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OCT 23 1956

Mr. Graham D. Monroe
2912 Alhambra Circle
Coral Gables, Florida

Re: Docket No. DMEA-4397-rutile
Graham D. Monroe
Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Dare, Gates, Hyde, Martin, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Pender, Perquimans, Pitt, Onslow, Tyrell, and Washington Counties, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Monroe:

In a letter dated October 11, 1956, Mr. H. W. Straley, III, P. O. Box 68, Princeton, West Virginia, has indicated the desire to discontinue negotiations for exploration assistance on the subject properties.

In accordance with Mr. Straley's request, we are considering the subject application withdrawn and will place it in our inactive file.

We wish to thank you for your interest in the Defense Minerals Program and for bringing your properties to our attention.

Sincerely yours,

C. O. Mittendorf

Administrator

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Mr. H. W. Straley, III (2)

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C. 600

October 19, 1956

Memorandum

To: Mr. Allen S. Dakan, Chief
Operations Control and Statistics Division

From: Lawrence G. Houk, Chief
Nonmetallic Minerals Division

Subject: Withdrawal of application - Docket No. DMEA-4397-rutile
Graham D Monroe
Various Counties, North Carolina

In accordance with the desires of Mr. H. W. Straley, III, P. O. Box 68, Princeton, West Virginia, a representative of the applicant, the subject application is considered withdrawn and will be placed in our inactive file.

James Hopkins

GEOLOGY GEOPHYSICS

H. W. STRALEY

P. O. Box 68

PRINCETON, WEST VIRGINIA

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Oct., 11, 1956

U. S. Department of the Interior
Defense Minerals Exploriation Administration,
Washington, 25, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Re: Docket #600 DMES 4397 Rutel
Graham D. Monroe
Reply: Yours 2nd & 4th
Att. Mr. Lawrence G. Hauk
Mr. C. D. Mittendorf

We note (2d) that consent to lein may be postponed until remainder of application has been prepared and expense thereof incurred. Under existing circumstances, we cannot advise our client to undertake this expenditure. Among other items, we do not care to rebid the job ourselves or have our client ask others to do so without additional data. The proposal is novel, we must admit. Without express information as to our previous failures to comply, we are not sure our corrections will meet with approval. This might end in 2 or 3 rebiddings by all contractors concerned, as well as absolesance of figure used in bids. We are sure that you can appreciate our view point in this regard.

We have done enough work to assure ourselves that titanium is present in the sands beneath the Sound. We do not know, however, extent and/or tenor of ore. Although we do not know formation contacts, site of veins (if any, and we doubt their existance) beneath the water, these data are not essentially a part of prospection, or exploration for that matter (4th). Their determination, and checking by your organization, is an undertaking of more magnitude than is justified by the utility of a loan because the work would have been done by the time such a project were completed.

We have gone far enough with you to realize that your program is not geared to a project of this kind. We will, therefore, with your permission, break off negotiations and seek venture capitol elsewhere.

We want you to realize that this decision is reached not in a feeling of pique, but rather to facilitate your handling of other and more feasible projects, as well as permitting us to concentrate on other and more profitable facets of our clients' needs.

Thanking you for your time and patience, we are,

Yours very truly,

S/C

H. W. Straley

By H W Straley III

H. W. Straley III

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DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C. 600

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Mr. H. W. Straley, III
P. O. Box 68
Princeton, West Virginia

Re: Docket No. DMEA-4397-Rutile
Graham D. Monroe
Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Dare, Gates, Hyde, Martin, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Pender, Perquimans, Pitt, Onslow, Tyrell, and Washington Counties, North Carolina

Attention: Mr. M. L. Fuller

Dear Mr. Straley:

Reference is made to your letter of August 28, 1956, stating that you are compiling a regional geologic map of eastern North Carolina and a discussion of the coastal plain geology.

Although the facts you have presented in your application and subsequent letters are too meager to make a firm determination, it would appear from the large area you have selected that the work would be in the nature of prospecting rather than exploration. This is partly borneout by your statement that, "We have no information on the formation contacts, veins (if any) ore bearing beds below that water body." Thus, it would appear that the regional prospecting by your client does not come within the scope of the DMEA program. However, if he has specific areas that contain evidence of indicated or undeveloped sources of rutile, we would be pleased to receive an amended application to cover these specific areas. His application must contain sufficient factual data such as assays, geologic or engineering reports or other technical information that will justify a field examination.

You will find enclosed five copies of our Mineral Form 103 which you have requested. In the case where all of the work is to be contracted it is necessary that you secure three written bids from independent contractors, based upon the units of work to be performed.

R.C.G.

A thorough search of our records shows that the original application arrived in this office without a lease attached. We would appreciate receiving a duplicate copy of the lease which we presume is with the State of North Carolina. It would be my suggestion that you do not go to the expense of completing fifteen separate applications until such time as the first application is made adequate.

Concerning the consent to lien, we have advised you by a previous letter that the submission of these forms may be delayed until the application and lease have been analysed. I shall be pleased to have my staff discuss this matter with you when you are in Washington.

Sincerely yours,

C. O. Mittendorf

Administrator

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Defense Mineral Exploration Administration

Interior Department 19th At Virginia Ave. N. W.

Washington, 25, D. C.

Attention, Mr. Mittendorf

Gentlemen:

RE: Docket No. DMEA, Graham D. Monroe
Beaufort, Bertie
Camden, Dare
Gates, Hyde, Martin
Pamlico, Pasquobank
Pender, Perquimans
Pitt, Onslow, Tyrell,
Washington Counties, N. C.

In reply to yours of August 24, 1956. We can now have copies made of all pertinent information on the geology of the Atlantic Coastal Plain, including discussions of sedimentation along that coast, together with geological map of Eastern N. C. (item 4C)

We can have the required number of copies of the map, as it appears in the lease, prepared, together with copies of such geological cross sections as appear in the literature of the Atlantic Coastal plain showing the logs of such oil wells as have been drilled in the area insofar as they have been published.

We cannot of course, give you a geological map of the bottom of Pamlico Sound. If we could, we do not think a loan would be necessary for the exploration would have been done. We have no information on the formation contacts, veins (if any) ore bearing beds below that water body. If you require same before exploration, please advise so that we will be spared the expense of preparing this voluminous discussion of coastal plain geology and you the trouble of reading it.

If I recall correctly, the wording of your form did not request a definite estimate of costs if the work was contracted. In view of the fact that you did not

enclose any copies of this form that you request. I have no way of checking this matter exactly until you have forwarded them.

You set up, I think some 8 cost categories, the first of which is Independent Contractors" and specify very clearly to a layman that contract labor, materials, equipment, repairs, building, miscellaneous items are NOT to be included in the further numbered categories.

Before going to the trouble of rebidding this contract, we would like a definite statement on this item.

The lease attached, made a part of the original application, did describe the property as adequately as we have a description. Will you please indicate what more description is necessary than by bearing (N-S,EW), latitude, longitude, (as per our current understanding) county lines, etc. In view of the fact that the Congress did not specify as distinct boundaries as we have given you, when they handed tidelands back to the states, I fail to see how a creature of the Congress can demand that we be more specific than the original bill. Will you please, be as specific as you can on this item.

We realize, of course, that this is probably one of the two first application of this kind to be processed by you. It certainly is for us. We hope, therefore, that you will be as specific as you can in order to save us both time.

There is no point, whatsoever, in our filing another application, either for the general project, or for fifteen separate ones until you have made up your mind which you desire. Will you therefore, give this matter serious consideration. In the meantime, we will think of how we can prepare the fifteen separate applications using the same information.

Of course a second reading of our letter has already convinced you that we do not " have the impression that the language of a consent to lien must be a part of every mining lease" You have, however, answered our question (as have our own attorneys) by indicating that the Government will require separate consent of lease on your forms, even if the leaser were to make a Government Consent of leases form a part of each lease.

The second subparagraph of this numbered paragraph says in effect that you do not know what form of consent is to be used when a state is involved. If you cannot find out, please let us know at once so that we can advise client to seek financing elsewhere.

In view of the fact that our ondy copy of the lease is in your hands, we must secure additional ones for any further application.

I hope to be in D.C. during the early part of September, will try to see some one in your office relative to this matter. Perhaps an off-the-record discussion may serve to clarify,

We might as well face the fact that this is an unusual application. It is tidelands; it is submarine; it involves an area (under Pamlico sound) where no geological work has been done; no adequate maps of such sub sea areas exist. Now, these are facts. We can, perhaps, produce generalize cross section guesses at sub-sea geological maps, logs of Jersey oil wells (I think Spangler published some), and similar material. None of this changes the basic facts.

Our client wants answer not because he is cantakerous, but because he wants to get to work. If it is to take thousands of dollars and months of time, I do not think he has his answer.

So. lets sit down face to face and talk it out for a few hours. We may not arrive at an answer in terms of the governmental frame work, but we will have something concrete upon which to advise our client.

S/C

Sincerely yours,

M. L. Zieller

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C. 600

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OCT 2 1956

Mr. H. W. Straley, III
P. O. Box 68
Princeton, West Virginia

Re: Docket No. DMEA-4397-Rutile
Graham D. Monroe
Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Dare, Gates, Hyde, Martin, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Pender, Perquimans, Pitt, Onslow, Tyrell, and Washington Counties, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Straley:

Reference is made to the Graham D. Monroe application for exploration assistance and your letter of September 22, 1956, requesting 400 copies of Mineral Form 205, Consent to Lien and Subordination Agreement.

Please be advised that for the present it will not be necessary to submit the MF-205, Consent to Lien and Subordination Agreement forms until an adequate application and lease have been received in this office and analyzed.

Please complete the application forms we have forwarded to you and give the reasons you think there is a probability of making a significant discovery of rutile. Describe in detail the type of work you propose to do, and describe in detail the type of equipment you plan to use. Reply in detail to each of the questions in the subheading under question No. 6, Estimate of Costs.

Upon receipt of the above-requested information and a copy of the lease from the State of North Carolina, we will continue to process your application.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence G. Houk, Chief
Nonmetallic Minerals Division

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September 22, 1956

Mr. Allen S. Dacan, Chief
Operations Control and Statistics Division
United States Department of the Inferior
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dacan:

We have your letter of September 7 in which you question the need for 500 copies of Form MF-205.

We have at hand today some 18 copies of this form, derived from all sources. If your Mr. Hauk is correct in his possible inference that the state of North Carolina is to be required to sign consent to lend for lease in each of the 16 counties, it is perfectly obvious that we do not have enough copies for that one purpose alone. In addition there are some 50-odd landowners in the other project for which we are responsible for filing application.

Adding these two figures together we came up with 66 consents that must be signed. If we recall correctly five copies must be furnished to the government and one ~~written~~ retained in the client's office, making a total of six. If we multiply 66 by 6 our arithmetic shows that 396 copies are needed. You are, therefore, correct that we may not need 500 copies of this form. Unless our arithmetic is in serious error, however, we need close to 400 copies or about 380 more than we have in stock. As originally intended, it was the intention of others of our clients to apply the projects on which they hold or will hold lease from at least a dozen landowners. Performing the same calculation here it would appear that our request for 500 copies is not very far out of line.

Even supposing that we request the clients to file direct with you instead of doing that work for them as part of our service, we are committed to the 400 copies apparently.

Yours very truly,

H. W. STRALEY

By H. W. Straley, III

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SEP - 7 1956

Mr. H. W. Straley
P. O. Box 68
Princeton, West Virginia

Dear Mr. Straley:

We believe that you were sent a few copies of form MF-205 as requested in your letter of August 7. In case they were not received, we are sending you a few more with this letter.

We question your need for 500 copies of this form since it is to be used only in connection with contracts for exploration.

Sincerely yours,

ALLEN S. DAKAN

Allen S. Dakan, Chief
Operations Control and
Statistics Division

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Minerals Exploration Administration
Department of Interior
Washington 25, D. C.

Gentlemen:

On or about August 7, we requested some 500 copies of your form MF205, Will you be so kind as to forward them to us at your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly,

H. W. Straley III

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

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AUG 24 1956

Mr. N. W. Straley, III
P. O. Box 68
Princeton, West Virginia

Re: Docket No. DMEA-4397 (Rutile)
Graham D. Monroe
Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Dare, Gates, Hyde, Martin, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Pender, Perquimans, Pitt, Onslow, Tyrell, and Washington Counties, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Straley:

Reference is made to your letters dated August 6 and 7, 1956. Your first letter requested specific instructions for furnishing information desired by the Government.

1. Please refer to the Applicant's copy of the application form and you will note that certain items of information were completely omitted. If a copy was not retained, you will note from the blank forms sent you with Mr. Houk's letter of August 1, 1956, that:

(a) Item 4(c) of the application form states:

"Describe the geologic features of the property, including mineralization, type of deposit (vein, bedded, etc.), and your reasons for wishing to explore. Illustrate with maps or sketches. Send with your application (but not necessarily as a part of it) any geologic or engineering report, assay maps, or other technologic information you may have, indicating on each whether you require its return to you."

None of this information was set forth in or submitted with the application.

(b) Item 5(b) of the application form states:

"Describe fully the proposed work, including a map or sketch of the property showing a plan (and cross sections if needed) of any present mine workings, and the location of the proposed exploration work as related to such features as contacts, veins, ore-bearing beds, etc."

This information and map were omitted from the application form submitted.

(c) Item 6, Estimate of costs, requires a breakdown of costs under eight separate items, under headings (a) through (h). This breakdown was omitted from the application form and should be furnished in as much detail as possible under the appropriate headings.

2. The application did not describe the land for which exploration aid is desired. Because of this fact some confusion may have arisen as to requirements of the Government in connection with the Consent to Lien in the event a contract is approved for an exploration project. In addition, as we have no detailed information concerning the nature of the project which is proposed, we cannot comment at this time as to the understanding, expressed in your letter of August 6, "that a separate application must be made for each county of the leasehold." We had no idea that you contemplated, at one time, projects involving coastal land adjoining 15 separate counties.

Since we lack necessary information from the Applicant concerning the nature of the project you have in mind, we cannot advise you at this time respecting the scope of the Consent to Lien required by the Government, if one is available from the State of North Carolina. However, if you think it will save you time, and a Consent to Lien is available from the State for all the State land you contemplate leasing, you could use one Consent-to-Lien form (with the appropriate number of copies), by referring on the face of the form to an annex containing references to all the land and attaching the annex to the Consent to Lien. This one Consent-to-Lien form could suffice for applications concerning all the land which it covered.

It appears from your August 7 letter that you have the impression that the language of a Consent to Lien must be a part of every mining lease. This is not so. We require the Consent to Lien to be executed on our form and submitted to the Government in connection with the exploration project contract independent of the undertakings in the lease, although we do require that a copy of the lease be furnished to us as well. In this regard, although your August 6 letter stated that a copy of the lease was enclosed with the application, a diligent search here fails to uncover such a copy and we require, therefore, that a copy be submitted.

We shall be pleased to give further consideration to the application as soon as we are furnished with sufficient information upon which to base it.

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Copy to: DMEA Docket ~~(2)~~
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Op. Comm.
Field Team, Reg. V.
Mr. Kiilsgaard
Mr. Dietrich
Mr. Houk
Mr. Dwyer Mr. Rubin chron.

Sincerely yours,

C. O. Mittendorf

Administrator

H. W. STRALEY

P. O. Box 68

PRINCETON, WEST VIRGINIA

6 August, 1956

Mr. Laurence G. Houk, Chief
Non-metallic Minerals Division
Defense Minerals Exploration Administration
Washington, 25, D. C. 600

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Dear Mr. Houk:

Re: Docket No. DMEA - 4397 - ~~mica~~ RUTILE
Graham D. Monroe
a leasehold
Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Dare, Gates, Hyde, Martin, Pamlico, Pasquatank, Pender, Perquamans, Pitt, Onslow, Tyrrell, and Washington counties, N. C.

You are very kind to inform us that we have failed to furnish adequate information on the Graham D. Monroe application, but you failed to point out where we have not given sufficient data. We refrain from ammendment pending instructions from you relative to deficiencies.

We did enclose a copy of the lease in our earlier application, which should, we think, be quite sufficient.

We had been informed verbally by someone in your agency that a performance bond would have to replace Consent to Lein whenever a state was lessor. We will now attempt to secure Consent from the State of North Carolina at the next meeting of its Conservation Board.

You state that the Consent, if signed, must contain the name of the county. By this statement, we understand that a separate application must be made for each county of the leasehold. You will, therefore, please have forwarded to us 85 additional copies for the remaining 14 counties for which no applications are enclosed. In addition, we presume that your regulations require that the State sign some 90 Consent forms, only 6 of which were within your envelope.

We had been informed verbally in your agency that recordation is not necessary in a leasehold with a state. Please advise us if we misunderstood this statement as we did the one with reference to performance bond.

In connection with description found in County Recorder's Office, you realize, of course, that no description of

H. W. STRALEY
P. O. Box 68
PRINCETON, WEST VIRGINIA

tidelands is to be found in said Recorder's office outside of Lease with our client, a copy of which instrument was enclosed in our original application, and/or other such leases.

If and when recorded, the instrument in question will have identical descriptions for the entire 15 counties, because the framers of the document did not have in mind breaking it into 15 parts based upon political subdivisions. It will, therefore, be the same for each county and in the instrument.

The preparation of 15 of these applications, indentical with the possible unofficial, unrecorded description of the waters leased in each particular county, together with the Consents, if obtainable, is quite a chore and should not be attempted without some notion of how we failed to answer your querries in our first effort. We await your instructions.

Thanking you for your helpful letter and for the further assistance that we are sure is forthcoming, we are

Yours truly,

H. W. STRALEY

By H. W. Straley, III

H. W. Straley, III

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7 August, 1956

Mr. Laurence G. Houk, Chief
Non-metallic Minerals Division
Defense Minerals Exploration Administration
Department of the Interior
Washington, 25, D. C., 600

Dear Mr. Houk:

Persuant to your literature, correspondence, and conversation, it appears evident that a DMEA "Consent to Lein" or something embracing the same language and ideas must hereafter be made a part of every mining lease.

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Permit me, therefore, to ask:

1. If made a part of said lease, would DMEA require that their forms be signed subsequently?

Lease leases

2. If made a part of such a lease, would copies certified by the proper recording official be adequate in place of individually signed form MF - 205?

No

3. If made a part of such an instrument, will DMEA still require copies of form MF - 205 as well as copies of the lease?

yes.

5 Please forward us some 500 copies of form MF-205, for use as pages of some 30-odd leases we now have under negotiation.

Thanking you for your courtesy, we are

Yours truly,

H. W. STRALEY

By H. W. Straley III

H. W. Straley, III

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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August 2, 1956

Memorandum

To: Lawrence Houk, Director, Nonmetallic Minerals Division, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

From: Bureau of Mines Member, Rutile Commodity Committee

Subject: Application for Assistance, DMEA Docket 4397, Graham D. Monroe, 2912 Alhambra Circle, Coral Gables, Florida

A review of the subject application discloses that no information is given to prove the presence of rutile on the property to be explored. The applicant does not answer question 3a which requests a description of the land including the number of acres which he has leased. He completely ignores question 4c which asks for geologic features, type of deposit, and reasons for wishing to explore. His answer to 4a indicates that he has performed no previous exploration on the land. It is possible that the applicant desires money for prospecting rather than for exploration or development of reserves.

It is recommended that this application be returned to the applicant with a request for additional information regarding the items discussed above. In its present form the application appears to cover prospecting and should be denied.

The application is returned herewith.

Jesse A. Miller

Jesse A. Miller

Attachment

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Surname:

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

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Mr. H. W. Straley, III
P. O. Box 68
Princeton, West Virginia

Re: Docket No. DMEA-4397-mics
Graham D. Monroe
A leasehold
_____ County, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Straley:

Reference is made to an application for exploration assistance dated June 21, 1956, by Mr. Graham D. Monroe, 2912 Alhambra Circle, Coral Gables, Florida on leasehold in North Carolina.

Please advise the applicant that we are unable to process his application because he has failed to furnish adequate information on the application form and an attachment to that form.

Enclosed are five new copies of the application form. Please request the applicant to complete these forms by furnishing detailed information on all applicable items--using separate sheets of paper if necessary. He should return four completed copies of the form and any attachments to this office and retain one copy for himself.

Since the property is held under a lease, we will require a copy of the lease and a Consent to Lien from the lessors. We are enclosing seven copies of a Consent to Lien. When properly executed, six copies are to be returned to this office with the application. It is essential that the Consent to Lien contain the name of the County, and a legal description of the property as shown in the County Recorder's Office.

Upon receipt of this information, we will continue to process the application.

Sincerely yours,

SIGNED

Lawrence G. Houk, Chief
Nonmetallic Minerals Division

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July 30, 1956

Memorandum

To: L. G. Houk, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

From: W. P. Williams, U. S. Geological Survey

Subject: Review of application, DMEA 4397 (Rutile), Graham D. Monroe, Coral Gables, Florida.

In a brief, poorly prepared application, the applicant proposes to explore for rutile, zircon, ilmenite, and monazite 'somewhere in North Carolina.'

The application does not contain enough information to permit worthwhile review. The following principal items are lacking in the application:

1. A concise, accurate, legal description of the land to be explored.

2. A description of the geologic features of the property.

3. A description of the proposed work - with maps.

4. A detailed estimate of the costs.

The applicant should be advised that further processing of the application cannot be pursued until the above additional information has been submitted.

W. P. Williams

W. P. Williams

July 25, 1956

Mr. Graham D. Monroe
2912 Alhambra Circle
Coral Gables, Florida

Subject: DMEA-4397
Re: Exploration Assistance

Dear Mr. Monroe

The receipt of your application dated June 21, 1956 for exploration assistance under the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, is hereby acknowledged.

Your application has been assigned Docket Number DMEA-4397 and referred to the Nonmetallic Mineral Division.

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

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Adams, Chief
Operations Control and
Statistics Division

MF-103
(Revised April 1952)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION

Form Approved. Budget Bureau No. 42-R1035.2.

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APPLICATION FOR AID IN AN EXPLORATION PROJECT, PURSUANT TO DMEA ORDER 1, UNDER THE DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT OF 1950, AS AMENDED

Not to be filled in by applicant

Docket No. 4397
Metal or Mineral Rutile
Date Received 7-25-56
Estimated Cost $90,000.00
Participation (Government %)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. *Name of applicant.*—(*a*) State here your full legal name, in the form in which you will wish to contract, and your mailing address: Graham D. Monroe
2912 Alhambra Circle
Coral Gables, Fla.

(*b*) If other than an individual, add to your name above whether a corporation, partnership, etc., and the name of the State in which incorporated or otherwise organized.

(*c*) If a corporation, add to above statement, titles, names and addresses of officers.

(*d*) If a partnership, add to the above statement the names and addresses of all partners.

2. *General.*—Read DMEA Order 1, "Government Aid in Defense Exploration Projects," before completing this application. Submit this application and all accompanying papers in quadruplicate (four copies), with your name and address on each sheet of the application and on all accompanying papers. Where sufficient space is not provided on the form for all required information, state it on an accompanying paper, with a reference in each case to the instruction to which it refers by number. Comply with all applicable instructions; or, if not applicable, so state. File the application with Defense Minerals Exploration Administration, Department of the Interior, Washington 25, D. C., or with the nearest field executive officer thereof.

3. *Applicant's property rights.*—(*a*) State the legal description of the land upon which you wish to explore, including all land which you possess or control that may be benefited by the exploration, and excluding any land or interest in land which is not to be included in the exploration project contract

(*b*) State any mine name by which the property is known.

(*c*) State your interest in the land, whether owner, lessee, purchaser under contract, or otherwise Lessee

(*d*) If you are not the owner, submit with this application a copy of the lease, contract, or other document under which you control the property.

(*e*) If you own the land, describe any liens or encumbrances on it none

(*f*) If the land consists of unpatented claims, add to the description above, the book and page numbers for each recorded location notice.

4. *Physical description.*—(*a*) Describe in detail any mining or exploration operations which have been or now are being conducted upon the land, including existing mine workings and production facilities. State your interest, if any, in such operations. Also describe accessibility of mine workings for examination purposes. none

(*b*) State past and current production, and ore reserves, if any, giving quantities and grades. none

(*c*) Describe the geologic features of the property, including mineralization, type of deposit (vein, bedded, etc.), and your reasons for wishing to explore. Illustrate with maps or sketches. Send with your application (but not necessarily as a part of it) any geologic or engineering report, assay maps, or other technologic information you may have, indicating on each whether you require its return to you.

(*d*) State the facts with respect to the accessibility of the project: Access roads, distances to shipping, supply and residence points. note attachment

(*e*) State the availability of manpower, materials, supplies, equipment, water, and power.

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5. *The exploration project.*—(*a*) State the mineral or minerals for which you wish to explore Rutil ilmenite, monazite, zircon

(*b*) Describe fully the proposed work, including a map or sketch of the property showing a plan (and cross sections if needed) of any present mine workings, and the location of the proposed exploration work as related to such features as contacts, veins, ore-bearing beds, etc.

(*c*) The work will start within 70 or 520 days and be completed within 15 or 25 months from the date of an exploration project contract. (depending upon season of year during which the contract is delivered)

(*d*) State the operating experience and background of the applicant with relation to the ability to carry out such exploration project, and also that of the person or persons who will supervise the operations. Note attachment 2(d)

6. *Estimate of costs.*—Furnish a detailed estimate of the costs of the proposed work (you will have to use a separate sheet), under the following headings. Add the totals under all headings to give the estimated total cost of the project: note 6

(*a*) *Independent contracts.*—(Note.—If the applicant does not intend to let any of the work to contractors, write "none" after this item. To the extent that the work is to be contracted, do not repeat the cost of the contract-work in subsequent items.) State the cost of any proposed independent contracts for the performance of all or any part of the work, expressed in terms of units of work (such as per foot of drilling, per foot of drifting, per hour of bulldozer operations, per cubic yard of material moved, etc.).

(*b*) *Labor, supervision, consultants.*—Include an itemized schedule of numbers, classes and rates of wages, salaries or fees for necessary labor, supervision and engineering and geological consultants.

(*c*) *Operating materials and supplies.*—Furnish an itemized list, including items of equipment costing less than $50 each, and power, water and fuel.

(*d*) *Operating equipment.*—Furnish an itemized list of any operating equipment to be rented, purchased, or which is owned and will be furnished by the Operator, with the estimated rental, purchase price, or suggested use-allowance based on present value, as the case may be.

(*e*) *Rehabilitation and repairs.*—Furnish a detailed list showing the cost of any necessary initial rehabilitation or repairs of existing buildings, installations, fixtures, and movable operating equipment, now owned by the Operator and which will be devoted to the exploration project.

(*f*) *New buildings, improvements, installations.*—Furnish a detailed list showing the cost of any necessary buildings, fixed improvements, or installations to be purchased, installed or constructed for the benefit of the exploration project.

(*g*) *Miscellaneous.*—Furnish a detailed list showing the cost of repairs to and maintenance of operating equipment (not including initial rehabilitation or repairs of the Operator's equipment), analytical work, accounting, workmen's compensation and employers' liability insurance, and payroll taxes.

(*h*) *Contingencies.*—Give an estimate of any necessary allowances for contingencies not included in the costs stated above.

NOTE.—No items of general overhead, corporate management, interest, taxes (other than payroll and sales taxes), or any other indirect costs, or work performed or costs incurred before the date of the contract, should be included in the estimate of costs.

7. (*a*) Are you prepared to furnish your share of the cost of the proposed project in accordance with the regulations on Government participation (Sec. 7, DMEA No. 1)? Yes

(*b*) How do you propose to furnish your share of the costs? Check

☑ Money ☐ Use of equipment owned by you ☐ Other

Explain in detail on acompanying paper.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, whether as an individual, corporate officer, partner, or otherwise, both in his own behalf and acting for the applicant, certifies that the information set forth in this form and accompanying papers is correct and complete, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Dated June 21, 1956

Graham D. Mauro
(Applicant)

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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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4. (d) The following U. S. highways terminate at or pass within a mile of leasehold: 17, 64, 264, 158. The following N. C. highways, among others, terminate at, or pass within a mile of the leasehold: 33, 92, 32, 304 and 307. The following seaports lie within a few miles of the leasehold: ~~and/or~~ Morehead City, Belhaven, Swan Quarter, may be secured at any of the above or 100 more towns along the coast.

4. (e) For exploration, crews, and equipment will be taken into the area. Materials and supplies will be purchased locally at any member of the above mentioned cities and/or towns. Water is everywhere present in such quantities as to slow down exploration, power may be secured wherever gasoline or other motor fuel may be purchased, viz, at 100 or more cities or towns adjacent to the leasehold. For development and production, abundant local labor may be used. Other items as above under exploration.

5. 2(d) Sand and gravel business for 30 years. The firm of H. W. Straley, Box 68, Princeton, West Virginia, will be engaged to conduct exploration. The engineer that they will place in charge is licensed in Georgia and West Virginia, and is prepared to secure a North Carolina license if deserved. He holds degrees in both geology and geophysies, in both of which he has worked for years on academic, commercial, and governmental assignments.

6. The entire project will be contracted with H. W. Straley, except that a boat (approximate cost $2500) may be purchased. The time required is estimated at about 60 weeks at a cost of $1500 weekly, with some adjustment made if the boat is purchased by me.

$90.00

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H. W. STRALEY

P. O. Box 68

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Defense Minerals Exploration Administration
Department of the Interior
Washington, 25, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find application for assistance in exploration of a leasehold, in North Carolina, for rutile, and other minerals, in the name of the leaseholder, Graham D. Monroe.

To expedite correspondence, it is suggested that correspondence be directed as above. Collect long distance telephone calls, if necessary, will be received at CHerokee 6145, Atlanta, Georgia, if and when the writer may be reached at that place.

Yours sincerely,

H. W. Straley, III

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