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Re: DMA- 309

Mr. Silas Cordes
Idanha Hotel
Boise, Idaho

Dear Mr. Cordes:

In our letter to you of April 12, signed by Otto Herres, it was pointed out that part of your application (DMA- 309), for Federal aid to explore ~~and develop~~ the Blue Jacket mine, Elko County, Nevada might be eligible for assistance under the exploration program of the Defense Minerals Administration. This program calls for equal participation in exploration costs on the part of the applicant. Explanation of the plan and the necessary forms for making application were sent to you at that time.

As we have not received an application from you under the exploration program, we are transferring your original application for a loan to an inactive file. As explained in our letter of April 12 a straight development or mining loan cannot be approved unless there are adequate proven ore reserves to secure the loan, and your application does not indicate such reserves.

If at some future date you should care to explore your property under the Defense Minerals Administration's program, we will be glad to consider an application from you. We wish to thank you for bringing your property to our attention.

Very truly yours,

Tom Lyon

Tom Lyon, Director
Supply Division

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Copies to Field Team, Region III, Mr. H. C. Miller
Chief, Lead-Zinc Branch
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In reply please refer to DMA-309

Mr. Silas Cordes
Idaho Hotel
Boise, Idaho

Dear Mr. Cordes:

One of the purposes of the Defense Production Act of 1950 is the encouragement of exploration, development and mining of strategic minerals and metals. Where an applicant has proven reserves of strategic materials, Federal aid in mining can be given through procurement contracts for such materials as are in short supply. On the strength of these contracts, the applicant can obtain private financing in most instances.

The program recently approved for encouragement of exploration of strategic materials calls for participation on the part of the applicant. For zinc, lead and copper deposits it will be necessary to match Government funds on an equal basis. Funds advanced by the Government will be considered a loan, to be repaid if the exploration is profitable, but to be canceled if unsuccessful. The details of the plan, explaining the projects that will be eligible for assistance, the terms and schedules of financing, repayment, and other pertinent information, are enclosed.

A review of your application (DMA-309) for financial aid in exploring and developing the Blue Jacket Mine, Mountain City, Nevada indicates that part of your proposal may be considered under this exploration program. Details concerning expenditures that will be considered chargeable to exploration aid will be subject to a final determination by negotiation, but as a preliminary appraisal, we believe that the program will apply to all of your proposal except that part pertaining to or connected with purchase and erection of a mill.

Before we can proceed further with consideration of your application, which may or may not require a field examination, please indicate your willingness to provide your share of the funds needed to carry out the proposed exploration. Any modification of your original proposal that you may wish to make will be considered, but you should be specific concerning the work you wish to undertake.

Very truly yours,

E.J. Lyons:mw
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Copies to: Chief, Lead-Zinc Br.
USGS McKnight
L. B. Moon
R. H. Mote

Enclosures

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PLEASE SEND AIR MAIL THREE COPIES STATEMENT OF FACTS FORMS FOR COMPLETION MY DUPLICATE APPLICATION=

SILAS CORDES 924 MAIN ST BOISE IDA=

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1415 Appraisers Building
630 Sansome Street
San Francisco, Calif.

March 6, 1951

Mr. Silas Cordes
924 Main Street
Boise, Idaho

Reurtel March 6 Our files indicate your application file sent to Washington December 29. Have no copies here so suggest another set be sent to Washington.

H. C. Miller
Regional Director, Bureau of Mines

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HAVE INFORMATION FROM WASHINGTON MY BLUE JACKET MINE LOAN APPLICATION PAPERS CANNOT BE FOUND. WILL YOU TRACE FROM THAT END. REFERENCE YOUR LETTER DEC 29 1950 PLEASE ADVISE IF ANOTHER SET SHULD BE FORWARDED OR WHAT ACTION TO TAKE WIRE ANSWER COLLECT=

SILAS CORDES 924 MAIN BOISE IDAHO=

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THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

December 29, 1950

Memorandum

To: Mr. James Boyd, Administrator,
Defense Minerals Administration, Washington, D. C.

From: Regional Director, Region III

Subject: DMA loan application—Blue Jacket Mine, Mountain City, Nevada. Lead, silver, copper and zinc.
Silas Cordes, Idanha Hotel, Boise, Idaho.

Subject loan application file is attached. The file includes, in addition to the documents itemized on our review sheet headed "Loan Application" the following:

Letter dated December 4, H.C.Miller to Silas Cordes, requesting additional information.
Letter dated December 28, Silas Cordes to H.C.Miller, with photostatic copies of Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Returns for quarters ending June 30, 1950, and September 30, 1950.
Letter dated December 29, H.C.Miller to Silas Cordes, acknowledging his December 28 letter and informing him that his application is being forwarded to Washington.

H. C. MILLER

H. C. Miller
Regional Director, Region III

Attachments (File)

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December 29, 1950

Subject: Blue Jacket Mine
Mountain City, Nevada
RMA Loan Application

Mr. Silas Cordes
Idanha Hotel
Boise, Idaho

Dear Mr. Cordes:

This is to inform you that we have received your December 28 letter with photostatic copies of Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Returns for the quarters ending June 30, 1950, and September 30, 1950, and that all documents in our hands relating to your application for a Government loan are today being forwarded to Mr. James Boyd, Administrator, Defense Minerals Administration, Department of the Interior, Washington 25, D. C., for his consideration.

Sincerely yours,

H. C. Miller
Regional Director, Region III

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LOAN APPLICATION

Silas Cortes, Idanha Hotel, Boise, Idaho

Blue Jacket Mine - Lead, silver, copper and zinc.
Mountain City, Nevada

Letter 10/25/50 Silas Cordes to A. C. Johnson

10/27/50 A. C. Johnson to Silas Cordes

11/8/50 Silas Cordes to H. C. Miller

1. Statement of Fact Forms
2. Letter supplement and Statement of Fact Form
3. Letter Form Engineering Report
4. General Location map
5. Photostatic Copies of Assay Reports
6. Copies of Smelter Settlement Sheets

11/22/50 Silas Cordes to H. C. Miller

A. Claim Map

B. Underground Map of Blue Jacket Mine

Remarks: No substantiating data relative to ore reserves or production costs. Amount of loan or detailed expenditures for which loan requested not stated.