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1605 Evans Avenue
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Memorandum

To: Operating Committee, DMEA, Interior Building
Washington 25, D. C.

From: Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region II

Subject: Loan Application (Thorium-Copper-Zirconium)
John B. Romero
San Juan Group
San Bernardino County, California

Enclosed are three copies of MF-103, Application for Aid forms, relative to above subject and one report by the Twining Laboratories. Copies of our correspondence with Romero are also enclosed.

Very truly yours,

S. Ricker

Attachments

Form MF–103
Revised Oct. 1957

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Budget Bureau No. 42–R1035.3
Approval expires June 30, 1958

DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION

APPLICATION FOR AID IN AN EXPLORATION PROJECT

PURSUANT TO DMEA ORDER I, UNDER THE DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT OF 1950, AS AMENDED

NAME OF APPLICANT (Full legal name and mailing address as it should appear on contract if one is executed)

John BRUNO ROMERO
506 E 14th St
SANTA ANA
CALIF

APPLICANT NOT TO USE THIS BLOCK

Docket Number: DMEA-5017

Date Received: 5-15-58

Government Participation %:

Region: II

Division Code: 700

BUSINESS ORGANIZATION (Check one)

- Individual [X]
- Corporation [ ]
- Partnership [ ]
- Other (Specify) [ ]

State in which firm is organized:

LIST CORPORATE OFFICERS OR PARTNERS HERE, IF APPLICABLE

Name	Address	Title

Mineral(s) for which you wish to explore:

Estimated Cost of Project
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LOCATION OF PROPERTY

Name	County	State
SAN JUAN GROUPE LUCERNE VALLEY	S.B. Co	CALIF

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Before filling out this application, please read DMEA Order–I, Revised, "Government Aid in Defense Exploration Projects." To assure prompt action, your application must provide all applicable material and information specified on the back of this application form. Avoid unnecessary correspondence and delays by submitting complete and accurate information. *Please submit four copies of this application and all accompanying papers* except as otherwise noted. Place your name and address on each sheet. Each item of information, maps, and reports required as a part of this application is described on the back of this form. Identify each attached statement by the item number to which it applies. If an item does not apply to your application, show the item number on your statement and after it write "not applicable." Maps or sketches should be used to supplement narrative descriptions of the property location and boundaries in item 1, existing mine workings and geology in item 2, and the proposed exploration project in item 4. When this information is not too complex, all of it may be shown on one map or sketch. All documents and other attachments submitted as a part of this application, except those in item 2(g) which you mark to be returned, become the property of the Government and will not be returned to the applicant. Send true copies, *not originals*, of leases, contracts, and other documents which are an essential part of your business records. *File this application with the Defense Minerals Exploration Administration, Department of the Interior, Washington 25, D. C., or with the nearest DMEA Field Office.*

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, whether as an individual, corporate officer, partner, or otherwise, both in his own behalf and acting for the applicant, certifies that the information set forth in this form and accompanying papers is correct and complete, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

MAY 7th 1958
Dated

John B Romero
BY *(Signature)*

OWNER
Title

A wilfully false statement or certification to any Department or Agency of the United States Government is a criminal offense. U. S. Code, Title 18, Sec. 1001.

INFORMATION REQUIRED WITH THIS APPLICATION

1. *Applicant's Property Rights:*

(a) State the legal description (section, township, and range; metes and bounds; patent number of claims) of the land upon which you wish to explore and all land adjacent to the proposed project area which you own or control. Describe any part of the project land or workings which should not be subject to Government lien for royalty payments. If the land consists of unpatented claims, state the book and page number for each recorded location notice, including amended locations, and the place where recorded (courthouse, recorder's office, county, and state).

(b) State all the names by which you know the property.

(c) State your interest in the land, whether owner, lessee, purchaser under contract, or otherwise. If you are not the owner, submit with this application one exact copy of the lease, contract, or other document (with address of owner) under which you control the property.

(d) Describe all liens, mortgages, or other encumbrances on the property.

2. *Physical Description:*

(a) Describe in detail and illustrate with maps or sketches all mining or exploration operations which you know have been or are being conducted upon the lands, including existing mine workings. Describe all production facilities.

(b) State your interest, if any, in operations stated in 2*(a)*.

(c) State, as far as you know, the past and current production, supporting your statement with copies of settlement sheets, mine records, or published data if available.

(d) Describe known ore reserves on the property giving quantities and grades and sampling methods used, supporting your statement with copies of assay certificates and assay maps if available.

(e) Describe by narrative and maps or sketches the geologic features of the property, including ore minerals, geologic formations if known, and type of deposit (vein, bedded, etc.).

(f) State your reasons for expecting to find ore, and if you have sampled the area you propose to explore, show where the samples were taken, describe sampling methods used, and provide copies of assay certificates.

(g) Send with your application at least *two* copies of all geologic or engineering reports, assay maps, or technologic information which you may have, indicating on each whether you require its return to you.

3. *Accessibility of Project:*

(a) To aid DMEA representatives who may be required to examine the property, state the name and address of the person who will meet the DMEA representative; give directions for reaching the property; and describe accessibility of the property including the mine workings.

(b) Name the shipping and supply points and places where employees reside and state the distances between them and the property.

4. *The Exploration Project:*

(a) Describe fully the proposed exploration project giving individual footages and sizes of openings *for each item of work*. Use narrative, maps, plans, and longitudinal and cross sections as necessary. Show the location of the proposed work as related to geologic features such as veins, ore-bearing beds, contacts of rock formations, etc. Show also the relation of the proposed work to any existing mine workings and to *property boundaries* or to the closest identifiable corner.

(b) If an access road to the project must be built, show the location on the property map and state the length, type, and construction methods proposed.

(c) In the event that an exploration contract with DMEA is executed, how soon will the work start and how many months will be required to complete it? State your anticipated average daily or monthly rate of progress for each type of work.

5. *Experience:*

State your operating experience and background with relation to your ability to carry out this exploration project, and also that of the person or persons who will supervise the operations.

6. *Estimate of Costs:*

Furnish detailed estimates of the costs *for each item of the work proposed in 4(a)* under the headings listed below with a total for each heading and the estimated total cost of the project. Costs for any work to be performed by an independent contractor should be shown separately under category *(a)* below. Costs for any work that is not to be performed by an independent contractor should be given in detail under categories *(b)* through *(g)*.

(a) Independent contracts. State the cost of any proposed independent contract for the performance of all or any part of the work, expressed in units of work, such as per foot of drilling, per foot of drifting, per hour of bulldozer operations, per cubic yard of material moved. Cost estimates should be supported by bids from three contractors if possible. *(Note* – If none of the work is to be contracted, write "none" after this item.)

(b) Personal services. For necessary supervision, engineering and geological services, and labor, include an itemized schedule of numbers, classes, rates of wages, salaries or fees, and periods of employment. State whether these technicians and employees are available.

(c) Operating materials and supplies. List items of material and supplies with their cost. Include under this heading power, water, and fuel, and units of equipment and tools costing less than $50 each.

(d) Operating equipment. List items of operating equipment to be used giving specifications and indicating how each item is to be acquired – i.e., rented, purchased, or provided by the applicant. If it is rented or purchased, state the estimated rental or purchase price. If it is to be furnished by the applicant, give its present fair market value.

(e) Initial rehabilitation and repairs. Describe the type and the cost of necessary *initial* rehabilitation or repair of existing buildings, fixtures, installations (exclusive of mine workings), and movable operating equipment now owned by the applicant, which will be used on the exploration project.

(f) New buildings, fixtures, installations. Describe each building, fixed improvement, and installation to be purchased, constructed, or installed for the exploration project stating specifications and cost including labor, materials and supervision.

(g) Miscellaneous. For the operating equipment listed in 6*(d)*, describe the type and estimate the cost of repairs and maintenance expected during project operations. Do not repeat initial repairs listed in 6*(e)*. Show also the costs of analytical work, accounting, workmen's compensation and employees' liability insurance, payroll taxes, and other required costs that do not fall within the previous categories.

Note – No items of general overhead, corporate management, interest, taxes (other than payroll and sales taxes), or any other indirect costs, or work performed or costs incurred before the date of the contract, should be included in the estimate of costs.

7. *(a)* State whether you are prepared to furnish your share of the cost of the proposed project in accordance with the regulations on Government participation stated in Sec. 7 of DMEA Order–I, Revised.

(b) Explain to what extent you propose to furnish your share of the costs by providing money, by use of equipment owned by you, or otherwise.

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MF-103
(Revised April 1952)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
DEFENSE MINERALS EXPLORATION ADMINISTRATION

Form Approved.
Budget Bureau No. 42-R1035.2.

APPLICATION FOR AID IN AN EXPLORATION PROJECT, PURSUANT TO DMEA ORDER 1, UNDER THE DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT OF 1950, AS AMENDED

Not to be filled in by applicant

Docket No. DMEA-5017
Metal or Mineral Thorium-Copper
Date Received 5-15-58
Estimated Cost
Participation (Government %)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. *Name of applicant.*—(*a*) State here your full legal name, in the form in which you will wish to contract, and your mailing address: John Bruno Romero
506 E. 14th St.
Santa Ana, Calif.
Orange County

(*b*) If other than an individual, add to your name above whether a corporation, partnership, etc., and the name of the State in which incorporated or otherwise organized.

(*c*) If a corporation, add to above statement, titles, names and addresses of officers.

(*d*) If a partnership, add to the above statement the names and addresses of all partners.

2. *General.*—Read DMEA Order 1, "Government Aid in Defense Exploration Projects," before completing this application. Submit this application and all accompanying papers in quadruplicate (four copies), with your name and address on each sheet of the application and on all accompanying papers. Where sufficient space is not provided on the form for all required information, state it on an accompanying paper, with a reference in each case to the instruction to which it refers by number. Comply with all applicable instructions; or, if not applicable, so state. File the application with Defense Minerals Exploration Administration, Department of the Interior, Washington 25, D. C., or with the nearest field executive officer thereof.

3. *Applicant's property rights.*—(*a*) State the legal description of the land upon which you wish to explore, including all land which you possess or control that may be benefited by the exploration, and excluding any land or interest in land which is not to be included in the exploration project contract Butte #1 Book 358 Page 330 Butte #2 Book 358 Page 328 La Plata Book 356 Page 513 Te-Boy Book 356 Page 515. Mourning Dove Book 356 Page 512. Yucca Book 356 Page 517. San Juan Book 356 Page 511, San Bruno Book 356 Page 516, La Guardia Book 356 Page 514, Black Nigger Book 358 Page 329.

(*b*) State any mine name by which the property is known.

(*c*) State your interest in the land, whether owner, lessee, purchaser under contract, or otherwise OWNER
This mining property is known as the Thorium Copper Mining Claims

(*d*) If you are not the owner, submit with this application a copy of the lease, contract, or other document under which you control the property.

(*e*) If you own the land, describe any liens or encumbrances on it None) The Mineral Claims are in U.S. Government Land and held Down by annual assessment work

(*f*) If the land consists of unpatented claims, add to the description above, the book and page numbers for each recorded location notice.

4. *Physical description.*—(*a*) Describe in detail any mining or exploration operations which have been or now are being conducted upon the land, including existing mine workings and production facilities. State your interest, if any, in such operations. Also describe accessibility of mine workings for examination purposes.

(*b*) State past and current production, and ore reserves, if any, giving quantities and grades.

(*c*) Describe the geologic features of the property, including mineralization, type of deposit (vein, bedded, etc.), and your reasons for wishing to explore. Illustrate with maps or sketches. Send with your application (but not necessarily as a part of it) any geologic or engineering report, assay maps, or other technologic information you may have, indicating on each whether you require its return to you.

(*d*) State the facts with respect to the accessibility of the project: Access roads, distances to shipping, supply and residence points.

(*e*) State the availability of manpower, materials, supplies, equipment, water, and power.

5. *The exploration project.*—(*a*) State the mineral or minerals for which you wish to explore Copper, Tolerance, Molybdenite, Manganese, Barium, Cobalt, Thorium and Nickel

(*b*) Describe fully the proposed work, including a map or sketch of the property showing a plan (and cross sections if needed) of any present mine workings, and the location of the proposed exploration work as related to such features as contacts, veins, ore-bearing beds, etc.

(*c*) The work will start within 30 days and be completed within 24 months from the date of an exploration project contract.

(*d*) State the operating experience and background of the applicant with relation to the ability to carry out such exploration project, and also that of the person or persons who will supervise the operations.

6. *Estimate of costs.*—Furnish a detailed estimate of the costs of the proposed work (you will have to use a separate sheet), under the following headings. Add the totals under all headings to give the estimated total cost of the project:

(*a*) *Independent contracts.*—(Note.—If the applicant does not intend to let any of the work to contractors, write "none" after this item. To the extent that the work is to be contracted, do not repeat the cost of the contract-work in subsequent items.) State the cost of any proposed independent contracts for the performance of all or any part of the work, expressed in terms of units of work (such as per foot of drilling, per foot of drifting, per hour of bulldozer operations, per cubic yard of material moved, etc.).

(*b*) *Labor, supervision, consultants.*—Include an itemized schedule of numbers, classes and rates of wages, salaries or fees for necessary labor, supervision and engineering and geological consultants.

(*c*) *Operating materials and supplies.*—Furnish an itemized list, including items of equipment costing less than $50 each, and power, water and fuel.

(*d*) *Operating equipment.*—Furnish an itemized list of any operating equipment to be rented, purchased, or which is owned and will be furnished by the Operator, with the estimated rental, purchase price, or suggested use-allowance based on present value, as the case may be.

(*e*) *Rehabilitation and repairs.*—Furnish a detailed list showing the cost of any necessary initial rehabilitation or repairs of existing buildings, installations, fixtures, and movable operating equipment, now owned by the Operator and which will be devoted to the exploration project.

(*f*) *New buildings, improvements, installations.*—Furnish a detailed list showing the cost of any necessary buildings, fixed improvements, or installations to be purchased, installed or constructed for the benefit of the exploration project.

(*g*) *Miscellaneous.*—Furnish a detailed list showing the cost of repairs to and maintenance of operating equipment (not including initial rehabilitation or repairs of the Operator's equipment), analytical work, accounting, workmen's compensation and employers' liability insurance, and payroll taxes.

(*h*) *Contingencies.*—Give an estimate of any necessary allowances for contingencies not included in the costs stated above.

NOTE.—No items of general overhead, corporate management, interest, taxes (other than payroll and sales taxes), or any other indirect costs, or work performed or costs incurred before the date of the contract, should be included in the estimate of costs.

7. (*a*) Are you prepared to furnish your share of the cost of the proposed project in accordance with the regulations on Government participation (Sec. 7, DMEA No. 1)?

(*b*) How do you propose to furnish your share of the costs?

☐ Money ☐ Use of equipment owned by you ☐ Other

Explain in detail on acompanying paper.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, whether as an individual, corporate officer, partner, or otherwise, both in his own behalf and acting for the applicant, certifies that the information set forth in this form and accompanying papers is correct and complete, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Dated Aug 24th, 1957

John B Romero
(Applicant)

By

Title 18, U. S. Code (Crimes), Section 1001, makes it a criminal offense to make a willfully false statement or representation to any department or agency of the United States as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

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May 13, 1958

Mr. John B. Romero
506 E. 14th Street
Santa Ana, California

Dear Mr. Romero:

We have received your additional copies of Application for Aid forms, MF-103. You have, however, not given any data as to the plan of your proposed exploration work nor a detailed cost estimate.

I am forwarding your application to our Washington office but they will be unable to process it unless you submit the information called for in our letter of December 26, 1957.

Very truly yours,

S. Ricker
Executive Officer
DMEA Field Team, Region II

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Mr. John B. Romero
506 E. 14th Street
Santa Ana, California

Dear Mr. Romero

Receipt is acknowledged [illegible] application for [illegible] dated [illegible] 17, 1967. [illegible]

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We are enclosing an [illegible]

Very truly yours,

/for/ [illegible]
Executive Officer
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FOR

JOHN B. ROMERO AND ASSOCIATES

SAN JUAN MINING CLAIMS

BLACK HAWK MINING DISTRICT

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

CALIFORNIA

TWINING LABORATORIES OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

1635 WEST GAYLORD STREET

LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

EXAMINATION 21749

JUNE 5, 1957

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GEOLOGIC REPORT

FOR

JOHN B. ROMERO AND ASSOCIATES

I. OWNERSHIP

These claims are filed in the name of John B. Romero.

The associates who share in these claims are:

Louis Manzo
William Manzo
Ernest Hoffman
Bob Santa Cruz
Jerry Schulz

II. CLAIM DESCRIPTION

The claims are located in the Frey Mountains, Range 3A, Section 30 North 31, Twonship 5 North, Black Hawk Mining District, San Bernardino County, California. See the attached sketch for individual claims, and registration data.

III. ACCESS ROADS

From the base line of the claims, an unimproved dirt road leads 1.5 miles to an improved dirt road; 11 miles south on this road, the paved highway to Lucerne is encountered. It is 41 miles on this road to the railroad siding at Victorville.

IV. PRESENT DEVELOPMENT OF CLAIMS

An excellent survey has been made to define the exact claim boundaries, which are adequately marked according to California Mining Law. Sufficient work has been done on all claims to cover both discovery work and assessment work for the 1956-7 mining year.

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FOR

JOHN B. ROMERO AND ASSOCIATES

IV. PRESENT DEVELOPMENT OF CLAIMS (Continued)

Only surface exploratory work has been done. No shaft exceeds 10 feet in depth, and the access road ends at the edge of the claims.

V. GENERAL GEOLOGY

This region is a portion of an ancient batholith that underlies the Lucerne Valley. Most of the formation is of Tertiary age, although Cenozoic volcanic action has covered portions of the formation with lava. The mineralization occurs along the contact between the ancient basalt, and the granite and granodiorite of the batholith. Intrusive veins have formed due to secondary circulation of magmatic waters, as characterized by the chalcopyrite occurrences on La Plata, San Juan and Butte #2 claims. Oxidation of this ore has formed the colorful malachite and azurite ores close to the surface.

Some cenozoic crustal earth movement has occurred in several locations, but in general, the mineralized portions are continuous.

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VI. ECONOMIC POTENTIAL OF CLAIMS

A. Santenal #1

A red hematite sandstone with facings of lime is found here. A volcanic lava flow overlies the deposit. Traces of rare earths are found in the sandstone, but insufficient to justify further exploration.

B. North-east End of La Plate

A four-inch vein of copper bearing quartz occurs here. Analysis of this ore showed only 0.77% copper. Severe crustal movement and local faulting make it inadvisable to investigate further.

C. Butte #1, Apex

Moderate radioactivity, ranging from .07 to 0.12 milliroentgens per hour is found over an extensive area. Assays made for uranium showed from .01% to .031% U_3O_8. Analysis of some of the better ore from this location showed 2.40% monazite (a thorium-rare earth phosphate), 5.25% magnetite, 1.12% zircon, and the balance quartz and feldspar. None of the elements are in large enough quantity to mine at the present time. With the current price of $300 a ton for a 60% monozite content, the ore can be valued at $12.50 a ton on this alone.

GEOLOGIC REPORT

FOR

JOHN B. ROMERO AND ASSOCIATES

VI. ECONOMIC POTENTIAL OF CLAIMS (Continued)

D. La Plata - Mid Center

A mineralized granite is formed by contact metamorphism with the basalt. Analysis of this mineral gave 0.06% lead and .6 oz/ton silver. This amount of mineralization has no commercial significance.

E. Yucca - North End

An extensive deposit of fine grained diorite is found here. In the discovery hole ore samples showed 7% manganese, and 3 oz/ton silver. This is not a commercial quantity, but further investigation might disclose better ore.

F. San Juan #1 - North End

A narrow vein of malachite, cuprite and chalcopyrite occurs between a foot wall of epidote and a hanging wall of granite analysis of the average ore showed 3.18% copper, valued at $19.08 per ton, with high grade samples running 5.85% copper, or $36.10 per ton. This is the most promising area to investigate. The formations are not fractured, and show evidence of an extensive copper deposit. Outcrops of copper ore are found over an area 75 feet by 150 feet. An exploratory shaft sunk, at the discovery hole, to a depth of 25 to 30 feet might

VI. ECONOMIC POTENTIAL OF CLAIMS (Continued)

F. San Juan #1 - North End (Continued)

disclose an extensive body of commercial ore. This location is definitely worth further investigation.

G. La Plata - Hole #2

A twenty-foot wide vein of hematite with some specularite and magnetite outcrops for about 600 feet. The ore is variable in quality, but should average 40% Fe_2O_3. This deposit might be of interest to a steel company, but a large scale operation would be required on such a low priced material. Hematite is $11.50 a ton for 56% Fe_2O_3.

H. Butte #1 - North End

The outcrop of copper here appears to be an offshoot of the main deposit on La Plata. The ore assayed 0.86% copper, indicating that the copper content is secondary, and well removed from the main ore body.

I. Mourning Cloak - Cut #3

No commercial values were found in this ore.

J. Mourning Cloak - #2

Traces of rare earths were found, but not in commercial quantities.

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GEOLOGIC REPORT

FOR

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VI. ECONOMIC POTENTIAL OF CLAIMS (Continued)

K. Mourning Cloak - #1

Slight radioactivity is found here, but assay of samples showed less than .01% U_3O_8.

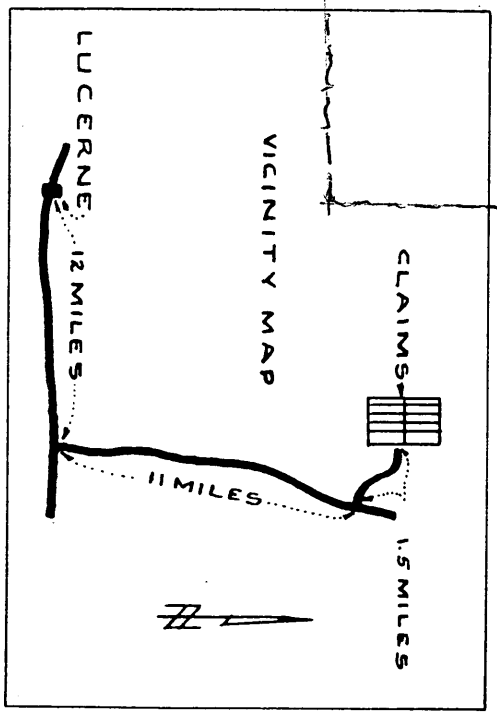
VII. SUMMARY

Access to the property is good. Water can be developed at a depth of approximately 100 feet in the proper location. The discovery and current assessment work is done. The economic potential is largely depended upon the exploratory work on the north end of the San Juan claim. The iron deposit might be of interest to a buyer, and further work on the Butte #1 apex might uncover richer ore. However, the San Juan claim is where the next development work should be done.

TWINING LABORATORIES OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

T. M. Dunkle

T. M. Dunkle
Consulting Mining Engineer



BUTTE #3
MONOZITE

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Mr. John B. Romero
506 East 14th Street
Santa Ana, California

Re: Docket No. DMEA-5017 (Thorium-Copper)
John B. Romero
San Juan, et al., Claims
San Bernardino County, California

Dear Mr. Romero:

Reference is made to our letter of March 3, 1959, and your reply of March 22, regarding completion of an application under the OME regulations.

We wish to cooperate with you in allowing ample time to furnish such information, but if we do not receive your new OME application with the information as outlined in our letter to you of January 25, 1959, within 30 days from the date of this letter, we will assume that you are no longer interested in proceeding with your application and consider the case closed.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) FRANK E. JOHNSON

Acting Director

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San Bernardino County, California

Dear Mr. Romero:

Reference is made to our letter of March 3, 1959, and your reply of March 22, regarding completion of an application under the OME regulations.

We wish to cooperate with you in allowing ample time to furnish such information, but, if we do not receive your acknowledgment of this letter within 30 days from this date, we will assume that you are no longer interested in proceeding with your application, and we will consider it as having been withdrawn.

should the case closed

Sincerely yours,

Acting Director

FIKnouse/GMcC
May 6, 1959

new OME application with the information as outlined in our letter to you of January 25, 1959 within 30 days from the date of the letter.

cc: Docket
Director's Reading File
T. H. Kiilsgaard
OME Field Team, Region II (2)
Mr. Knouse

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Santa Ana Calif
MAR 22-1959

United States
Dept of the Interior
Office of Mineral Exploration
Please keep my case open RE: on Docket No DMEA 5017 subject to the OME I am very soon to submit a Geological Report which is secondary to one other you retain on hand. These later will include other assayes made by Dr R.A. Gees Geological Scientist. Do not let me down

I Thank you Sir

Yours Truly
John B. Romero
506 E 14th St
Santa Ana
Calif

I suggest holding until all information obtainable is in. Applicant has ignored many of the requests made me.

MME Form 7
(10-58)

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3/2/59	Knouse	700
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MAR 3 1959

Mr. John B. Romero
506 East 14th Street
Santa Ana, California

Re: Docket No. DMEA-5017 (Thorium-copper)
San Juan, et al., Claims
San Bernardino County, California

Dear Mr. Romero:

Reference is made to our letter of January 29, 1959, regarding action required to make your DMEA application eligible for consideration under the OME regulations.

We wish to cooperate with you in allowing ample time to complete such action, but, if we do not hear from you within 30 days from the date of this letter, we will assume that you are no longer interested in proceeding with your application, and we will consider it as having been withdrawn.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) FRANK E. JOHNSON
Acting Director

FLKnouse/gla
3-2-59
cc to: Director's Reading File
THKiilsgaard, 5224
FLKnouse
OME Field Team, Region II (2)

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF MINERALS EXPLORATION
Washington 25, D. C.

January 31, 1959

Memorandum for Docket

Subject: Withdrawal of Pending DMEA Applications

Effective this date, this pending DMEA application is considered withdrawn for statistical purposes.

If, at a later date, the applicant requests reconsideration under the OME program, all pertinent material in the DMEA file should be transferred to the new OME docket.

Frank B. Johnson
Acting Director

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(10-58)

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1/26	Selfridge	120
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JAN 29 1959

Mr. John B. Romero
506 East 14th Street
Santa Ana, California

Re: Docket No. DMEA-5017 (Thorium-copper)
San Juan, et al., Claims
San Bernardino County, California

Dear Mr. Romero:

Enclosed is a copy of the regulations for obtaining Federal assistance in financing mineral exploration under which the new Office of Minerals Exploration will operate.

If you wish that your partly-processed DMEA application be considered under the OME regulations, please complete and return four of the copies of the attached application, MME Form 40.

Your attention is called especially to the certification which when signed declares that you would not ordinarily undertake the proposed exploration under current conditions and circumstances at your sole expense, and to Item 1(a) - and 1(c) if applicable - which relates to information used to determine your financial eligibility under the new exploration program. Information that is included in your DMEA application need not be repeated in the OME application. However, we will require the information requested in Mr. Ricker's letter of May 13, 1958, i.e., plan of your exploration program with detailed cost estimate. Also furnish four copies of a map or sketch, drawn to scale, showing the location of (a) exposures of mineralization, (b) samples taken and assay values, with certified copies of assay certificates, and (c) proposed work, all in relation to the property boundaries.

In your original application you did not show how you propose to finance your share of the cost of the exploration. This information should be given, as it will be necessary for you to pay all the costs for about two months if a contract can be approved. The Government only pays its share at the end of each month's work after you have submitted a voucher showing the work performed and costs incurred during that month.

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If you do not wish to participate in the OME program, we shall appreciate being so informed.

Sincerely yours,

Frank E. Johnson

Acting Director

Enclosures

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THKiilsgaard, 5224
FLKnouse
OME Field Team, Region II (2)

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Sincerely yours,

Acting Director

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Santa Ana, Calif.
October 17, 1958.

U. S. Department of the Interior,
D.M.E.A.,
Washington #25, D. C.

To The O.M. E.

RE: Docket No. D. M. E. A. 5017.

Dear Sirs:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of Date Sept. 13, 1958, with the new information, in regard to the new set-up of the O.M.E.

I believe that the new set "is Good it will keep secondary chislers out of the prospecters honest mining field.

I withheld response to your letter of Sept. 13th.-58 because we have been carrying on our assesment work mainly on copper which ~~in~~ body is now exposed one hundred and five feet in width with a shaft started in the center of the Deposit centered in direct line to the center of the Apex of the Hill splitting the body of copper by half. Work completed.

We also have been working on a compound mineral consisting of manganese and silver. Work completed.

Autunite . Work completed.

Thorium Uncomplete
Monozite Uncomplete

Will finish by the end of October 1958 which is our assesment year and shall continue thereon for the year 1959.

So we would appreciate very much any Exploration Aid the Federal Government may Grant us. Subject to His order.

I thank you,

Yours very truly,

John B. Romero

John B. Romero,
506 East 14th. St.,
Santa Ana, California.

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(12-56)

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Mr. John Bruno Romero
506 E. 14th Street
Santa Ana, California

Re: Docket No. DMEA-5017
(Thorium-copper)
San Bernardino County, California

Dear Mr. Romero:

As you have an application for exploration aid pending in our office, perhaps you may wish to study the proposed OME regulations and comment on them before October 17 as provided in the first paragraph of the enclosed notice reprinted from the Federal Register of September 17.

Some time after October 17 when the final regulations become effective, we will send you the new application form so you may furnish any additional information necessary to process your application for aid under the new program.

Sincerely yours,

J. O. Pfaendler

Acting Director

Enclosure

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cc to: Director's Reading File
Field Team, Region II (2)

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8/19/58	Knouse	700
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AUG 19 1958

Mr. John Romero
506 East 14th Street
Santa Ana, California

Re: Docket No. DMEA-5017
(Thorium-copper)
San Juan, et al., Claims
San Bernardino County, California

Dear Mr. Romero:

The legislation to continue the exploration assistance program, referred to in your letter of August 14, is pending. If the aid is continued, we will then ask you to state whether you wish us to consider your application under the new regulations established for the new program.

Sincerely yours,

C. D. [illegible] (for)

Administrator

FLKnouse/gla
8-19-58
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DMEA Field Team, Region II (2) w/2cc incoming letter

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SANTA ANA Calif
AUG 14 th 1958

US DEPT of THE INTERIOR
D.M.E.A. Washington 25. DC
DEAR SIRS AND Chief ADministrator
In A Recent news-paper publication. I noticed that the Federal Goverment has Extended further, financial aid To STRAGETIC minerals Exploration. I HAVE today AND months BEFORE of DATE June 6th 1958 Requested the Field office AT RENO nevada for AID AND I know from Records on my files That THERE WAS Ample Time for my Application To HAVE BEEN GIVEN Some Consideration AND put on Through. OK WE Will forget All of these RETARDED NONSENSE. Keep ME ON THE ACTIVE LIST FOR FINACIAL AID when EVER Time may BE
RE-DOCKET-NO. D.M.E.A. 5017

John B Romero
506 E 14 th ST

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JUL 2 1958

Mr. John B. Romero
506 East 14th Street
Santa Ana, California

Re: Docket No. DMEA-5017
(Thorium-copper)
San Juan, et al., Claims
San Bernardino County, California

Dear Mr. Romero:

With our letter of June 16, 1958, we sent to you the Interior Information Service Release dated June 6 which announced that no new Defense Minerals Exploration Administration contracts could be executed after June 30 because of the ending of the present program for exploration assistance.

We regret to inform you that your application, identified above, could not be completely processed before June 30 because the necessary information requested in our letter of June 16 was not supplied. However, we will be glad to hold your application until the Congress acts on pending legislation to continue the program. If it is continued, we will then ask you to state whether you wish us to consider your application under the new regulations established for this program.

Sincerely yours,

C. O. Mittendorf (for)

Administrator

FLKnouse/gla
7-2-58
cc to: Admr.'s Reading File
THKiilsgaard, 5224
FLKnouse
DMEA Field Team, Region II (2)

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Santa Ana, Calif.
June 23, 1958

Mr. F. L. Knouse
United States Dept. of the Interior
D. M. E. A.
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Knouse:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of your official Department of June 16, 1958. Yes, I am and shall be ready within 30 days to go on with exploration. (Please note my sole object is to sink in to a dipper zone for richer tobernite copper and thorium.) I thank you.

Also on your request, I am submitting a copy of this letter to Mr. Ricker of the D.M.E.A. Docket No. 5017, Reno, Nevada.

Sincerely yours,

John B. Romero

John B. Romero
506 E. 14th St.
Santa Ana, Calif.

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JUN 16 1958

Mr. John B. Romero
506 East 14th Street
Santa Ana, California

Re: Docket No. DMEA-5017
(Thorium-copper)
San Juan, et al., Claims
San Bernardino County, California

Dear Mr. Romero:

Reference is made to Mr. Ricker's letter, dated May 13, 1958, requesting information needed to process your application to explore the above property.

Please advise if you are interested in proceeding with the exploration program and, if so, the approximate date we may expect to receive this information. A copy of your reply should be sent to Mr. Ricker at our Reno, Nevada, office.

Under our new policy announced June 6, copy enclosed, funds to finance new mineral and metal exploration contracts will not be available after June 30. However, if proposed new legislation is enacted, pending applications will be processed at the request of the applicant, under rules and regulations to be established.

Sincerely yours,

F. L. Knouse, Acting Director
Division of Rare and
Miscellaneous Metals

Enclosure

FLKnouse/gla
6-16-58
cc to: Admr.'s Reading File
THKiilsgaard, 5224
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DMEA Field Team, Region II (2)

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

May 15, 1958

Mr. John Bruno Romero
506 E. 11th Street
Santa Ana, California

Subject: DMEA-5017

Dear Mr. Romero:

Your application for exploration assistance, dated May 7, 1958 submitted to our office at Reno, Nevada has been assigned Docket Number DMEA-5017 and referred to the Rare and Miscellaneous Metals Division in the Washington office. Kindly identify all future correspondence relating to your application by this Docket Number.

Sincerely yours,

Allen S. Dakan, Director
Operations Control and
Statistics Division

Copy to:
Region II.