See DMA 21 for additional file - Tennessee Metals Co.

(Tennessee Schuylkill
and Arizona Metals)

Mr. J. H. Cant, Jr.
Region IV

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

January 29, 1951

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DENVER, COLORADO

Mr. Ralph R. Langley
President
Arizona Metals Company
Summit Alpha Mines
Kingman, Arizona

Dear Mr. Langley:

Your letter of January 4 addressed to the Administrator regarding the Arizona Metals Company's application for assistance, Docket DMA-50, has been referred to me for reply.

Copies of your letter and of Mr. Wimer's addressed to S. H. Williston dated December 27, are being forwarded to the field team for consideration along with other material relating to DMA-50 and DMA-21.

Sincerely yours,

LANDON F. SIEGEL,
Executive Secretary

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ARIZONA METALS COMPANY
Summit Alpha Mines
Kingman, Arizona

Los Angeles, California
January 4th, 1951

Dr. James Boyd, Administrator,
Defense Minerals Administration,
Bureau of Mines,
Department of Interior,
Washington 25, D. C.

DOCKET DMA-50

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TENNESSEE SCHUYLKILL CORPORATION
Chloride, Arizona

December 27, 1950

Mr. S. H. Williston, Chairman
Operating Committee - Defense Minerals Administration
United States Department of the Interior
Bureau of Mines
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Williston:

Your letter of December 15th referring to the application of this corporation, Docket DMA-21, for a Government loan with which to resume operations at the Tennessee Mine was received yesterday. We acknowledge the five copies of the application form for direct Government loans which you enclosed.

The information regarding the orebody on the 700 level, sampled by the United States Smelting, Refining and Mining Co., is at the mine office in Chloride, Arizona. We shall have this information forwarded to us here and send it on to you as requested.

Since our preliminary application was sent to the Denver office of the Bureau of Mines, October 16, 1950, there has been considerable discussion carried on here concerning plans to lease the Tennessee Mine to an operating company. Several of the parties interested in the Tennessee Mine, including some of the creditors and stockholders, seem to favor such a plan. This plan would include the organization of a new and separate operating entity, probably a corporation, which would in turn lease and operate the Tennessee Mine and probably two or three other properties in the district from which lead-zinc ores could be profitably produced providing milling facilities were available. By including a lease on the Tennessee property the Tennessee mill would be immediately available for the concentration of ores from other properties as well as ore from the Tennessee Mine itself.

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Knowing that the object of the Government is to increase the production of lead and zinc without delay it has occurred to us that the completion of the loan application should be expedited. If the application were completed in the name of Tennessee Schuylkill Corporation, after which it was determined upon investigation by the Defense Minerals Administration that the property was worthy of operation but should be operated by a leasee instead of by the company, there might be considerable unnecessary delay in making another application. It is also possible that a leaser would control other properties from which production could be had with additional Government financial assistance, in which case the leaser would probably want to apply for a larger amount of money.

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Mr. J. H. Hedges, who was formerly in charge of the Tucson office of the Bureau of Mines, is acquainted with the writer and is also familiar with the Tennessee Mine and the Chloride district in general. I understand Mr. Hedges is now in your Washington office and I mention this thinking perhaps you might like to speak with him about this situation.

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We will await with interest your early reply to this letter and will hold up the filling out and forwarding of the formal loan application forms until we have heard from you.

Very truly yours,

TENNESSEE SCHUYLKILL CORPORATION

By N. A. Wimer, President

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REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S OFFICE
REGION IV
JAN 29 1951
BUREAU OF MINES
DENVER, COLORADO

January 23, 1951

Memorandum

To: Executive Officer Field Team, Region IV

From: Lead-Zinc Branch, DMA - Otto Herres

Subject: Docket DMA-50
DMA-21
Arizona Metals Company
Summit Alpha Mines, Kingman, Arizona

Enclosed for your information is a copy of letter from Ralph R. Langley, President of the Arizona Metals Company. Despite Mr. Langley's desire to have the field examination proceed before his joint application with Tennessee Schuylkill Corporation is filed, I believe it would be best to wait until the new application has been received in Washington and forwarded to you. At that time you will no doubt wish to have the Field Team make an appointment with Langley in order that the property will be fully accessible for examination.

Otto Herres

OTTO HERRES, Chief
Lead-Zinc Branch, DMA

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P.O.Box 1266
Kingman

1045 S. Bedford Street
Los Angeles 35, California

ARIZONA METALS COMPANY
Summit Alpha Mines
Kingman, Arizona

Los Angeles, California
January 6th, 1951.

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

Docket File DAM-50

Dear Mr. Merrill:

Your letter dated December 28th, postmarked January 2nd, reached me today.

You advise that the Operating Committee has dispatched our application to the Field Team for investigation.

By this time you no doubt have my letter dated January 4th advising that any person visiting the property would be at a disadvantage without having either myself or someone acquainted with the property and having keys to the doors to the portal, with him.

I suggest that you have your Field Team contact me a day before they are ready to visit the property. Or if you care to give me their names and address I will contact them.

Mr. Wimer, President of Tennessee Schuylkill Corporation will telephone Mr. Williston, Chairman, Operating Committee, on Monday advising him that the Tennessee-Summit projects will be operated as one operating unit, through a separate operating entity and will suggest that your Field Team be so advised so that the examination can be made accordingly.

We will prepare a considered joint application the coming week and have it in Washington by the end of the week, we hope. It will set up a more specific program of procedure and requirements than we have been in position to heretofore do.

I see no reason why your Field Team cannot make their examination before our final application reaches Washington particularly if the Team is advised in advance of the examination. I will be available to show them both projects on short notice.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Ralph R. Langley, Pres.
ARIZONA METALS COMPANY

UNITED STATES
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DEFENSE MINERALS ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S OFFICE
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January 23, 1951

Re: DMA-50

Mr. Ralph R. Langley, President
Arizona Metals Company
1045 S. Bedford Street
Los Angeles 35, California

Dear Mr. Langley:

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I have informed the Executive Officer of the Field Team regarding the necessity of contacting you prior to the examination in order to have full access to the property. As soon as the joint application which you propose to submit with the Tennessee Schuylkill Corporation is received it will be forwarded promptly to the Field Team in order that the fiedl examination can proceed.

Very truly yours,

OTTO HERRES, Chief
Lead-Zinc Branch, DMA

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cc: Mr. Mote
Mr. McKnight
Mr. Herres
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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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January 1[illegible], 195[illegible]

Honorable [illegible]
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator [illegible]:

In reply to your letter of January 10, enclosing Mr. [illegible] A. Langley's letter to you of January 6, identified by Docket [illegible]-[illegible], and a copy of our earlier letter to you of December 21 regarding Mr. Langley's application for assistance under the Defense Production Act:

Otto Herres, Chief of the Exploration Division, Defense Minerals Administration, received a telephone call on January 8 from Mr. Langley and Mr. [illegible], President of the Tennessee-Schuylkill Corp., in which he was informed that it was their wish that no further action be taken on Mr. Langley's proposal or on a proposal made by Mr. [illegible] for the Tennessee-Schuylkill Corp., Docket [illegible]-[illegible], as they were preparing a joint proposal covering both properties.

Mr. Herres has contacted the [illegible] Field Team for Region IV of this request and has informed the Field Team that it will be unnecessary to proceed further with the evaluation of the proposals that they had recommended.

As soon as the joint proposal has reached us it shall be our duty to be considered as expeditiously as possible.

We appreciate your interest and your letter of January 10 may be filed herewith as requested.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES BOYD
Administrator

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DENVER, COLORADO

Mr Langley and Mr Wimer phoned me from California today saying their new proposal would be submitted Monday 1/29/51

Otto Herres
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Copy to - Minerals Division
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UNITED STATES
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BUREAU OF MINES

OFFICE OF
REGIONAL DIRECTOR

REGION IV

224 NEW CUSTOMHOUSE
DENVER 2, COLORADO

January 12, 1950

Memorandum

To: Mr. Chas. Anderson, Prescott, Arizona
Mr. Paul T. Allsman, Denver, Colorado

From: DMA Field Team, Region IV

Subject: DMA-50, Arizona Metals Company

Mr. Hedges has advised us by telephone to suspend any action on the examination of DMA-50, Arizona Metals Company, until further notice.

For your information, we have been informed that the plan is on foot to request Government assistance for a merger of the Summit Alpha and the Tennessee Mine which is in the same vicinity.

We will let you know when you should proceed.

J. H. East, Jr.

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cc: A. H. Koschmann

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES

Mining Division
Region IV

January 11, 1951

Memorandum

To: W. R. Storms

From: Chief, Mining Division, Region IV

Subject: Docket DMA #50 - Arizona Metals Company, Summit Alpha Mines, Kingman, Arizona.

Herewith are copies of letters from DMA Team, Region IV, Chairman of the Lead-Zinc Committee, and Ralph R. Langley concerning their Arizona Summit Alpha mines, Kingman, Arizona.

Mr. Anderson has been sent copies of this information with a request that he make an examination. I have also been instructed by the Team that you assign an engineer with Mr. Anderson and secure such engineering information as proves advisable.

Paul T. Allsman

Enclosures

Copy to: FieldTeam, Reg. IV

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF MINES
ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION
REGION IV

OFFICE OF
REGIONAL DIRECTOR

224 NEW CUSTOMHOUSE
DENVER 2, COLORADO

January 11, 1951

Mr. Ralph E. Langley
10[illegible] South Bedford Street
Los Angeles 35, California

Dear Mr. Langley:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated January 7, requesting that we advise you when the engineers and geologists will visit your property in connection with your application for Government assistance, Docket [illegible]-50.

When the engineers are ready to visit the property we will contact you, giving you as much advance notice as possible.

It is impossible for us at this time to advise you the names of the persons who will make the field investigation.

Sincerely yours,

J. H. East, Jr.

J. H. East, Jr.
Regional Director

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AH Koschmann)
WH Storms)
Chas. Anderson)

Please note that Mr. Langley requests you to contact him before making the field examination. He states: "I must arrange to meet them at the property or arrange with someone to meet them. The portals to the entrances are locked and no stranger could find the claim lines or other important elements without someone to guide them."

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Denver 2, Colorado

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Denver, Colorado

January 10, 1951

Memorandum

To: P. T. Allsman

From: Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Docket DMA 50 - Arizona Metals Company, Summit Alpha Mines, Kingman, Arizona.

Attached is a copy of our memorandum of today addressed to Mr. Charles Anderson, above subject.

While this is primarily a geological examination, it will be well to have one of Mr. Storms' engineers visit the property at the same time and secure whatever engineering information he can.

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From: Field Team, Region IV

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224 New Customhouse
Denver 2, Colorado

January 10, 1951

Memorandum

To: Charles Anderson, Geological Survey, Prescott, Ariz.

From: Field Team, Region IV

Subject: Docket DMA 50 - Arizona Metals Company, Summit Alpha Mines, Kingman, Arizona

The Operating Committee has submitted the attached report in reference to the above subject. A copy of the memorandum from the Committee is attached.

You will note that a geological examination is requested to substantiate the reserve estimates made by the applicant. Please process this application as promptly as possible.

A copy of this memorandum is being sent to Mr. Allsman with the request that he have an engineer from the Bureau of Mines accompany you to secure whatever information he can.

J. H. East, Jr.

W. H. Roschmann

Attachment

cc: MT Allsman

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East's copy

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

December 26, 1950

Memorandum

To: Executive Officer of Field Team, Region IV

From: Lead-Zinc Committee, DMA

Subject: Docket DMA 50
Arizona Metals Company
Summit Alpha Mines
Kingman, Arizona

REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S OFFICE REGION IV JAN 2 - 1951 BUREAU OF MINES DENVER, COLORADO

The Arizona Metals Company application, as presented by Ralph R. Langley, President, has been reviewed by the Nonferrous Lead-Zinc Commodity Committee.

The application does not indicate that the three properties proposed for development have measured ore reserves. However, it is estimated by the applicant that 1,060,000 tons of Pb-Zn ore averaging 6.0% Pb and 7.0% Zn would be available for production if the proposed development work is completed. This estimate is based on a past production of 25,000 tons ore. The exhibits included with application are not in sufficient detail to support such a liberal estimate of ore reserve.

The committee, therefore, recommends:

(1) That the information submitted by the applicant in requesting a loan be referred to the field committee for investigation and advice.

The committee's review of the papers indicates that the suitability of the project in the development program will depend first of all upon a geological examination to substantiate the reserve estimates made by the applicant.

OTTO HERRES, Chairman
Lead-Zinc Committee, DMA

APPROVED:
DMA Operating Committee

Otto Herres
Acting S. H. Williston, Chairman

Olaf N. Rove

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ARIZONA METALS COMPANY

SUMMIT ALPHA MINES
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Los Angeles California
January 7th, 1951.

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Mr. John H. East Jr.,
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Denver 2,
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Another reason is that we have very recently decided to combine our application with that of the Tennessee Schuylkill Corporation--and operate the two projects through a new entity. Mr. Wimer of the Tennessee Corporation and I have had some correspondence with Mr. S. H. Williston, Chairman Operating Committee and with Dr Boyd direct in that respect. They have suggested that we execute a joint application--which we are now preparing.

We do not wish to delay any examination but we do want to know when the Team will be in our district and arrange to meet them there and we also think it best for the Team to be advised of our filing a joint application so that they can cover our combined situation while on the ground.

Mr. Wimer talked with Messers Williston and Herries by telephone today and was advised that the Team works out of your office and that we could get the information indicated from you. Mr. Wimer then called you but found you away until Wednesday.

Will you please advise us who compose the team and arrange to have us advised in advance of their visit to the properties.

Yours very truly,

Ralph R. Langley

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REGIONAL INVESTIGATIONS
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December 28, 1950

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1045 S. Bedford Street
Los Angeles 35, California

Dear Mr. Langley:

Your letter of December 15, addressed to Thomas H. Miller, regarding your application for assistance docket number DMA-50, has been referred to me for reply.

A check of the file shows that the application as supplemented by the presentation on form NSRB-146 has been acted upon by the Operating Committee of the Defense Minerals Administration, and has been dispatched to the Field Team for investigation and a report on the proposal.

Your letter to Mr. Miller with enclosures is being added to your file here.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES W. MERRILL, Chief
Base Metals Branch

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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December 21, 1950

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1045 S. Bedford Street
Los Angeles 35, California

Dear Mr. Langley:

Your two letters of December 15, addressed to James Boyd, Administrator, Defense Minerals Administration, in reference to application docket number DMA-50, have been referred to me for reply.

The forms NSRB-146 and certain other data which have reached me through Senator Hayden have been brought together with the other material already contained in file DMA-50.

I note your statement that Mr. Mittendorf and Mr. Olund are acquainted with your project. As to the advisability of you coming to Washington to supply added information, I think that any such plan should be deferred indefinitely. If an examination by the Bureau of Mines-Geological Survey Field Team of the property itself is called for, probably this Team will ask you to be present, if convenient to you.

I also note that the treating of your project and that of the Tennessee-Schuylkill Corporation jointly may be proposed. If you and the Tennessee-Schuylkill Corporation decide to go forward with such a combination, the Defense Minerals Administration will expect to have a formal joint agreement to this effect filed in Washington, otherwise the two projects will continue to be treated separately.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES W. MERRILL, Chief
Base Metals Branch

J. H. East, Jr.

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

December 26, 1950

Memorandum

To: Executive Officer of Field Team, Region IV

From: Lead-Zinc Committee, DMA

Subject: Docket DMA 50
Arizona Metals Company
Summit Alpha Mines
Kingman, Arizona

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The Arizona Metals Company application, as presented by Ralph R. Langley, President, has been reviewed by the Nonferrous Lead-Zinc Commodity Committee.

The application does not indicate that the three properties proposed for development have measured ore reserves. However, it is estimated by the applicant that 1,060,000 tons of Pb-Zn ore averaging 6.0% Pb and 7.0% Zn would be available for production if the proposed development work is completed. This estimate is based on a past production of 25,000 tons ore. The exhibits included with application are not in sufficient detail to support such a liberal estimate of ore reserve.

The committee, therefore, recommends:

(1) That the information submitted by the applicant in requesting a loan be referred to the field committee for investigation and advice.

The committee's review of the papers indicates that the suitability of the project in the development program will depend first of all upon a geological examination to substantiate the reserve estimates made by the applicant.

Otto Herres
OTTO HERRES, Chairman
Lead-Zinc Committee, DMA

APPROVED:
DMA Operating Committee

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December 21, 1950

Hon. Carl Hayden
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator Hayden:

Your letter of December 5, transmitting a letter dated November 29 from Mr. Ralph R. Langley to you, a carbon of my letter of November 3 to you, and a copy of the Arizona Metals Company proposal for assistance under the Defense Production Act of 1950, Docket DMA-50, has been received. A copy of Mr. Langley's letter has been made to be placed in the Arizona Metals Company docket so that the proposal may be considered as a whole. The original and the carbon of my earlier letter are returned as requested.

No word has reached me from Mr. Wimer, president of the Tennessee-Schuylkill Corporation, or others of that company, concerning Mr. Langley's proposal that his property and the Tennessee-Schuylkill be considered jointly for assistance. I think you might suggest to Mr. Langley that he ask Mr. Wimer to inform the DMA directly of his wishes in the matter. Until the DMA receives a joint proposal worked out in detail and agreeable to both applicants it will find it necessary to proceed on the proposals separately.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES BOYD
Director

J. H. East, Jr.

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Los Angeles California.
December 2nd, 1950

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DENVER, COLORADO

Mr. J. H. East, Jr.,
Regional Director,
U.S. Bureau of Mines,
224 New Customhouse,
Denver 2, California.

Dear Mr. East;

Yours of November 28th received.

It is not entirely correct to say that the Summit Alpha and Tennessee mine projects have actually merged their operations--whether or not they do so will depend on whether enough financing is approved by the Defense Production Act Administrators to make such a merger of operations economical and practical. You will note that I said in my letter that it is quite possible that a merger of operatinns would be made. This is meerly to keep the record streight.

These projects are located so close to each other that the same mill will serve both projects for a considerable time and there would be other operative advantages.

In my letter of November 25th I particularly intended to call attention to the advantage of covering both projects on the same field trip.

I have called the attention of the Washington office to the importance of getting either or both of these projects--preferably merged--into production as quickly as possible and thus increasing the flow of base metal into the Defense program greatly and quickly.

This for your information. I am hoping the field work can be done this month.

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Sincerely,

Ralph R. Langley

Ralph R. Langley, Pres.
Arizona Metals Company

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Los Angeles, California
November 29, 1950

Senator Carl Hayden
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator:

I have Mr. Koch's letter of November 9th, together with letter from Mr. Thomas H. Miller, Acting Director, Bureau of Mines, attached thereto. Am returning Mr. Miller's letter to you. I note that Mr. Miller suggests submitting my proposals to him direct, which I am very happy to do, through you, herewith.

I am sending for your perusal and for presentation to Mr. Miller, an office copy of an application recently submitted through the Denver Office of the Bureau of Mines, with respect to the Summit Alpha project. Will you please see that it reaches Mr. Miller for his personal attention.

I understand that arrangements for actually advancing funds are not yet completed, but that applications are being received and "processed". No doubt, a large amount of time will be absorbed in culling out many unqualified applications and while I have no desire to unfairly supersede other applicants, it may be that by presenting the copy of application and information herein direct to Mr. Miller he may consider the matter of sufficient importance to defense production to expedite consideration of our situation.

I believe the Mohave County situation is of such importance to the efforts to materially increase the supply of base metals that the Washington office might request its regional office to process the matter as quickly as possible.

That part of Mohave County lying between Kingman and Chloride can be made to quickly and greatly increase the supply of lead and zinc. That area ought to be consolidated into one major, defense act financed, operation. The two most realistic and most comprehensive projects are our own Summit Alpha Project, which does not now have milling facilities, and the Tennessee Schuylkill Project which does have a 150-ton milling and treating plant. There are several other smaller mines, or near mines, in that part of the district which could, and would, in the aggregate contribute a substantial amount of base metal production if an immediate cash market for their ore and perhaps some other temporary assistance were available.

Our district could be producing 300 tons of ore daily and would be, if the necessary -- but not excessive -- financing were available.

I am calling your attention to the general local situation and to that phase of the defense production objective as forcefully as possible at this time because, due partly to some work recently done by me, the condition and the time elements are now opportune for immediate and effective action. Here is the situation:

The Tennessee Schuylkill Corporation Project, as you know, like the entire district, has been idle for two years, but for different reasons than has closed other operations. The Tennessee is in a serious financial position and its management, rightly or wrongly, quite widely discredited.

The Tennessee Corporation filed an application through the Denver Bureau of Mines Office on October 16th for $50,000 of Defense Act financing. Our Summit Alpha application was filed as of November 15th.

Mr. Wimer, President of Tennessee Schuylkill Corporation, feels that, due to an unfortunate operation record and to criticisms, an application for financial assistance for the same management may not be favorably considered, whereas that project in good management hands, if financed off of dead center, could soon supply a substantial amount of base metals to the Defense Administration and at the same time pay off its indebtedness and again become an important element in our State's economy. With that thought and objective in mind, Mr. Wimer has asked me to take a hand in their affairs and aid him in endeavoring to solve their problem.

As you no doubt know, the Tennessee Schuylkill is quite heavily indebted to the Collector of Internal Revenue. As I understand that phase of the situation, the Collector is willing to allow the project to work itself out of its financial difficulties but wants -- in fact insists -- that something constructive be done without further delay toward getting back into profitable operation.

Since being requested to do so, I have visited the Tennessee project and have looked into its affairs in a general way, the result being that I believe I can see a way of combining the advantages of the Tennessee and the Summit Alpha -- and of other smaller operations in that immediate district -- in such a way as will, with a lesser amount of financing than if financed separately, re-establish the Tennessee, bring the Summit Alpha

into permanent production, aid in building up several smaller operations, pay off indebtedness and, perhaps of even greater importance, greatly and quickly increase the flow of strategic metals into defense channels.

I believe the necessary Defense Act financing and the immediate operation of both Tennessee and Summit Alpha can be combined and done through a separate entity, thus protecting the new financing against old debts or use for old debts and otherwise effecting safety and economy.

It is because of the magnitude and importance of this situation as a whole - - important to the defense production objective - - that I think the Washington office of the Bureau of Mines might be justified in giving the matter special attention, perhaps even assigning it to the attention of such able men in its organization as Mr. Mittendorf or Mr. Olund for consideration. I believe both of them are somewhat acquainted with our district and the several projects therein.

I submit this information to you, rather than direct to Mr. Miller, so that you can use your own judgment with respect to presentation of the matter.

Sincerely,

s/ Ralph R. Langley

President
Arizona Metals Company

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224 NEW CUSTOMHOUSE
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November 20, 1950

Mr. Ralph L. Langley, President
Arizona Metals Company
1045 S. Bedford Street
Los Angeles 35, California

Dear Mr. Langley:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated November 23, advising that the Arizona Metals Company and the Tennessee Schuylkill Corporation have merged their operations.

We are filing your letter with the loan applications for action after review by the Defense Minerals Administration in Washington.

Sincerely yours,

J. H. Earth, Jr.
Regional Director

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Los Angeles California.
November 25th, 1950.

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DENVER, COLORADO

Mr. J. H. East, Jr.,
Regional Director,
United States Bureau of Mines,
224 New Customhouse,
Denver 2, Colorado.

Dear Mr. East;

Yours of the 20th received.

It is quite possible that the Arizona Metals Company-Summit Alpha project and the Tennessee Schulkill Corporation project will merge their operations. For that reason it might be well to take up those applications at the same time--particularly as to doing the field work on the same trip, if a field trip is made.

The Tennessee Schuylkill Corporation application was made as of October 16th, 1950.

There is much in common with respect to these two projects.

We are hoping your office can have an examiner visit our district soon. The writer will no doubt accompany your field engineer to both projects.

Yours very teuly,

Arizona Metals Company,

By Ralph R. Langley Pres.
Ralph R. Langley

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November 20, 1950

Mr. Ralph R. Langley, President
Arizona Metals Company
1045 S. Bedford Street
Los Angeles 35, California

Dear Mr. Langley:

Your letter of November 15, 1950 and report, in quadruplicate, regarding the Summit Alpha base metal project in Mohave County, Arizona, are hereby acknowledged, and will be given careful consideration.

Sincerely yours,

J. H. East, Jr.

J. H. East, Jr.
Regional Director

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October 31, 1950

Mr. Ralph R. Langley
1045 South Bedford Street,
Los Angeles 35, California.

My dear Mr. Langley:

Your letter of October 11, addressed to Director Boyd, requesting information on loan privileges under the Defense Production Act of 1950, has been referred to me for reply.

As you no doubt know, this Act provides among other things for the expansion of productive capacity and supply of strategic minerals. Executive Order 10161 delegates to the Department of the Interior the responsibility, in regard to metals and minerals, for reporting on the feasibility of projects to expand productive capacity and supply and the essentiality of such proposed new capacity or supply to the Defense Program. Based on these reports the Bureau of Mines in collaboration with the Geological Survey will determine what proposals may be properly certified by the Department to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for loans and to the General Services Administration for purchase contracts. However, before the Department of Interior can function under authority delegated in the Executive Order, certain administrative procedures must be established. The details of procedures to be followed have not yet been fully worked out. When they have, they will be announced to the press.

In order to expedite matters in the event that your company proves to be a qualified applicant for financial aid, I suggest you advise the appropriate Regional Director of the Bureau of Mines concerning your needs and your proposal for increasing mineral supply. For the property situated in California, you should address Mr. Harold C. Miller, Regional Director, Region III, U. S. Bureau of Mines, 1415 U. S. Appraisers Building, San Francisco 11, California; and for that located in Arizona, you should write Mr. John H. East, Jr., Regional Director, Region IV, U. S. Bureau of Mines, 224 New Customhouse, Denver 2, Colorado.

In bringing the matter to their attention, you should present all the pertinent engineering data available concern[illegible] property including information on manpower and equipment req[illegible]

tonnage and grade of ore, and anticipated rate of production. Submission of these data will enable the Regional Engineer to have the property examined, if necessary, and make a recommendation for consideration of this office as to the course of action to be followed.

I regret that I cannot give you more assurance of assistance at this time. You can be certain, however, that any information you furnish the Bureau will be given full consideration.

Sincerely yours,

J. H. Hedges, Chief
Minerals Division

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Copy to: Minerals Division
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John H. East, Jr., 224 New Customhouse, Denver 2, Co.
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Mining Division
Region IV

October 25, 1950

Mr. Ralph R. Langley
Arizona Metals Company
1045 South Bedford Street
Los Angeles 35, California

My dear Mr. Langley:

This is in reply to your letter dated October 11, 1950, addressed to Mr. John H. East, Jr., requesting information on mining loans.

The program concerning mining loans under the Defense Act of 1950 is still in the process of being developed in Washington. However, in order to save some time by various applicants in accumulating information needed to determine whether or not his property will qualify, we have prepared a form letter, copy enclosed, which will give you our idea of most of the pertinent information that will be needed. Further information will be sent you as soon as it is received.

After you have accumulated as much of the information that you have available, it should be sent to Mr. East.

Sincerely yours,

Paul T. Allsman
Chief, Mining Division

Enclosure 1

Copy to: WR Storms

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DENVER, COLORADO

Mr. John H. East Jr.,
Region IV,
U.S.Bureau of Mines,
224 New Courthouse,
Denverv2,Colorado.

Dear Mr. East;

I am advised that your office will process applications for mine loans for Arizona mining projects.

We have a large base metal property in Mohave County Arizona from which we produced considerable ore during the war. The values are such that we would not need premium prices if we were in position financially to finish a crosscut and drift on the vein for making room for volume production. The ore is lead-zinc-copper-gold and silver. Lead and zinc predominates.

The crosscut when finished will intersect the same vein from which we have produced, at about 500 feet under the outcrops. We have driven the crosscut about 700 feet and have about 250 feet get to drive. Then we must drift on the vein and raise for air.

We also have a manganese operation near Blythe California from which we have recently shipped a couple trial shipments to the Geneva Steel Company. The general run of the ore is about 35% Mn but it breaks rather fine so we are unable to sort it by hand to better than 3I or 32 % Mn. We have had some jig tests made and find that by the use of jigs and tables we can get a 48% to 50% product. We could do that in volume.

We intend to apply for a loan on our Summit property in Mohave County, Arizona and also on the Blythe, California manganese project.

Will you kindly advise me what the procedure is.

Sincerely,

Ralph R. Langley

Ralph R. Langley

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