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June 7, 1951

Mr. George H. Lane
25 South Maybell Street
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Re: DMA Docket No. 16, Lead-Zinc
Deep Rock Mining Company

Dear Mr. Lane:

Returned herewith are the applications, maps and reports in accord with the request contained in your letter of May 28, 1951, receipt of which is acknowledged.

Your statement that your application for a loan was denied by this office does not quite cover the situation, since further consideration of it was held pending the results and findings of a proposed $10,000,000 exploration program, in which you volunteered to furnish $5,000 provided DMA supplied an equal amount.

A representative of the local DMA Field Team was requested to assist you in the preparation of an application for an exploration contract, and it is assumed that you have discussed this matter with him.

As no application for an exploration contract has been received by this office from you, it is assumed that you have decided not to go ahead with your proposal to explore your properties.

Sincerely yours,

LANDON F. STROBEL

Landon F. Strobel
Executive Secretary

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MAY 14 1951

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

May 9, 1951

Mr. David Gallagher
P.O. Box 431
Joplin, Missouri

Re: DMA-16 - Zinc - Exploration

Dear Mr. Gallagher:

There are enclosed a copy of Mr. Lane's letter of May 2, 1951 and a copy of our letter of May 7, 1951 in reply thereto, which are self-explanatory.

It is believed that Mr. Lane should have the opportunity, if he so desires, to discuss the terms in Form MF-200 with a Government representative and we request that you do so at your earliest convenience, if he requests it.

If, after you have explained the conditions, Mr. Lane wishes to execute the Form MF-200, and needs advice in preparing the Exhibits A, B, C, D, E attachments to the contract, it is also requested that you render such assistance, particularly in regard to laying out a drill hole pattern which would be acceptable to the Field Executive Officer as one which would properly cover the requirements.

Sincerely yours,

C O Mittendorf

C. O. Mittendorf, Director
Production Expansion Division

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May 9, 1951

Mr. George W. Lane
25 South Maybell Street
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Re: DMA Docket No. 16
Zinc Exploration

Dear Mr. Lane:

This is in reply to your letter dated May 2, 1951, in which you state that you cannot undertake the subject exploration under the terms required by Exploration Project Contract Form MF-200.

You are advised that regulations applying to the Exploration Contracts prohibit the execution of contracts the terms of which differ from those contained in Form MF-200.

Likewise, it would not be possible to make an Exploration Project Contract which would be legally related to an operational Loan Contract, as you suggest in the second paragraph on page 2 of your letter of May 2, 1951.

Your letter has been mailed to the local Field Team representative who will, on receipt of your request for it, explain the Exploration Project Contract to you.

Sincerely yours,

C. O. Mittendorf, Director
Production Expansion Division

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25 South Maybell
Tulsa, Oklahoma
May 2- 1951.

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

Attention: C. O. Mittendorf, Director
Production Expansion Division

Dear Mr. Mittendorf:

This will answer your letter of April 27th, 1951, in regard to a mining loan Docket DMA-16, and the additional contract you enclosed for exploration work form MF-200. These forms are on the basis of a 50/50 program.

I have carefully read the forms MF-200, April 1951, which you requested me to fill out for your approval.

I can hardly determine the terms of this agreement as it is so complicated.

A tailored suit of clothes will not fit everyone desiring a suit of clothes, and a tailor made contract, which your contract seems to imply, cannot be applied to every project to determine all the details and requirements of such an undertaking.

The preliminary application and contract I drafted and mailed to you March 22nd, 1951, was for the purpose of exploration work for a drilling program. This drilling program would be made under a contract in which the driller would do the drilling for a certain amount per foot of churn drill operation. The contract would embody that the hole had to be drilled to a certain depth and the logs of the drill cuttings would be saved at every 30", and at completion of such hole, the contract on that hole would be finished and would require payment upon the completion thereof. In my application I stated that I desired to drill as many as 20 holes 300 feet deep. At that time I set the price at $1.50 per foot for such drilling. The drilling contractor that made this bid has now negotiated for a long term operation and I will not be able to secure his services at this price.

If you will accept a definite contract for the purpose of completing 20 drill holes to a depth of 300 feet each, to be drilled under a contract at a certain amount per foot, and within a given time, I will try to secure as many as three bids on this kind of a contract to submit to you for approval. Further, it

will be necessary that the Department furnish 50% of the money, to be available for such drilling as above mentioned in some bank in Joplin, Missouri, and applicant to furnish 50% in the same bank so that the drilling contract can be paid when the drilling is completed and the payments become due.
It is not the custom in the Joplin area for drillers to wait for payment for their services over a long period of time, as ordinarily drillers do not have the money to carry on the expenses of operation, and neither have I.

In the event that ore bodies are discovered by such drilling and the Department is satisfied that the ore bodies are commercial and sufficient to carry on mining, then in that event, it is understood that the first application DMA-16 for the request of $105,000.00 will be approved within a reasonable time.

This drilling would be of no value to neither parties without the continuation of the first contract which should go into mining production in order to pay the Government for such loans. I am willing to set out 25% of the net production of the sales of all ores to reimburse the loans under discussion.

If a definite contract can be made covering these points, I will be happy to negotiate further with this matter, but if I will have to be bound by all the terms of the contract blanks which you have forwarded to me, I will not be interested any further in this matter, and in such event, I will be very grateful if you will mail me back all my reports, maps, and data, which you have in your files on Docket DMA-16.

Yours very truly

s/ GEO. W. LANE

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Address:
25 South Maybell,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

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

April 30, 1951

DMA-16
Deep Rock Mining Company
Cherokee County, Kansas

Mr. George W. Lane
25 South Hayball
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Lane

Your letter of April 26 to Mr. James Boyd has been referred to me for reply.

On April 27 an exploration project contract was mailed to you for execution by Defense Minerals Administration. By this time you probably have received this contract form and the information that your application of March 21 for assistance with an exploration project has been recommended for approval.

In case I can be of further assistance to you, please let me know.

Yours very truly,

Otto Herres

OTTO HERRES, Chief
Lead-Zinc Branch

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Mr. David Gallagher, Region VI

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

APR 30 1951

April 27, 1951

Mr. George W. Lane
25 South Maybell Street
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Re: Docket DMA-16 - Zinc Exploration
Deep Rock Mining Company

Dear Mr. Lane:

Your application of March 21, 1951 for aid for the subject exploration project has been recommended for approval.

In order to obtain this aid, it will be necessary for you to fill out and sign, in triplicate, Form MF-200, which is the Exploration Project Contract (four of which forms are enclosed herewith) and mail three executed contracts to this office.

Very truly yours

C. O. Mittendorf

C. O. Mittendorf, Director
Production Expansion Division

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cc to: Mr. Strobel
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DMA Field Hdq., Joplin, Mo., Box 431
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David Gallagher
Region VI

APR 27 1951

April 23, 1951

Memorandum

Re: Docket DMA-16

To: Production Expansion Division

Commodity: Zinc

From: Lead-Zinc Branch, D. M. A.

Subject: Exploration loan, $10,000
Deep Rock Mining Company

A. Deep Rock Mining Company
25 South Maybell Street
Tulsa, Oklahoma

B. Deep Rock Mine
Cherokee County, Kansas
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NE 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec. 2 T 34 S R 25 E.

C. (1) Part of the area to be explored has produced considerable zinc during the past but reserve estimates made by the applicant cannot be substantiated unless more exploration is done. It is possible that an orebody of commercial proportions could be outlined by this proposed project.

(2) The exploration by drilling is a standard method used in this district.

(3) Equipment is available.

(4) Financing is to be by a participating Government exploration loan of $10,000. The Government's share to be $5000.

(5) The applicant has operated small mines in the district for many years. He appears to be familiar with all phases of zinc-lead mining in this particular district.

D. The Lead-Zinc Branch recommends that the amended application be approved. The recommendation covers only that portion of the docket pertaining to the exploration application submitted 3/21/51. The amount of the request is $10,000 to cover 6000 feet of drilling to be done on the applicants land. The Government's share of the loan shall not exceed $5000.

E. Exploration loan of $10,000 of which the Government will furnish one half the total amount.

F. The project is pertinent to the Government's program for mineral exploration. If the exploration is successful a considerable tonnage of zinc ore would be made available for defense production.

G. (1) The geological possibilities are reasonably good that an ore body could be ascertained by this drilling program. There is already some indication from old drilling that an ore deposit is possibly present, however, information on the grade is not available.

H. The applicant submitted an original request for a loan of $105,000 to rehabilitate mining facilities at the above property. The evidence submitted by the applicant at that time did not substantiate that an ore body large enough to justify such an expenditure was present. The drill logs submitted were without value in determining an ore body.

In a letter and application dated March 21, 1951, the applicant requests that the original application be reinstated and considered as a part of the exploration program. The applicant has shown a willingness to provide his share ($5,000) of the funds necessary for the proposed 6000 feet of drilling.

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Copies to: David Gallagher (2)
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Chief, Lead-Zinc Br.
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Tom Lyon

Tom Lyon, Director
Supply Division

U. S. Geological Survey, Joplin, Mo.

Olaf N. Rove

Feb. 26, 1951

David Gallagher

Docket DMA-16, Geo. W. Lane, Deep Rock Mining Co.

The application and accompanying report signed by Geo. W. Lane were evidently found to be insufficiently complete and detailed, and were therefore referred to this office in the hope that we might be able to obtain additional information locally.

As we have found that there is no additional information regarding this property in (a) the Eagle-Picher files, (b) the files of Geo. M. Fowler, or (c) the local U. S. Bureau of Mines office, we are of the opinion that no additional information is available.

It is therefore our opinion that the information furnished by Mr. Lane is insufficient to justify approval of the application, and we would like to suggest that you may wish to return the application to Mr. Lane with the advice that a more adequate report be prepared by him, or by a consultant.

We do not believe that it is an intended or proper function of this office to expend public funds to rework inadequate reports into adequate reports in competition with private consulting engineers or geologists.

David Gallagher
Executive Officer Field Team, Region VI

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February 2, 1951

Mr. George W. Lane
25 South Maybell Street
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Lane:

Your application (Docket DMA 16) for a Government loan under the provisions of the Defense Production Act of 1950 has been reviewed by the Lead-Zinc Branch of the Defense Minerals Administration. Before final decision can be taken on your request it will be necessary to obtain additional information on your property. Your application, therefore, has been referred to the appropriate field office with the request that the needed information be supplied to us.

Yours very truly,

S. M. Williston, Director
Supply Division
Defense Minerals Administration

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DEFENSE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Herres

Referral of Applications for Government Aid

Docket No. DMA - 16

Commodity: lead zinc

Name of Applicant: Geo. W. Lane for Deep Rock Mining Company

Address of Applicant: 1/11/51 - Mr. Herres: Attached are four copies of Form NSRB - 146.

Name of Property:

Location of Property:

Nature of Application: Loan of $105,000

Action Dates

Application: 11/5/50

Received: 11/17/50

Acknowledged:

Referred to NONFERROUS METALS Committee: 11/20/50

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

January 30, 1951

Memorandum

To: Executive Officer Field Team, Region VI

From: Lead-Zinc Branch - Otto Herres

Subject: Docket DMA-16
George W. Lane
25 South Maybell Street
Tulsa, Oklahoma

The Deep Rock Mining Company application, as presented by George W. Lane, has been reviewed by the Lead-Zinc Branch, DMA.

The applicant requests a development loan ($125,000) to rehabilitate mining facilities of a property in Cherokee County, Kansas. The original application requested $90,130 (11/5/50).

The application states the following facts:

1. The ore deposit is a typical Tri-State ore body containing reserves estimated at 2,600,000 tons of 3-4% lead-Zinc ore.

2. Past production estimated at 250,000 tons of 3.5% zinc ore.

3. The mine was operated in 1947.

The applicant does not present conclusive evidence substantiating such a sizeable ore body. The logs of drill holes accompanying the map of the property are difficult to interpret as presented. It is stated that the remainder of the 18 logs can be furnished at an early date. It is possible that additional information regarding reserves is available from the applicant or from other sources in the area.

It is recommended by the Lead-Zinc Branch that the documents be referred to the field team for review and advice.

Otto Herres

OTTO HERRES, Chief
Lead-Zinc Branch, DMA

Approved:
DMA Operating Committee

C. Mittendorf
Acting Chairman

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Olaf N. Rove

January 30, 1951

Memorandum

To: Executive Officer Field Team, Region VI

From: Lead-Zinc Branch - Otto Herres

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25 South Cantrell Street
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DMA Operation Committee

OTTO HERRES, Chief
Lead-Zinc Branch, DMA

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Base Metals

December 21, 1950

Mr. Geo. W. Lane
25 S. Maybell Street
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Lane:

In response to your letter of December 18, referring to your application docket number DMA-16, I am enclosing five copies of loan application form NSRB-146.

When this has been prepared it should be filed with James Boyd, Administrator, Defense Minerals Administration, Depart- of the Interior, Washington 25, D. C.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES W. MERRILL, Chief
Base Metals Branch

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25 So. Maybell Street,
Tulsa, Oklahoma
December 18-1950

Charles W. Merrill, Chief
Base Metals Branch
U. S. Department of Interior,
Bureau of Mines
Washington 25, D. C.

Docket Number DMA-16

Dear Sir:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 4th in regards to a preliminary application which I have filed for a mining loan.

I have now drafted a more complete application which I would like to file with your office or with the Joplin office which ever one, or both, is necessary.

I understand application blanks have not bee issued as yet in the Joplin office. However, I have tried to furnish all the information and data that can be had on this project for your approval. I would appreciate it very much if you could furnish me with a set of application blanks and advise me the proper place to send the final application which I have not drafted.

Yours very truly,

s/ Geo. W. Lane

Geo. W. Lane

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December 4, 1950

Mr. Geo. W. Lane
25 So. Maybell Street
Tulsa, Oklahoma

My dear Mr. Lane:

Your request for assistance under the Defense Production Act of 1950 has been received and is being considered for eligibility under the Act.

All correspondence relating to your project should be identified with the Docket Number DMA-16.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES W MERRILL, Chief
Base Metals Branch

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L B Moon

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES

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P. O. BOX 136
ROLLA, MISSOURI

November 15, 1950

Registered Mail
Air Mail

Dr. James Boyd
Director
U. S. Bureau of Mines
Interior Building
Washington 25, D. C.

My dear Dr. Boyd:

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Drill-hole records have not been furnished with the preliminary application, but the applicant has indicated that they will be available on request.

Sincerely yours,

R. G. Knickerbocker

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Joplin, Mo.

February 8, 1951

Mr. George W. Lane
25 S. Maybell Street
Tulsa, Okla.

Dear Mr. Lane:

Enclosed are your letters on your application which you inadvertently left here yesterday.

Very truly yours,

M. Howard Berliner

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January 30, 1951

Mr. George W. Sare
25 South Seybell Street
Lulu, Alabama

Dear Mr. Sare:

Your application for a Government loan under provisions of the Defense Production Act of 1950 has been reviewed by the Lead-Zinc Branch of the Defense Minerals Administration.

Before given further consideration for a loan it is desirable that additional information be obtained for the Lead-Zinc Branch. Therefore, your application has been referred to the appropriate field team for action.

Yours truly,

G. A. Elliston, Director
Supply Division
Defense Minerals Administration

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January 30, 1951

Mr. George E. Jones
25 South Cardell Street
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Jones:

Your application for a Government loan under provisions of the Defense Production Act of 1950 has been reviewed by the Lead-Zinc Branch of the Defense Minerals Administration.

Before giving further consideration for a loan it is desirable that additional information be obtained for the Lead-Zinc Branch. Therefore, your application has been referred to the appropriate field team for action.

Yours truly,

[illegible] Hilliston, Director
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