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Mr. W. R. Ransone
P. O. Box 6508
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Dallas, Texas

AUG 10 1951

Re: DMA docket 1752x
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and Catron Counties, N. Mexico

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Yours very truly,

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Mr. J. A. Hanscom
P. O. Box 6508
Medical Center Station
Dallas, Texas

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and Catron Counties, N. Mexico

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July 30, 1951

Memorandum

To: Mr. Weston Bourret

From: Mr. E. T. McKnight

Subject: DMA 1752X - Geochemical Surveys proposed prospecting for tin by geochemical and geophysical methods in the tin bearing area of Sierra and Catron Counties, New Mexico.

I recommend that this application be denied on the grounds that a basic principle justifying the use of geochemical and geophysical prospecting in an area has not been established, namely, that there should be good geologic reason for suspecting workable mineral deposits in the area selected for such study. I believe the character of the tin occurrence in this area is well enough known from direct observation at many points to establish that the most favorable conditions for occurrence, along the zones of alteration connected with steeply dipping fracture zones in rhyolite, can produce at best only scattered stringers containing tin but so widely separated as to hold no hope for profitable recovery even at exhorbitant premium prices. Geochemical work may show that tin is present over a wide area, but we know that already. We know by visual and exact chemical tests made at many points that have been opened up just how much tin is available and how it occurs, and this knowledge hasn't led us to a workable ore deposit. It seems to me that an analysis of soil weathered from such occurrences would be even less valuable ~~than~~ in searching for workable deposits; and the fact that we would have this diffuse and inexact evidence over a much wider area would be no advantage.

Edwin T. McKnight

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Geologist

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Dr. James Boyd
Defense Minerals Administration
Department of the Interior
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Dr. Boyd:

RE: Proposed Tin Prospecting Program
Catron and Sierra Counties, New Mexico

With this letter I am sending you the following:

1. Syllabus of a tin prospecting program proposed for the area shown on the
2. Map of portions of Catron and Sierra Counties, New Mexico (where non-commercial deposits of tin have been found).
3. Copy of Lease from J. R. Canning to M. H. Marr.
4. Form M F 103.
5. U.S. G. S. Bulletin 922-M (1940)

Although the lease from Canning to Marr (who is associated with us in this joint venture) covers a much larger area, it applies specifically to about 5,000 acres of mineral fee owned by Canning. So far as we have been able to determine, this includes by far the greater part of the privately owned mineral fee in the considered area. The other important mineral rights there are those which are federal or state owned; most of these appear to be open at present.

We have filled out Form M F 103 to the best of our ability. However, due to the shortage of time and the press of circumstances, some of the material requested, particularly (8) "current financial status, etc.", has not been included; this can be supplied upon request. Form M F 100 has not been filled out since the copy originally supplied appears to have been mislaid.

Although they are not attached hereto, we have pertinent case treatments of mineral prospecting by soil analysis and radore; while these case treatments are available for private display and discussion, they have not been released for general distribution. The soil analysis case treatments are across lead deposits (in Missouri) owned by the St. Joseph Lead Company, and were made with that company's permission and approval; we consider that these data are as significant with respect to mineral prospecting as we have found them to be with

respect to petroleum prospecting. The radore case treatments are typical of those surveys which have been made for the St. Joseph Lead Company, the National Lead Company, and the Tennessee Copper Company; in these applications of the radore method, it has demonstrated its noteworthy usefulness in outlining and identifying ore bodies prior to their being test drilled.

I wish to suggest that, at your early convenience, say within the next two weeks, some of our group be granted the privilege of a personal interview with you to discuss further the merits of this proposed tin prospecting program. At that time we will be able to show you, and interested members of your staff, these soil analysis and radore case treatments which, in our considered judgment, illustrate the applicability of these methods to the tin prospecting program which we are proposing, and justify your serious consideration thereof.

Very truly yours,

W. R. Ransone

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cc - By regular mail less copy
of lease and U.S.G.S. Bulletin
922-M (1940) and less Form M F 103

cc - M. H. Marr

cc - J. M. Forgotson

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Defense Minerals Administration
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LANSON F. SHEW
Secretary

THE APPLICANT

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Mineral or metal Tin

Percentage of Government participation 90%

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Dr. James Boyd
Defense Minerals Administration
Department of the Interior
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Dr. Boyd:

RE: Proposed Tin Prospecting Program
Catron and Sierra Counties, New Mexico

With this letter I am sending you the following:

1. Syllabus of a tin prospecting program proposed for the area shown on the
2. Map of portions of Catron and Sierra Counties, New Mexico (where non-commercial deposits of tin have been found).
3. Copy of Lease from J. R. Canning to M. H. Marr.
4. Form M F 103.
5. U S.G. S.Bulletin 922-M (1940)

Although the lease from Canning to Marr (who is associated with us in this joint venture) covers a much larger area, it applies specifically to about 5,000 acres of mineral fee owned by Canning. So far as we have been able to determine, this includes by far the greater part of the privately owned mineral fee in the considered area. The other important mineral rights there are those which are federal or state owned; most of these appear to be open at present.

We have filled out Form M F 103 to the best of our ability. However, due to the shortage of time and the press of circumstances, some of the material requested, particularly (8) "current financial status, etc.", has not been included; this can be supplied upon request. Form M F 100 has not been filled out since the copy originally supplied appears to have been mislaid.

Although they are not attached hereto, we have pertinent case treatments of mineral prospecting by soil analysis and radore; while these case treatments are available for private display and discussion, they have not been released for general distribution. The soil analysis case treatments are across lead deposits (in Missouri) owned by the St. Joseph Lead Company, and were made with that company's permission and approval; we consider that these data are as significant with respect to mineral prospecting as we have found them to be with

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I wish to suggest that, at your early convenience, say within the next two weeks, some of our group be granted the privilege of a personal interview with you to discuss further the merits of this proposed tin prospecting program. At that time we will be able to show you, and interested members of your staff, these soil analysis and radore case treatments which, in our considered judgment, illustrate the applicability of these methods to the tin prospecting program which we are proposing, and justify your serious consideration thereof.

Very truly yours,

W. R. Ransone

W. R. Ransone

cc - By regular mail less copy
of lease and U.S.G.S. Bulletin
922-M (1940) and less Form M F 103

cc - M. H. Marr

cc - J. M. Forgotson

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MINING LEASE

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into this the 26th day of June, 19 51, by and between N. H. Moss of Dallas, Texas - - -

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There shall be excluded from this lease any land in which J. R. Canning does not own a mineral interest.

J R C.

minerals; housing employees and any and all other rights and privileges necessary, incident to or convenient for the economical operation of said land and adjoining or neighboring lands operated by Lessee for the above said purposes. The land which is the subject of this lease is situated in the Counties of Sierra and Catron, State of New Mexico, and is described as follows:

2.

This lease shall be for a period of fifteen (15) years from the date hereof (called "primary term"), and as long thereafter as any of the leased substances are or can be produced from said land.

3.

The royalty to be paid to Lessor is one-tenth (1/10) of the value of all mined ore and minerals in its natural state at the mine at the time it is marketed.

4.

Lessee agrees and covenants that within five (5) years from date hereof it will make or cause to be made a geophysical, geochemical, geological or other examination or examinations of the above described land with the right to drill prospect holes, sink shafts and pits on said land for the presence of a deposit or deposits of ores containing one or more of the above described metals, the extent and duration of such examination or examinations to be at the sole discretion and judgment of Lessee.

At the expiration of said five (5) year period Lessee agrees to promptly deliver to Lessor a written recordable release of such portion or portions of the above described land, if any, on which Lessee has made or caused to be made an examination or examinations, as above provided for, and which does not in the good faith opinion of Lessee contain a commercial deposit of any of the substances covered by this lease.

5.

All taxes levied on severance, mining, storing, marketing or reserves of metal bearing ores and minerals shall be due and payable one-tenth (1/10) by Lessor and nine-tenths (9/10) by Lessee. Lessee shall have free use of coal and water from said land for all operations conducted by it hereunder.

6.

If at any time, and from time to time, and for any reason whatsoever Lessee is of the opinion that further mining operations hereunder are not economically feasible, Lessee may discontinue same and pay to Lessor at the rate of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) per year, payable quarterly, commencing ninety (90) days after reassation of such operations, for the time such operations are suspended, and upon such payment it shall be considered that mining operations were conducted on said land continuously during such time or times of suspension.

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Lessee may at any time execute and deliver to Lessor or place of record a release or releases covering any portion or portions of the above described land and thereby surrender this lease as to such portion or portions and be relieved of all obligations as to the acreage surrendered, but all lands so released shall remain subject to easements for rights of way necessary or convenient for Lessee's operations on the land retained by it.

8.

If Lessor owns a less interest in the above described land than the entire interest therein, then the royalty herein provided shall be paid to Lessor only in the proportion which Lessor's interest bears to the entire interest.

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The rights of either party hereunder may be assigned in whole or in part and the provisions hereof shall extend to their heirs, legal representatives, successors, and assigns, but no change or division in ownership of the land or royalties, however accomplished, shall operate to enlarge the obligation or diminish the rights of Lessee. No sale or assignment by Lessor shall be binding on Lessee until Lessee shall be furnished by registered U. S. mail with a certified copy of recorded instrument evidencing same.

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WITNESS the execution hereof the day and year first above written.

J R Canning

M. H. Mark

SINGLE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
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BEFORE ME, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, on this day personally appeared M. H. Mark known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE this the 26th day of June A. D. 1951.

(L. S.)

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