July 30, 1951
Code 370

Mr. Samuel J. Hunnicutt
Tapoco, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Hunnicutt:

Referring to your letter of July 15, we regret that it is not within the scope of Defense Minerals Administration to make loans or give assistance for general prospect work.

It is necessary for an applicant to own or have a lease on a specific property before making an application for a loan or other forms of assistance.

However, we appreciate the general information in your letter.

Sincerely yours,

James Barr
M.P.

James A. Barr, Jr., Chief
Industrial Minerals Branch

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June 29, 1951

~~Mr. Samuel J. Hunnicutt~~
Tapaco
North Carolina

Re: Docket No. DMA-1691X

Dear Mr. Hunnicutt:

Your application for aid for an exploration project in the amount of $100 has been referred to the Copper Branch of the Defense Minerals Administration for consideration.

We are sorry that we cannot take any action on your application because you have not presented a specific exploration project as required by the Regulations. If you wish to obtain government aid to explore or develop a prospect it will be necessary for you to plan a definite program of work, estimate the costs, and then provide a map of your prospect showing the places where the work is to be done. It will also be necessary that you be in position to share half the cost of the work if it is a copper prospect.

Before any application can be processed it is necessary to have all of the information requested on Form MF-103.

For your information we are enclosing copies of two press releases dated April 11, 1951 and May 14, 1951, and a copy of the Regulations, MO-5. As you will notice from a study of these data, no provision has been made to supply funds for general prospecting.

Very truly yours,

Tom Lyon

Tom Lyon, Director
Supply Division

Enclosures

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

June 21, 1951

Mr. Samuel J. Hunnicutt
Tapoco, North Carolina

Subject: DMA-1691X
Re: Exploration Loan

My dear Mr. Hunnicutt:

Receipt is acknowledged of your application and attachments of May 29, 1951 for an exploration loan under the Defense Production Act of 1950.

The application was assigned Docket Number DMA-1691X and was referred to Mr. J. B. Gowen, Chief, Copper Branch on June 18, 1951.

In any future correspondence relating to your application, kindly refer to DMA-1691X.

Sincerely yours,

LANDON F. STROBEL

Landon F. Strobel
Executive Secretary

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Form MF-103
(April 1951)

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION

Budget Bureau No. 42-R1035.
Approval expires 6-30-51.

APPLICATION FOR AID FOR AN EXPLORATION PROJECT PURSUANT TO MINERAL ORDER 5, UNDER DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT OF 1950

DO NOT FILL IN THIS BLOCK

Docket No. DMA-1691 X

Date received 6/13/51

Participation

Mr. Samuel J. Hunnicutt
Tapoco,
North Carolina

Name and address of applicant

Date May 29, 1951

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Date of application May 29, 1951

Estimated cost $100.00

Mineral or metal Copper, Zinc, Sulfur

Percentage of Government participation

Location of mine Graham County, N.C.
3 Mi. from Robbinsville, County seat.

Date of filing MF-100

DMA Docket Number, if available

INSTRUCTIONS

Read Mineral Order 5, Regulations Governing Government Aid in Defense Projects, before completing this application. Submit four signed copies of the application to Defense Minerals Administration, Department of the Interior, Washington 25, D. C., or to the nearest field executive officer thereof, with your name and address on each sheet of the application and all accompanying papers. If any question is inapplicable, or if you cannot answer it, so state on the form. Where the space provided for answer is insufficient, answer on a separate sheet, annex it to the application form, and refer to it in space for answer. If the application is approved, you will be presented with an exploration project contract on Form MF-200, for your signature.

THE APPLICANT

*1. Is applicant an individual, partnership, or corporation?
*2. If a partnership, state names and addresses of partners.
*3. If a corporation, state names and addresses of officers, directors, and five largest stockholders.
*4. Describe the mining and general business experience of (*a*) the applicant, and (*b*) the person or persons who will manage the project.
*5. Are you the owner or the lessee of the property?
6. If owner, state what claims, liens, or encumbrances, if any, are against the property.
7. If lessee, attach a copy of the lease and state if it is in good standing.

NOTE.—It will be necessary to procure and attach to the exploration project contract agreements of claimants, lienors, encumbrances and lessors subordinating their interests in the property to the interest of the Government under the contract.

8. Furnish current financial statement, showing assets and liabilities, and a profit and loss statement.
9. How much money is applicant prepared to invest in proposed project? Is it sufficient to pay your part of the cost of the project as detailed in question 23 of this application form, in accordance with the regulations on Government participation (Section 9 of Mineral Order 5)?

*If you have already answered these questions on MF-100, you are not required to answer the questions for this application.

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THE PROPERTY

10. (*a*) Give a description of the real property that will be in any way involved in the exploration project, including any existing mine or operating property.
    (*b*) Give the legal description of the exact parcel, plot, or area upon which the exploration is to be conducted.

    NOTE.—If both areas are the same, so state. The only obligation to repay the Government is from the net earnings from any commercial discovery made in the area specified in (*b*) above in which the exploration is to be conducted, and the expenditure of funds which may be charged as costs of the project must be limited to that area or to work necessary to perform the exploration in that area.

*11. State the present and former names of the property, if any.

*12. State, in detail, the location of the property with reference to towns, railroads, roads, shipping points, including distances and directions and kinds and conditions of roads.

*13. State source and quantity of water available for operations and its sufficiency at all seasons.
State amount of power to be used, rate per hour or other cost, and source.

*14. Describe any existing useable facilities, equipment, buildings, or structure now on the property that will be devoted to the exploration work.

15. State in detail how the ore could be shipped and how and where milled.

*16. History:
    (*a*) Give a statement, as complete as possible, of previous exploration, development, operation, and production of property, with reasons for any past suspensions of operations.
    (*b*) State briefly the known history and production of adjoining and neighboring properties.
    (*c*) Furnish any available (private) reports that may apply to this application, including results of mine examinations, recommended exploration and development, and metallurgical investigations.

*17. Production:
    (*a*) If mine is in production, furnish the following information:

	Tons per day	*Grade or analysis*	*Cost per ton*	*Net value per ton*
(1) Mining				
(2) Milling				
(3) Shipped or sold				

*18. Ore or mineral reserves: (If property is or has been operating.)
    (*a*) Describe the ore or mineral deposits briefly.
    (*b*) Submit available maps and assay data.
    (*c*) Give estimated tonnage and grade of each class of ore reserves.

19. State any conditions or circumstances regarding the property not sufficiently brought out by the foregoing questions.

THE EXPLORATION

20. For what mineral or minerals and for what types of deposits and ores will the exploration be conducted?

21. Describe briefly, but concisely, the proposed work and the estimated time required to complete it.

    NOTE.—The Government will not participate in a project that will require more than 2 years to complete.

22. Furnish statement of the geological basis of the project with particular emphasis on factors leading the operator to expect the finding of commercial ore bodies. This statement should be accompanied by supporting maps such as geological maps, maps of the proposed openings and assay maps, sample lists, and other pertinent data.

THE REQUIREMENTS AND COSTS

23. Tabulate in the form of an itemized statement with a sum for each item the estimated requirements and costs of the project so that the total will give the estimated cost of the project in which the Government will participate, as follows:
    (*a*) Labor, by numbers and classes (miners, muckers, millmen, etc.), with wages of each.
    (*b*) Supervisors, by numbers and positions, with salaries of each.
    (*c*) Cost of necessary repairs to existing facilities, structures, and buildings.
    (*d*) Cost of necessary installation or construction of additional facilities, structures, and buildings.
    (*e*) Cost of items of equipment, not now owned by the applicant which must be purchased for operations at a cost of $50 or more each.
    (*f*) Cost of rental for equipment which the operator proposes to rent.
    (*g*) Rental value of items of equipment which the operator now owns and which will be devoted to the work.
    (*h*) Cost of materials and supplies, including items of equipment costing less than $50 each.
    (*i*) Cost of power, water, utilities, and any other items not provided for above.

24. Furnish a time schedule of the project, stated in terms of months after project is approved, showing progress expected to be accomplished and the money expected to be spent.

CERTIFICATION

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

---------- (Name of company)

By ---------- (Signature of authorized official)

---------- (Date)

---------- (Title)

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.

*Same as footnote on page 1.

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~~LANDON F. STROUD~~
Mr. Lawen
Lma-1691 X
Tapoco N.C.

June 6, 1957

United States Department of the Interior:
U.S. Bureau of mines
Washington, 25 D.C.

Gentleman:

I've filled out a blank of the prospect of a mineral that I am working on in Graham County, N.C. Its located close to Robbinsville, N.C. It shows up to be awful rich of copper and other minerals. The vein shows up to be 150 ft. wide ~~all~~ There are plenty good ~~signs~~ signs of mineral

showing all around about
this vein. I can lease this
mineral project it is owned
by a man named Sharpe.
I want to be made able to
prospect lots of prospects
I know of. Feldspar and
mica and Kinknight
and Kolleane and aluminum
Clobeat and Garnet and
crystal some of these
project in Buncombe County
N.C. and some in Haywood
County, N.C. and madison
County N.C. + Yancy County N.C.
macon County N.C. Sevier
County, Tenn. If the Bureau
of Mines wants to help me

explore this I will show them something good. If you want my Reputation ask Mr. & Mrs. Claude Wells of Leicester, N.C. and Bascombe Lamar of Luxford Leicester N.C. and Maryville Saving and Loan Bank of Maryville Tenn. and Mr. Jerkins of Maville, Tenn. Mr. Sam Henry of Townsend Tenn. Mr. Lee Stinnett of Maryville Tenn Route 9. Mr. Edd Ingram of Robbinsville N.C. Mr. Howell of Robbinsville Bank. Robbinsville N.C. Mr. Hardy Clark of Hillsboro N.C.

Mr. I hope to hear pretty soon what I might do. If my writing is all in vain I'd like to know it but I know of lots of good prospects I would like to show it to the Government. all of them while I am living. I cannot do it though with in my self I am at Tapoco N.C. at this time Hope not to be detained long so I can get to doing some thing.

I am yours very truly
Samuel J. Hannicutt
Tapoco N.C.