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Memorandum

To: W. H. King, Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Reg. III

From: E. O. Binyon, Rapid City Field Office

Subject: DMA Docket 1407X (tungsten), O. F. Exploration, Inc., Robertson Tungsten Property, Custer County, S. Dak.

Enclosed are copies of all correspondence we have on the subject docket.

E O Binyon
E. O. Binyon

cc: files

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Memorandum

To: Reports and Records Unit

Through: Director, Supply Division

From: Chief, Tungsten Branch

Subject: DMA-1407X O. F. Exploration Company, Inc.
% William Fillmore
Spearfish
South Dakota

Property: Robertson Tungsten
Custer County
South Dakota

Conclusion:

A pit 130 feet long, 30 feet wide, and 30 feet deep produced only 150 units of tungsten. The ore occurs in small amounts in quartz lenses in schist. Due to the nature of the deposit it is extremely doubtful if exploration with a diamond drill would disclose tungsten in commercial quantities.

Recommendation:

The application is denied.

George B. Holderer
Chief, Tungsten Branch

cc: Adm. Reading file
Reports & Records Unit
Mr. Holderer
Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Geehan
Field Team, Region V
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Approved:

/s/ Tom Lyon
Director, Supply Division

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August 20, 1951

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O. F. Exploration Company, Inc.
% Mr. William Fillmore
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In reply please refer to
DMA-1407X

Dear Mr. Fillmore:

Your application has been carefully reviewed in the light of information gained from previous operations on your property. The small production obtained from the open pit operations and the distribution of tungsten in small lenses through the country rock indicate that the chances of finding a minable amount of ore by the exploration you propose are not sufficient to justify a government loan.

Therefore, we must regretfully deny your application.

Very truly yours,

Tom Lyon
Director, Supply Division

T. P. Thayer:ec
August 22, 1951

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