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Memorandum

To: Production Expansion Division

Through: Director, Supply Division

From: Manganese Branch

Subject: DMA-1680 Tc-7296 Necessity Certificate, Manganese
Total cost of facilities $354,751
Combined Metals Reduction Company
118 Felt Building, Salt Lake City, Utah
Property: Ink Flot Plant and Manganese
Flotation Plant, Gardnerton, Nevada.

The subject application for a necessity certificate is recommended for approval by this branch.

The following are our suggested answers to questions 17 and 18 for the report and recommendations:

17. (a) Possible use of the facilities for other than defense purposes at the end of five years will be limited by competition from cheap foreign material.
(b) Any use of the facilities other than for manganese after the emergency is unlikely.
(c) The prospective market for ferro manganese is strong because of heavy demand for defense purposes, but probably will weaken after the emergency when low price imported material is available.
(d) The forced sale of the facilities at the end of five years probably would be low and for scrap only.
(e) It is improbable that the applicant would acquire the facilities regardless of certification and the need of the production for the defense effort.
(f) Inapplicable.

18. All points covered in the foregoing.

We are attaching the docket comprising the following:

1 referral sheet form [illegible]-143

2 forms [illegible]-140 with attached appendix

2 sets detailed costs zinc-float plant

2 sets detailed costs manganese flotation plant

4 copies report and recommendations

1 copy letter from Combined Metals dated May 16, 1951.

George R. Holderer
Chief, Chrome Branch

Attachment

Approved:

Tom Lyon

Director, Supply Division

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