of the vein and a large tonnage could hardly be expected.

Sincerely yours,

C. O. Mittendorf
Administrator

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Enclosure

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR 140
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

March 6, 1953

Memorandum

To: Chief, Base Metals Division

From: Chief Counsel

Subject: Bennett Mining Co. - Docket No. DMEA-129 - Contract No. Idm-551 (Lead-Zinc)

In your proposed letter to Howard I. Young, Deputy Administrator, Defense Materials Procurement Agency, you state that on this project, "$86,421.61 was actually expended, the Government's [50%] share being $42,696.27," and in your memorandum to the Administrator, you state "The final audit report shows that the total net project cost (after crediting sale of equipment) was $86,421.61, of which the Government's [50%] contribution was $42,696.27."

The Audit Division states that the operator reported that $89,324.61 was spent on the project, but taking into account $2,903 derived from the sale of equipment, the net cost amounted only to $86,421.61. However, since the audit division took exception to items amounting to $1,029.06, the net allowable cost was only $85,392.55.

Because of the foregoing, I believe that it would be preferable to state in both the above-mentioned letters that the total net cost of the project as approved by the DMEA Auditors amounted to $85,392.55 of which the Government contributed 50% or $42,696.27.

J. L. Hofflund

J. L. Hofflund
Chief Counsel

AEKane/ema/
cc: Mails & Files
Adm. R. File
C. O. Mittendorf
J. L. Hofflund
E. L. Chambers
A. E. Kane
Chron.

Memorandum

To: The Administrator

From: Chief, Base Metals Division

Subject: Certification of Discovery or Development (Lead-Zinc) Pocket No. [illegible]-129, Contract No. [illegible]-181, Bennett Mining Co., Macotah Mine, Cascade County, Montana.

The initial exploration project contract was executed July 23, 1951, with a total estimated cost of the project of $100,000.00. Six subsequent amendments did not change the above total amount.

We are advised by the field that work has been stopped on the project by mutual consent as of January 19, 1953. The final audit report shows that the total net project cost (after crediting sale of equipment) as approved by [illegible] auditors, was $85,392.55, of which the Government's contribution was $[illegible],696.27.

Work accomplished amounted to 563 feet of drifting, 200 feet of crosscutting, 137 feet of sinking of winze, plus a certain amount of rehabilitation work and cutting out for hoist stations.

The final report of the operator (which the field team considers to be satisfactory) states that on the 400 level a short lense of ore, 37 feet in length and averaging 4 feet in width, was encountered with a grade of 5 ounces of silver, 11.5 percent lead and 12 percent zinc. After subsequent drifting in barren vein for 363 feet ore was again encountered. The last 40 feet of this 400 level drift was in an ore grade of 8 percent combined lead and zinc, with the drift face still in ore.

Additional work from the bottom of a winze, on the 500 level, showed an ore length of 70 feet, with an average vein width of 2.2 feet and an average assay of 3.2 ounces of silver, 1.7 percent lead and 12.5 percent of zinc. This drift face was also in ore when work was stopped.

After termination of the above work the operator closed down his operation due to a heavy flow of water from the 500 level and probably due to the intermediate grade of the ore encountered.

It would be futile at this time to present an estimate of ore tonnage delineated. Obviously the ore bodies occur only intermittently along the course of this vein. Nevertheless the fact that 3 ore zones were encountered, and that both the 400 and 500 level headings were stopped in ore, renders certification advisable. The chances of additional ore being developed, upon further work, would be considered as being good.

W. R. Griswold

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Mr. Howard I. Young, Deputy Adm. GSA Building
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TERMINATION OF EXPLORATION PROJECT CONTRACT BY AGREEMENT
AFTER COMMENCEMENT BUT BEFORE COMPLETION OF THE WORK

It is agreed this 10th day of September, 1952, between the United States of America, acting through the Depatment of the Interior, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration, hereinafter called the "Government," and the Bennett Mining Company, P. O. Box 1135, Great Falls, Montana, hereinafter called the "Operator," parties to that certain Exploration Project Contract I-dm-E 81, Docket No. DMEA- 129X, dated July 23, 1951, that the said contract shall be and is hereby terminated as of the first date above written.

Any work prosecuted or costs incurred by the Operator after the date first above written shall be for the sole account of the Operator, except for (a) such necessary and reasonable costs and expenses as may be incurred in preserving and disposing of any facilities, buildings, fixtures, equipment, or other items, to the cost of which the Government has contributed and in which the Government has an equity, and (b) the costs of any reports, accounts, and winding-up and settlement actions provided for in the contract.

The undersigned Operator hereby releases and agrees to save harmless the Government from all claims and demands under or arising out of said Exploration Project Contract, except as herein expressly otherwise provided.

Witness the following signatures as of the day and year first above written.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A. E. Weissenborn

By A. E. Weissenborn
Exec. Officer, DMEA, Field Team Region II

BENNETT MINING COMPANY
(Operator)

By Tangney B. Bennett

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Mr. F. E. Johnson, Chairman
Operating Committee, DMA
Dept. of the Interior
Washington 25, D. C.

Re: Docket No. DMA-129X - Lead-Zinc
Bennett Mining Company
Contract Idm-181

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Enclosed are the original and two signed copies of the termination form terminating the contract by agreement after commencement but before completion of the work.

We regret that the Operator is stopping work as he has a very nice discovery with two of his exploration faces in good grade ore. He states, however, that he has reached the end of his resources and is unable to continue.

A final audit of the Operator's books is now being made, and we are informed that the Operator's final report is in preparation. A report by Field Team members will be prepared as soon as feasible.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Weissenborn
Executive Officer, DMA
Field Team, Region II

Enclosure
cc: DMA (2)
Reg. Fin. Officer (1) w/encl.
Robert Hull, DMA auditor

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AMENDMENT NO. 6

It is agreed this 15th day of May 1952, between the United States of America, acting through the Department of the Interior, Defense Minerals Administration and Bennett Mining Company, Great Falls, Montana (Docket No. DMEA 129, lead-zinc)

each acting in consideration of the agreement of the other to the terms hereinafter set forth, that the Exploration Project Contract Idm-E81 of July 23 1951 between the parties hereto be modified and amended as described in Exhibit "F", attached hereto, which, with any maps or drawings attached therto, is made a part of this aggrement. The effective date of this amendment shall be April 1 1952.

This amendment is made by authority granted the Executive Office, DMA Field Team, Region II in Order No. 2653 by the Acting Secretary of the Interior.

This amendment shall not be constued to increase the estimated total cost of the project, the aggregate total amount which the Government may be obligated to pay, or the percentage of costs which the Government may be obligated to pay, under the provisions of Article 13 of the contract form.

Executed in sextuplicate the day and year first above written.

BENNETT MINING COMPANY
(Operator)

By [signature]

The United States of America

By [signature]
A. E. Weissenborn, Exec. Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region II

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BENNETT MINING COMPANY
Docket No. DMEA 129 (lead-zinc)
Exploration Project Contract Idm-E81

AMEMDMENT NO. 6

Exhibit "F"

The following addition to Exhibit "C" under "Operating Equipment - to be purchased" is necessary to replace previously purchased mine bucket which was destroyed in a hoisting accident:

Item	Estimated cost
1 mine bucket	$75.00

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

No. 197 Ward Street
Dallas 4, Washington

April 22, 1952

Dennott Mining Company
P. O. Box 1135
Great Falls, Montana

Subject: Approval of contract labor rate for shaft sinking, Contract [illegible]

Gentlemen:

Approval is hereby given to your request of April 22, 1952, to contract a shaft sinking labor at the rate of $35.00 per foot of completed shaft.

Specifications of shaft are as follows:

Excavation cross-section 7½' x 11'
Compartments 2
Hoisting compartment 4' x 5' in clear;
service compartment 3' x 5' in clear
Timbering - double sets of 8" x 8" timber on [illegible] 5' 4" centers; all sets lagged with 2" plank
Miscellaneous facilities to be installed
ladders and platforms as required by state law,
ventilation tubing, air column, water column,
and drilling water line.

This approval shall not be construed to increase the estimated total cost of the project, the amount of the total amount that the Government may pay, or the percentage of the costs that the Government may pay, under the provisions of Article 13 of the contract here.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Weissenborn

A. E. Weissenborn
Executive Officer
Dallas Area, Region 4

cc: [illegible]

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AMENDMENT NO. 5

It is agreed this 26th day of March 1952, between the United States of America, acting through the Department of the Interior, Defense Minerals Administration and Bennett Mining Company, Great Falls, Montana

each acting in consideration of the agreement of the other to the terms hereinafter set forth, that the Exploration Project Contract Idm-E81 of July 23 1951 between the parties hereto be modified and amended as described in Exhibit "F", attached hereto, which, with any maps or drawings attached therto, is made a part of this aggrement. The effective date of this amendment shall be July 23 1951.

This amendment is made by authority granted the Executive Office, DMA Field Team, Region II in Order No. 2653 by the Acting Secretary of the Interior.

This amendment shall not be constued to increase the estimated total cost of the project, the aggregate total amount which the Government may be obligated to pay, or the percentage of costs which the Government may be obligated to pay, under the provisions of Article 13 of the contract form.

Executed in sextuplicate the day and year first above written.

BENNETT MINING COMPANY
(Operator)

By [signature]

The United States of America

By A. E. Weissenborn
A. E. Weissenborn, Exec. Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region II

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Exploration Project Contract Idm-E81
(lead-zinc)

Amendment No. 5

EXHIBIT "F"

The following additions and changes are deemed necessary to allow payment and to expedite the work under the contract to the best interest of the Government and the Operator.

Changes and modifications

Under Exhibit "C" in paragraph "To be purchased" add the following:

	1 - air mover	$55.65
(a)	1 - mine bucket	65.00
(b)	1 - sump pump	305.00
(c)	1 - air hoist	300.00

(a) Bought in lieu of "mine skip" as stipulated in original contract.
(b) Original contract called for 1 sump pump costing $610 - Operator chose to buy two pumps for $305 each.
(c) Original contract allowed for purchase of electric hoist at $6,000 - Operator chose to use air hoist costing $300 (used).

The above additions will not add to the total amount allowed in original contract for equipment to be purchased.

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AMENDMENT NO. 4

It is agreed this 18th day of February 1952, between the United States of America, acting through the Department of the Interior, Defense Minerals Administration and the Bennett Mining Company, Great Falls, Montana

each acting in consideration of the agreement of the other to the terms hereinafter set forth, that the Exploration Project Contract I-DMA-E81 of July 23 1951 between the parties hereto be modified and amended as described in Exhibit "F", attached hereto, which, with any maps or drawings attached therto, is made a part of this aggrement. The effective date of this amendment shall be January 1 1952.

This amendment is made by authority granted the Executive Office, DMA Field Team, Region II in Order No. 2653 by the Acting Secretary of the Interior.

This amendment shall not be constued to increase the estimated total cost of the project, the aggregate total amount which the Government may be obligated to pay, or the percentage of costs which the Government may be obligated to pay, under the provisions of Article 13 of the contract form.

Executed in sextuplicate the day and year first above written.

BENNETT MINING COMPANY
(Operator)

By [signature]

The United States of America

By [signature]

M. E. Volin, Acting Exec. Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region II

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See ltr. 4/3/52 from Ep. Off., Reg. II, in Docket File, justifying this Amendment [signature] 7/21/52

BENNETT MINING COMPANY
Exploration Project Contract Idm-E81

Amendment No. 4

EXHIBIT "F"

Changes and modifications

In Exhibit "A", add the following items:

55 feet of crosscutting (into the hanging wall for winze location) at $30 per foot, estimated cost	$1,650.
Station cutting, timbering and winze preparation, estimated cost	3,500.

In Exhibit "C", Operating equipment - to be purchased, add:

1 sinking drill	$ 365.

MW Mr Wells
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AMENDMENT NO. 3

It is agreed this 27 day of November 1951, between the United States of America, acting through the Department of the Interior, Defense Minerals Administration and Bennett Mining Company

P. O. Box 1135, Great Falls, Montana

each acting in consideration of the agreement of the other to the terms hereinafter set forth, that the Exploration Project Contract Idm-E81 of July 23 1951 between the parties hereto be modified and amended as described in Exhibit "F", attached hereto, which, with any maps or drawings attached thereto, is made a part of this agreement. The effective date of this amendment shall be November 1 1951.

This amendment is made by authority granted the Executive Officer, DMA Field Team, Region II in Order No. 2653 by the Acting Secretary of the Interior.

This amendment shall not be construed to increase the estimated total cost of the project, the aggregate total amount which the Government may be obligated to pay, or the percentage of costs which the Government may be obligated to pay, under the provisions of Article 13 of the contract form.

Executed in sextuplicate the day and year first above written.

Bennett Mining Company
(Operator)

By Carroll R. Bennett
Carroll R. Bennett, Pres.

The United States of America

By A. E. Weissenborn
A. E. Weissenborn
Executive Officer, DMA
Field Team, Region II

BENNETT MINING COMPANY

Exploration Project Idm-E81
Amendment No. 3
Exhibit "F"

Changes and Modifications.

Exhibit "A", Item No. 1 to include: 43 foot footwall crosscut, located 200 feet north of the north drift face of July 23, 1951.

Crosscutting 43 feet at $30.00 per foot, $1290.

Ans

DMA Docket No. 129X
Bennett Mining Company
Cascade County, Montana
Contract Idm-E81

JUSTIFICATION FOR AMENDMENT NO. 3

Amendment No. 3 to Contract No. Idm-E81 allows for a 43-foot crosscut to explore the footwall of the Dacotah vein on the No. 4 level. The cost of this crosscut was estimated at $30.00 per foot or $1,290.

This amendment was necessary in order to explore the footwall of the Dacotah vein. Geologic evidence indicated the possibility of ore-bearing structures in the footwall of the Dacotah vein. The footwall of the alteration zone along the vein was not exposed in the drift and several strong structures had split from the vein within the last 200 feet of drifting along the vein.

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AMENDMENT NO. 2

It is agreed this 11 day of October 1951, between the United States of America, acting through the Department of the Interior, Defense Minerals Administration and Bennett Mining Co.

each acting in consideration of the agreement of the other to the terms hereinafter set forth, that the Exploration Project Contract I DMA-E81 of 23 July 1951 between the parties hereto be modified and amended as described in Exhibit "F", attached hereto, which, with any maps or drawings attached thereto, is made a part of this agreement. The effective date of this amendment shall be 23 July 1951.

This amendment is made by authority granted the Executive Officer, DMA Field Team, Region II in Order No. 2653 by the Acting Secretary of the Interior.

This amendment shall not be construed to increase the estimated total cost of the project, the aggregate total amount which the Government may be obligated to pay, or the percentage of costs which the Government may be obligated to pay, under the provisions of Article 13 of the contract form.

Executed in sextuplicate the day and year first above written.

Bennett Mining Co.
(Operator)

By [signature]

The United States of America

By [signature]
Executive Officer,
DMA Field Team, Region II

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Bennett Mining Company

Exploration Project I DMA-E31

AMENDMENT # 2

EXHIBIT "F"

Changes and Modifications

Item #3 in Exhibit "A" change to read as follows:

Drift 200 feet (extending No. 2 level) at $30.00 per foot	$6,000

Item #7 in Exhibit "A" change to read as follows:

Rehabilitation and maintenance of No. 4 level	$5,000

DMA Docket No. 129X
Bennett Mining Company
Cascade County, Montana
Contract No. Idm-E81

JUSTIFICATION FOR AMENDMENT NO. 2

Amendment No. 2 to Contract No. Idm-E81 changes the amount of drifting on the 200 level from 300 feet to 200 feet, and also changes the cost of rehabilitation and maintenance of the No. 4 level from $2,000 to $5,000.

This amendment is necessary because the cost estimate to rehabilitate the No. 4 level was $3,000 low. The change in the amount of drifting on the 200 level was made to allow for the additional $3,000 needed to rehabilitate the No. 4 level.

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It is agreed this 3rd day of October 1951, between the United States of America, acting through the Department of the Interior, Defense Minerals Administration and

Bennett Mining Company

each acting in consideration of the agreement of the other to the terms hereinafter set forth, that the Exploration Project Contract No. Idm-E81 of July 23 1951 between the parties hereto be modified and amended as described in Exhibit "F", attached hereto, which, with any maps or drawings attached thereto, is made a part of this agreement. The effective date of this amendment shall be July 23 1951.

This amendment is made by authority granted the Executive Officer, DMA Field Team, Region II in Order No. 2653 by the Acting Secretary of the Interior.

This amendment shall not be construed to increase the estimated total cost of the project, the aggregate total amount which the Government may be obligated to pay, or the percentage of costs which the Government may be obligated to pay, under the provisions of Article 13 of the contract form.

Executed in sextuplicate the day and year first above written.

Bennett Mining Co.
(Operator)

By [signature]

The United States of America

By A. E. Weissenborn

Executive Officer, Region II

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Bennett Mining Company
Contract DMI-E81

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EXHIBIT "F"

Changes and Modifications

1. On Exhibit "D" of Exploration Project Contract under Labor and Supervision substitute the attached schedule of Wage and Salary Classifications and Rates.

2. Labor for the project may be paid at shift rates or unit contracts at the discretion of the company, but rates are not to exceed standards for like work in this district.

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Bennett Mining Company
Dacotah Mine, Cascade County, Mont.
Exploration Project Contract

Labor and Supervision

No.*	Classification	Maximum rate per shift
1	Superintendent	$500.00 (per mo.)
1	Boss	14.00
4	Miners (shaft)	12.81 **
8	Miners (regular)	12.31 **
2	Hoistmen	13.06
2	Trammer s	12.31
2	Laborers	11.81
1	Bookkeeper	200.00 (per mo.)
1	Teamster	12.00
2	Compressormen	12.25

*2-shift operation

Wage rates are subject to changes to comply with local union contracts. A shift differential of 8¢ and 12¢ per hour is paid for afternoon and graveyard shifts, respectively. Work over 40 hours per week may be paid at one and one-half times the base rate.

**Day's pay rate for these classifications. However, it is contemplated these men will be working on a contract basis and their wages will depend on footage made at contract rate, which will not exceed standards for like work in this district.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION

STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MINERALS EXPLORATION PROGRAM

TO: Chief, Finance Section, Budget and Finance Branch, Bureau of Mines

Please enter on the records of the Defense Minerals Exploration Administration, under the Strategic and Critical Minerals Exploration Program, the following contract, or amendment to contract.

Contract No. Idm-E [illegible]

Date of Contract or Amendment: July 2, 1951

Name and Address of Operator:

Barrett Mining Co.
Box 1235
Great Falls, Montana

Amount of Government participation $ 50,000.00

Percent of Government participation 50 %

Region: III State: Montana

Direct reference G.[illegible]73; Motor Contract Administration and Audit Division

(Name)

J. [illegible] Graham,
Chief, Contract Administration and Audit Division

(Title)

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
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EXPLORATION PROJECT CONTRACT[1]

It is agreed this 23rd day of July, 1951, between the United States of America, acting through the Department of the Interior, Defense Minerals Administration, hereinafter called the "Government," and[2] Bennett Mining Co., a corporation
P. O. Box 1135 Carroll R. Bennett, President
Great Falls, Montana

hereinafter called the "Operator," as follows:

1. *Authority for contract.* This agreement is entered into under the authority of the Defense Production Act of 1950, pursuant to Mineral Order 5, entitled "Regulations Governing Government Aid in Defense Exploration Projects."

2. *Operator's property rights.* The exploration project shall be conducted on that certain property situated in the State of Montana, County of Cascade described as follows:[3] The Dacotah, lot no. 2224; Gilpin, lot no. 53; SamSavage, lot no. 5595. Group known as Dacotah mine.

with respect to which the Operator represents and undertakes:[4]

(*a*) ~~That he is the holder in possession and entitled to possession, and that the property is subject only to the following claims, liens or encumbrances, as to each of which the subordination agreement of the holder is attached:~~

(*b*) That he is a lessee, in possession and entitled to possession, and the subordination agreement of the lessor is attached.

3. *Exploration project.* The Operator, within ten days from the date of this contract shall commence work on a project of exploration for[5] lead and zinc; shall prosecute the work efficiently, expertly, in a workmanlike manner, in accordance with good mining standards, with suitable and adequate equipment, materials, and labor, all properly designed to bring the project to completion within a period of[6] 15 calendar months from the date of this contract. The exploration project and the work to be performed are more fully described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto, which, with any maps or drawings thereto attached, is made a part of this contract.

4. *Performance of the work.* The work shall be performed by the Operator, under his sole direction and control: *Provided,* That with the consent of the Government and its written approval of the contract or contracts, all or any part of the work may be performed by the Operator through contract or contracts with independent contractors. The Government shall have the right to enter and observe and inspect the work at all reasonable times, and the Operator shall provide the Government with all available means for doing so. The Government may consult with and advise the Operator on all phases of the work.

5. *Fixtures and improvements.* The Operator shall devote the land and all existing improvements, facilities, buildings, installations, and appurtenances to the purposes of the exploration project without any allowance for the use, rental value, depreciation, depletion, or other cost of acquiring, owning, or holding possession thereof. Attached hereto, marked "Exhibit 'B'," is a detailed list of additional facilities, buildings, and fixtures, to be purchased, installed, or erected by the Operator, with the estimated cost of each, to which the Government will contribute its agreed pro-rata share of the cost. The difference between the cost of such additional facilities, buildings, or fixtures, and the salvage value thereof at the conclusion of the work, shall be charged as a cost of the project to which the Government has contributed its pro-rata share.

6. *Operating equipment.* Attached hereto, marked "Exhibit 'C'," is a detailed list of operating equipment divided into categories of items to be rented, purchased, or furnished by the Operator, with the allowable rental, purchase price, or rental value, as the case may be, annexed to each. As to equipment purchased for the project, the Government will contribute its agreed pro-rata share of the cost thereof, and the difference between the cost and the salvage value at the conclusion of the work shall be charged as a cost of the project to which the Government has contributed its pro-rata share.

[1] If sufficient space is not provided in any blank, use an extra sheet of paper and refer to it in the blank.
[2] State name, address, and nature of organization if any.
[3] Give legal description or enough to identify the property.
[4] Strike out the provision not applicable.
[5] Name of mineral.
[6] Not in excess of 2 years.

Supplement No. Approval dated 10-3-51 Amended 11-15-51 SM L
Supplement No. 1 dated 10-3-51 Amended 11-15-51 SM L
Supplement No. Amend 2 dated 10-14-51 11-15-51 SM L

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7. *Title to and disposition of proper* All facilities, buildings, fixtures, equipment, other items costing more than $50 each, paid for or purchased with funds contributed jointly by the Operator and the Government, shall belong to the Operator and the Government jointly, in proportion to their respective contributions, and upon the termination of the contract, if they have any salvage value, shall be disposed of for their joint account unless the Government, in writing, waives its interest in any such items. The Government may require the dismantling, severance from land, and removal of any such items in order to realize its interest in the salvage value thereof, and the cost of any such removal and of the disposal of the items shall be for the joint account of the parties in proportion to their respective interests.

8. *Labor and supervision.* Attached hereto, marked "Exhibit 'D'," is an itemized schedule of labor, by numbers and classes (miners, muckers, millmen, etc.), and of supervisors, by numbers and positions, with the maximum wages or salaries that may be paid to each as an allowable cost of the project.

9. *Rehabilitation and repairs.* Attached hereto, marked "Exhibit 'E'," is a detailed schedule of existing facilities, buildings, installations, and fixtures, with a statement of the cost of any necessary rehabilitation or repairs to put into useful and operable condition, which cost shall be allowed as a cost of the project.

10. *Allowable costs of the project.* The allowable costs of the project in which the Government will participate are limited to the necessary, reasonable, direct costs of performing the exploration work, including the costs of materials, supplies, engineering, power, water, and utilities, including items of equipment costing less than $50 each; and the costs referred to in Articles 5, 6, 8, and 9, and the exhibits annexed to and referred to in the contract. Although the Government may pay part of the cost of new or additional facilities, structures, buildings, and equipment, only the depreciation on such items, computed as indicated in Articles 5 and 6, will be charged as a cost of the project. No items of general overhead, corporate management, interest, or any other indirect costs not expressly allowed by these regulations, or work performed or costs incurred before the date of this contract, shall be allowed as costs of the project in which the Government will participate.

11. *Participation by the Government.* At the end of the first full calendar month after the Operator has commenced work under the project, and at the end of each succeeding calendar month, the Operator shall submit to the Government a voucher for payment with a detailed statement of work done and allowable costs (as defined in Article 10 of this agreement) incurred, in a form and with supporting data acceptable to the Government. After approving the voucher, the Government shall pay to the Operator 50 percent of the sum of such costs incurred; *Provided,* That the aggregate total of all sums paid by the Government under this agreement shall not exceed $50,000, which is 50 percent of the agreed estimated total cost of this project, $100,000.

12. *Accounts and audits.* The Operator shall keep suitable records and accounts of operations, which the Government may inspect and audit at any time. The Government may at any time require an audit of the Operator's records and accounts by a certified public accountant, the cost thereof to be treated as a cost of the project. The Operator shall keep and preserve said records and accounts for at least 3 years after the completion of the project or the termination of this contract.

13. *Progress reports.* The Operator shall provide the Government with monthly reports of progress in form and content satisfactory to the Government, and upon the completion of the project or termination of the contract shall provide the Government with a comprehensive geologic and engineering report, including an estimate of ore reserves, to the best of his ability. Four copies of all reports shall be furnished to the Government.

14. *Repayment by Operator.* If, upon the completion of the exploration project or termination of the contract, the Government considers that a discovery or development has resulted from the work from which commercial production of ore may be made, the Government, within 6 months thereafter shall so certify to the Operator, particularly describing and delimiting its estimate of the discovery or the development. Thereafter, if and as ore is produced as a result of such discovery or development, the Operator and his successor in interest shall be and become obligated to pay to the Government a percentage royalty on the net smelter returns or other net proceeds realized from such ore, concentrates, or metal produced within ten (10) years from the date of this contract, until the total amount contributed by the Government, without interest, is fully repaid or said 10 years have elapsed, whichever occurs first, as follows:

Of net smelter returns or other net proceeds not in excess of eight dollars ($8.00) per ton of ore: One and one-half (1½) percent.

Of net smelter returns or other net proceeds in excess of eight dollars ($8.00) per ton of ore: One and one-half (1½) percent, plus one-half (½) percent additional for each full fifty cents ($0.50) in excess of eight dollars ($8.00) per ton of ore, but not in excess of a maximum of five (5) percent.

This obligation to repay from net returns or proceeds shall be and remain a claim and lien upon the property which is the subject of the exploration project and upon any production resulting from such discovery or development, in favor of the Government, until fully paid, or until said 10-year period has elapsed; and this claim and lien and the Government's right to repayment shall survive any termination of the contract, whether by completion of the exploration project or otherwise. This article is not to be construed as imposing any obligation on the Operator or his successor in interest to produce ore from any such discovery or development.

15. *No assignment of contract.* Without the written consent of the Government, the Operator shall not assign or otherwise transfer or hypothecate this contract or any rights thereunder.

16. *Termination and completion.* The Government may, at any time, by written notice to the Operator, terminate this contract: (*a*) If the Operator fails to provide his share of the money necessary to prosecute operations pursuant to the terms of the contract; (*b*) if the Operator, in the opinion of the Government, fails to prosecute operations pursuant to the terms of the contract; or (*c*) if in the opinion of the Government, operations up to the time of the notice have not indicated the probability of making any worthwhile discovery and in the opinion of the Government further operations are not justified. Upon the completion of the project or any termination of the contract the Operator shall render to the Government a full and final accounting of his operations under the contract and his expenditures of money; shall dispose of any unused materials, supplies, and equipment for the joint account of the Operator and the Government in the proportion of their respective interests; and shall pay to the Government its pro-rata share of any money remaining.

Executed in ~~triplicate~~ the day and year first above written.

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Bennett Mining Co.
(Operator)

By [signature]
President

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

By [signature]
Director, Production Expansion Division
Defense Minerals Administration

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EXHIBIT "A"

Exploration Project

It is anticipated that the following exploration project when completed will have delineated about 75,000 tons of new ore reserves from which 10,000,000 pounds of zinc, 3,500,000 pounds of lead, 187,000 ounces of silver, and some gold may be recovered.

1.*	Drifting 800 feet (extending No. 4 level) at $30.00 per foot	$ 24,000
2.*	Raising 165 feet from new drift on No. 4 level to No. 2 level at $35.00 per foot	5,775
3.*	Drift 300 feet (extending No. 2 level) at $30.00 per foot	9,000
4.*	Raising 250 feet from No. 2 level toward surface at $35.00 per foot	8,750
5.*	Sink winze 250 feet from new drifting on No. 4 level at $81.34 per foot	20,335
6.*	Drift 400 feet off winze at elevation 200 feet below No. 4 level at $30.00 per foot	12,000
7.	Rehabilitation of No. 4 level	2,000
8.	Cost of equipment to be purchased	15,015
9.	Engineering, sampling and assaying, etc.	3,125
	Total	$100,000

*See accompanying map.

Note: Cost per foot items are estimated average costs which will vary with number of concurrent operations and may be varied by method employed for distributing certain costs, such as equipment, maintenance, etc.

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EXHIBIT "A" continued

Exploration Project

Time Schedule

Operation	Estimated Time Allocation[a]
1. Rehabilitation and extending No. 4 level	4 months
2. Raising from No. 4 to No. 2 level and extending No. 2 level	3 months
3. Raising 250 feet toward surface from No. 2 level	2 months
4. Sinking winze 250 feet and drifting 400 feet	6 months
Total	15 months[b]

[a] Time estimates are based on a 2-shift operation.

[b] Operations will be concurrent when possible which may reduce total time of project to 10 months.

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EXHIBIT "B"

Fixtures and improvements

Any additional facilities, buildings and fixtures to be purchased, installed, or erected by the Operator shall not be charged as a cost of the project.

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EXHIBIT "C"

Operating equipment

To be rented:

	Monthly rental
1 Dozer and blade TD9	$503.00
1 Truck, 2-1/2 ton dump	80.00
1 Car, 4x4 reconnaissance	75.00
Total maximum monthly rental	$658.00

To be purchased:

	Delivery cost
1 Mechanical loader	$2,900.00
1 Sinker hoist with 30 H.P. electric motor	3,100.00
1 Mancha trammer (complete with battery and charging panel)	6,000.00
4 Mine cars @ $400	1,600.00
1 Skip	150.00
1 Sump pump	610.00
1 Smith welding outfit, complete	155.00
Miscellaneous small tools	500.00
Total	$15,015.00

To be furnished by Operator:

	Monthly rental allowance
1 600 cfm compressor, complete	$ 250.00
8 Mine cars @ $7.50	60.00
2 Sinker drills @ $20	40.00
2 Drifters @ $35	70.00
2 Stopers @ $30	60.00
1 Fan and motor	13.00
1 Air hoist, single drum	20.00
2 Service hoists, air, @ $25	50.00
Total maximum monthly rental allowance	$ 563.00

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EXHIBIT "D"

Labor and supervision

No.*	Classification	Butte, Mont. scale rate per shift
1	Superintendent	$500.00 (per mo.)
1	Boss	14.00
4	Miners (shaft)	12.81
8	Miners (regular)	12.31
2	Hoistmen	13.06
2	Trammers	12.31
2	Laborers	11.81
1	Bookkeeper	200.00 (per mo.)

*2-shift operation

Wage rates are subject to changes to comply with local union contracts. A shift differential of 8¢ and 12¢ per hour is paid for afternoon and graveyard shifts, respectively.

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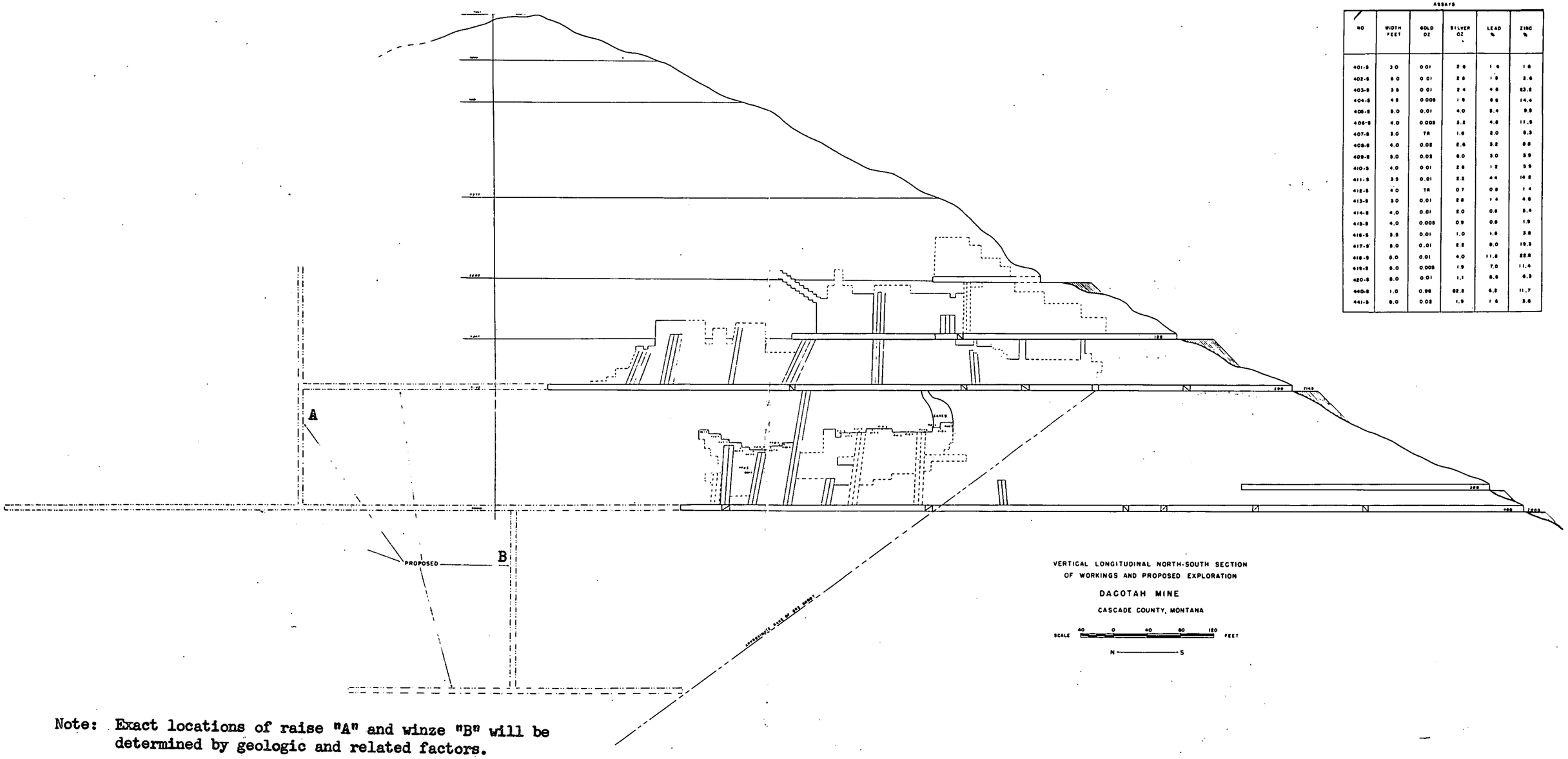
EXHIBIT "E"

Rehabilitation and repairs

The cost of any rehabilitation and repairs required to put existing facilities, buildings, installations and fixtures into useful and operable condition shall not be charged as a cost of the project, except as follows:

Slabbing, straightening track, cleaning out, retimbering where necessary, No. 4 level.....$2,000.00



ASSAYS

NO	WIDTH FEET	GOLD OZ	SILVER OZ	LEAD %	ZINC %
401-S	3.0	0.01	2.6	1.6	1.6
402-S	6.0	0.01	2.8	1.8	3.6
403-S	3.5	0.01	2.4	4.6	23.2
404-S	4.5	0.005	1.9	6.6	14.4
405-S	5.0	0.01	4.0	5.4	9.5
406-S	4.0	0.005	3.2	4.6	11.5
407-S	3.0	TR	1.6	2.0	5.3
408-S	4.0	0.02	2.6	3.2	8.6
409-S	5.0	0.02	6.0	3.0	3.9
410-S	4.0	0.01	2.8	1.2	3.9
411-S	3.5	0.01	2.2	4.4	16.2
412-S	4.0	TR	0.7	0.8	1.4
413-S	3.0	0.01	2.8	1.4	4.6
414-S	4.0	0.01	2.0	0.6	5.4
415-S	4.0	0.005	0.9	0.6	1.9
416-S	3.5	0.01	1.0	1.6	3.8
417-S	5.0	0.01	2.2	8.0	19.3
418-S	6.0	0.01	4.0	11.8	22.8
419-S	5.0	0.005	1.9	7.0	11.4
420-S	6.0	0.01	1.1	5.6	6.3
440-S	1.0	0.96	82.2	6.2	11.7
441-S	6.0	0.02	1.9	1.6	3.6

Note: Exact locations of raise "A" and winze "B" will be determined by geologic and related factors.

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LANDLORD'S SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

WHEREAS, the undersigned is the owner in fee simple of that certain parcel of ground in the county of Cascade, State of Montana, described in a certain Exploration Project Contract dated July 23, 1951, between Bennett Mining Co., P. O. Box 1135, Great Falls, Montana, the Lessee of said property, and the United States of America;

NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned, as Lessor of said property under lease dated June 1, 1951, does by these presents subordinate all of his right, title, and interest under the provisions of said lease to the right, title, and interest of the United States of America under the provisions of said Exploration Project Contract, and agrees that the lien and claim of the United States of America under the provisions of said contract shall be prior to the undersigned's rights to rentals or royalties under the terms of said lease; and

The undersigned further agrees that if said leasehold interest should be surrendered or if said lease should terminate at any time prior to the expiration of the rights of the United States of America under said Exploration Project Contract, the undersigned shall assume and does hereby assume all of the obligations of the Lessee under said Exploration Project Contract to make repayment to the United States of America according to the terms of said contract; and

The undersigned agrees to commit no act, nor assert any claim under judicial process or otherwise that may contravene or conflict with the prior lien and claim of the United States of America under the provisions of said Exploration Project Contract.

This undertaking and covenant shall be binding upon the heirs, successors, and assigns of the undersigned.

Dated this 22d day of June, 1951

Jewell A. Clarke

Josephine A. Bennett

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Question #7.

MINING LEASE

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into this 1st day of September 1946 by and between FRANCES A. CLARKE and JOSEPHINE A. BENNETT, of Great Falls, Cascade County, Montana, hereinafter called lessors and BENNETT MINING COMPANY, of Great Falls, Cascade County, Montana, hereinafter called lessee,

WITNESSETH:-

For and in consideration of the payment of royalty hereinafter specified and the performance of the covenants and agreements hereinafter contained, the lessors have granted, demised and let and by these presents do grant, demise and let unto the lessee all of the following named and described patented quartz lode mining claims situated in the Neihart Mining District, Cascade County, Montana, to-wit:

1. The Dacotah lode mining claim designated by the surveyor general as Lot No. 2224;
2. The Gilpin lode mining claim designated by the surveyor general as Lot No. 53;
3. The Sam Savage lode mining claim designated by the surveyor general as Lot No. 5595.

To have and to hold unto the said lessee for a term of five (5) years from and after September 1, 1946, unless sooner forfeited or determined through the violation of any covenant hereinafter against the said lessee reserved, and with option to renew for an additional period of five (5) years as hereinafter set forth.

In consideration of such demise, the lessee covenants and agrees with lessors as follows, to-wit:

1. To forthwith enter upon such mining claims and to work and operate the same as a group and to diligently explore and develop the same to the end that within a reasonable time from the date hereof sufficient commercial ore in paying quantities shall be developed to enable the lessee to engage in a program of reasonably continuous shipment of ore from said claims. Said work may be performed on any one or more of said claims, provided, however, that lessee shall not be relieved of its obligations hereunder during the term of this lease until it be determined to the satisfaction of both parties that further exploration and development on all of such claims would be useless.

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2. To operate said group of mining claims in a good miner-like manner conformable to the proper development of said claims, timbering when and where necessary, and lessee shall be governed at all times in its operations by the rules of good mining observed in the district where said mining claims are located.

3. To afford the lessors and their agents the right and privilege of entering upon said mining claims for the purpose of inspection, sampling, surveying or protecting their rights in the premises.

4. To not assign this lease without the written consent of lessors.

5. To post in a conspicuous place on some part of said claims a notice that lessee is operating said properties under lease and that it alone is responsible for all debts contracted in connection with the operation of said property.

6. To prepare and file in the proper offices all reports required to be filed by mine operators under the laws of the State of Montana and the United States, and to pay on or before the required date all taxes and assessments required to be paid under the laws of the State of Montana and the United States and, upon demand, to furnish lessors with copies of such reports and receipts showing payment of such taxes and assessments.

7. To make proper application to the United States for the payment to it of such bonus, premium or subsidy as may be payable for the production of minerals by lessee.

8. To observe all laws, rules and regulations of the State of Montana and the United States applicable to its mining operations on said claims.

9. To protect the properties demised hereunder against any and all liens filed against the same.

10. To keep at all times the drifts, shafts, tunnels and other workings thoroughly drained and clear of loose rock and rubbish, unless prevented by extraordinary mining casualty, and to surrender the premises to lessors in such condition upon the expiration of the term of this lease or its earlier determination.

11. To pay to lessors as royalty a full ten per cent (10%) of all receipts by said lessee from all net smelter returns, bonuses, premiums and subsidies received by lessee from the mining, milling or sale of ore, concentrates

or metal from said claims, said royalty to be payable five per cent (5%) to Frances A. Clarke and five per cent (5%) to Josephine A. Bennett. Such royalty shall be payable directly to lessors by the smelter or other person purchasing the ore or concentrates.

12. To ship all concentrates within ninety (90) days after the extraction of the ore from the premises demised, providing road and weather conditions permit, to the end that royalty payments shall not be unduly delayed.

13. To surrender the premises to lessors at the end of the term or other determination of this lease without the necessity of court proceedings, or court order or authority.

IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Where the exploratory work performed by lessee on any mining claim reasonably indicates the non-existence of minerals capable of being mined and milled at a profit, the said lessee may give notice thereof and surrender such claim to lessors and thereafter lessee shall be relieved from any obligations hereunder as to such claim.

2. All buildings, structures and improvements which, after being placed upon said property become fixtures under the laws of Montanahall become the property of lessors upon the termination of this lease.

3. Lessee shall have the option to renew this lease for an additional term of five (5) years upon giving notice in writing to lessors of the exercising of such option at least sixty (60) days prior to September 1st, 1952, said renewal to be upon the same terms as herein set forth.

4. Service of any notice provided to be made under the terms hereof shall be made by mailing the same, postage prepaid, to lessors at Great Falls, Montana, and to lessee at Great Falls, Montana, or by delivering the same personally to lessors and to any agent of lessee.

5. In the event lessee shall fail to pay the royalty reserved hereunder or to perform any of the covenants or agreements on its part to be performed, the lessors shall have the right to cancel and terminate this lease upon their giving to lessee a written notice stating the particulars wherein lessee has failed in its performance, and requiring performance thereof or a surrender and termination of the lease. Lessee shall have thirty (30) days after service

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of such notice in which to perform such covenants or pay such royalty, provided performance can be reasonably completed within said thirty (30) day period; and, if not, then lessee within said period small commence the performance thereof and diligently continue until completion. In the event of the failure of lessee, after notice, as aforesaid, to conform to the provisions of this paragraph said lease shall thereupon be of no further force and effect, and the premises small be peaceably surrendered to lessors.

6. The provisions of this lease shall be binding upon the heirs, executors, administrators and assigns of the parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands this 1st day of September, 1946.

Signed FRANCES A. CLARKE

JOSEPHINE A. BENNETT

Lessors

BENNETT MINING COMPANY

By CARROLL R. BENNETT

President

State of Montana :
: ss
County of Cascade :

On this 1st day of September, 1946, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public for the State of Montana, personally appeared FRANCES A. CLARKE and JOSEPHINE A. BENNETT, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial al the day and year last above written.

Signed - Genevieve Sullivan

Notary Public for the state of Montana
Residing at Great Falls, Montana
My commission expires 10/15/48

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APPROVAL

October 3, 1951

Under authority granted by Order No. 2653 of the Acting Secretary of the Interior, approval is hereby given to the following contract rates paid by the Bennett Mining Company in driving the 400 level drift:

Specifications

Timbered, 4 foot minimum cap length between posts, 5 foot minimum at track level, 7-1/2 foot posts, 5 foot 4 inches between sets, lagged as necessary and complete with track, pipe and water ditch.

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Equipment

Hand shoveling, hand trammed

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Price

$17.50 per foot of completed drift

Note: The above contract rate is necessary because of the long tram over bad track and because no mucking machine or trammer was available during the period July 23, 1951 to September 1, 1951. As delivery of a loading machine and trammer was had on August 29, 1951, this contract rate has been abandoned.

The following rates per foot will be paid for completed drift on the 400 level performed with the assistance of loading machine and trammer:

Item	Rate per foot
First 240 feet	$ 9.00
Next 200 feet	10.00
Next 200 feet	11.00

An approved copy of this document shall be kept on file in the Regional Office of the DMA Field Team, Region II, for a portion of the work to be performed under Exploration Contract Idm-E81 dated July 23, 1951.

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This approval shall not be construed to increase the estimated total cost of the project, the aggregate total amount which the Government may be obligated to pay, or the percentage of the costs which the Government may be obligated to pay, under the provisions of Article 13 of the contract form.

A. E. Weissenborn
Executive Officer, DMA
Field Team, Region II

Glenn C. Reed
For: M. E. Volin, Member
Field Team, Region II