MME Form 52
Jan. 1959

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF MINERALS EXPLORATION

FOR GOVERNMENT USE ONLY
Operator
Docket No. OME –
Contract No. 14-23-090 –
Contract Date

LIEN AND SUBORDINATION AGREEMENTS[1]

To the United States of America:

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Charles D. Spencer, P.O. Box 216, Cahone, Colorado 81338[3]

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(b) Being the holder of a claim, lien, or encumbrance against the land, hereby subordinates his claim, lien, or encumbrance in or against the land and in any production therefrom to the rights of the Government under the Contract with respect to royalty on production and liens to secure same.[4]

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Dated this 30 day of January, 19 67.

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Application
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- [x] Withdrawn

Contract
- [ ] Terminated - Not Certified
- [ ] Terminated - Certified
- [ ] Cancelled
- [ ] Royalty Agreement

The records contained in this file are marked (x) and arranged in this order:

Folder No. 1:

Left Side

- [ ] Royalty Audits
- [ ] Certification of Discovery
- [ ] Closing Letter
- [ ] Cost Audits
- [ ] Termination Notice or Agreement
- [ ] Recision Notice
- [ ] Assignment of Contract
- [ ] Contract Amendments
- [ ] Contract with all exhibits and annexes
- [ ] Owner's Consent to Lien and Subordination Agreement
- [x] Application and attachments

Right Side

- [ ] Project summary (final)
- [ ] Work Completed analysis (final)

All other material filed in chronological order including the following reports if checked:

- [ ] Field Team Semi-Annual Report for Certified Project
- [ ] Final Field Team Report (Tab)
- [ ] Operator's Final Report (Tab)
- [ ] Interim Field Team Reports
- [ ] Operator's monthly reports and all attachments
- [ ] On-site Exam Report (Tab)
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Additional Folders:

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AIRMAIL

JAN 24 1967

Mr. Sherron F. Spencer
P. O. Box 216
Mancos, Colorado

Re: OME-6592 (Gold-Silver)
Sherron F. Spencer
Bluebell Claims
Montezuma County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Spencer:

Preliminary review of your application for financial assistance in exploring the referenced claims indicates that additional information is needed item for item as requested in the application form.

1. Financial Eligibility. To help establish your financial eligibility, copies of correspondence with two banks should be submitted as requested in Item 1.

2. Applicant's Rights in Land. In the application you state you will obtain a lease from the owner if a contract is granted. Please refer to the enclosed OME regulations (Title 30 - Mineral Resources, Sec. 301.4) which explains that to be eligible for exploration assistance you must have the right of possession of the property. One true copy of the lease and five copies of a Lien and Subordination Agreements signed by the owner are required.

The documents referred to above are required by our regulations and cannot be waived by OME. Any additional information as requested in Items 3 - 7 would be helpful in reaching a decision on the geologic probability of a significant discovery.

This request for additional information should not be construed as a commitment by the Government to grant an exploration contract. We shall hold the further processing of your application until the requested data are received.

Sincerely yours,

Frank E. Johnson

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Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

Enclosures

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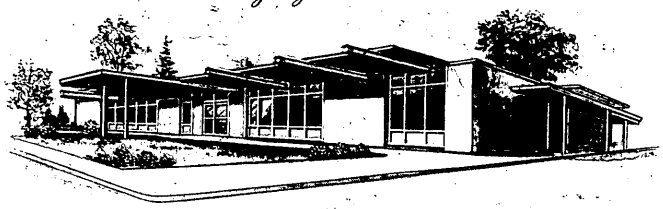
ELEANOR McALLISTER
ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT



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January 30, 1967

Mr. Sherron F. Spencer
Box 216
Mancos, Colorado

Dear Mr. Spencer:

In connection with your application to borrow $65,000.00 for the purpose of developing certain mining property, we are sorry to advise you that your application has been declined. The above amount is in excess of our maximum amount for loans. JNC

If in the future we can be of assistance, please feel free to call on us.

Yours very truly,

Eleanor McAllister

Eleanor McAllister
Assistant Vice President

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Mancos STATE BANK

MANCOS, COLORADO

HANS GLOCKNER
PRESIDENT

January 30, 1967

Mr. Sherron F. Spencer
Spencer Mining Company
P. O. Box 216
Mancos, Colorado

Dear Mr. Spencer:

In regard to your loan application for a loan of $65,000.00 to develope certain mining claims in Montezuma County, Colorado, it is not the type of loan we can handle. This type of loan we cannot handle for a number of reasons, the main one being the amount exceeds our maximum loan limits. 1 N 6

We have enjoyed doing business with you in the past and hope you will call on us again in the future if there is something more in the line that we can handle for you.

Sincerely yours,

James T. Gregory

James T. Gregory
Cashier

Dunn & Bradstreet : 17 94
Spencer Mining Co. Excvt D+Z
D+ = $50,000 – $75,000
Z = "Good" credit rating
17-94 = Excavating

OME-6207
Denied for lack of info.
Applicant not willing (able?)
to furnish basic "Redtape."

MINING LEASE.

This is a Mining Lease entered into,on this 16th. day of January 1967.

Whereby:

I Lillie M. Spencer,owner of certain Mining property located in Montezuma County Colorado,California Mining District,Echo basin.

Downship 37 N.R.11 and 12 W.,N.M.P.M. The Blue-Bell Mining Claims One through Six.

Do hereby Lease to,Sherron F. Spencer,P.O.Box 216,Mancos,Colorado for a term of One-Year,with the option of renewal year by year,if these Claims are found to be comercial to pay to the owner 10% of gross proceeds as Royalty as sold.

Whereby:

The Leasee is required to do at least $1000.00 worth of assesment work per year as long as he holds the lease.

Whereby:

If found to be commercial the Leasee is to install at least a 300 Ton per day Mill in One year.

SIGNED: Lillie M. Spencer
Lillie M. Spencer

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Denver Federal Center - Building 25- Room 2284
Denver, Colorado 80225

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January 16, 1967

Memorandum

To: Field Officer, Region III

From: Field Officer, Region III

Subject: Sherron F. Spencer
Bluebell on through 6
Montezuma, Colorado

Transmitted herewith is an application for financial assistance to explore for gold and silver on the above-mentioned property.

One copy only of each, the letter and application, was received. We are retaining a xeroxed copy for our files.

J. William Hasler
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Field Officer, Region III
Office of Minerals Exploration

Denver Federal Center-Building 25 - Room 2284

January 16, 1967

Mr. Sherron F. Spencer
P. O. Box 216
Mancos, Colorado 81328

Dear Mr. Spencer:

Your application for financial assistance to explore for gold and silver on the Bluebell on through 6, Montezuma, Colorado dated January 13, 1967 was received in this office this morning.

It has been forwarded to the Office of Minerals Exploration in Washington, D. C. and you will be hearing from them in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

J. William Hasler,
Field Officer, Region III
Office of Minerals Exploration

cc: Chief, OME ✓
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Spencer application

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Budget Bureau No. 42-R1508
Approval expires Dec. 31, 1968

UNITED STATES
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APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN MINERALS EXPLORATION

Pursuant to Public Law 85-701 (72 Stat. 700; 30 U.S.C. 641)

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

Sherman F Spencer
PO Box 216.
Manicos Colo

APPLICANT DO NOT USE THIS BLOCK

DOCKET NUMBER: 6592

DATE RECEIVED: 1/17/69

REGION: III

DIVISION CODE:

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: GOLD, SILVER

ESTIMATED COST OF PROJECT: $ 465.000

PROPERTY NAME: BLUEBELL one through 6.

LOCATION — COUNTY: Montezuma — STATE: Colo

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Before filling out this application, please read the *OME Regulations for Obtaining Federal Assistance in Financing Explorations for Mineral Reserves* (30 CFR Chap. III). 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 two 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 2, existing mine workings and geology in item 3, and the proposed exploration work in item 5. 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 3(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 Office of Minerals Exploration, Department of the Interior,* ~~Washington 25, D. C. or the nearest OME Field Office~~ Washington, D. C., 20242, or with the nearest OME 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, and that he would not ordinarily undertake the proposed exploration under current conditions and circumstances at his sole expense.

Jan 13 1969.
DATED

Sherman F Spencer
BY *(Signature)*

if this is approved I will enter into a lease. if not. no reason for lease
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. Financial Eligibility:

(a) Submit evidence of efforts made within 90 days preceding the filing of this application to obtain credit from your bank of account and at least one other banking institution or other private source of credit. Such evidence shall include true copies of correspondence which show: (1) date of loan request, (2) amount and terms requested, (3) proposed use of loan funds, and (4) the replies from credit sources. If the loan was offered under terms which you consider unreasonable, state why you consider them so.

(b) List names and addresses of affiliated, parent, or controlling companies or organizations and state extent and nature of their interest.

(c) State how you propose to furnish your share of the cost of the exploration work.

2. Applicant's Rights in Land:

(a) State your interest in the land and mineral rights, whether owner, lessee, purchaser under contract, or other. If you are not the owner, submit one true copy of the lease, contract, or other document (with address of owner) under which you control the property. Describe all liens, mortgages, or other encumbrances on the land and state book and page number and official place where recorded.

(b) 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 adjacent land which you own or control. Describe any part of the land or workings which should not be subject to Government royalty and liens. If the land consists of unpatented claims, state book and page number for each recorded location notice, including amended locations, and official place where recorded. State all the names by which you know the property.

(c) For all land or mineral rights encumbered or not owned, submit five copies of Lien and Subordination Agreements on MME Form 52. If the agreements cannot be obtained, state reasons and provide copies of letters of refusal.

3. 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 land. Include existing mine workings and all production facilities.

(b) State your interest, if any, in operations described in (a).

(c) State, if 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, giving quantities and grades and sampling methods used. Support 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 have, indicating whether you require their return.

4. Accessibility of Property:

(a) To aid the OME representative who may examine the property, state name and address of person who will meet him; give directions for reaching the property; and describe accessibility of property and of any mine workings.

(b) Name the shipping and supply points and state the distances to the property.

5. Exploration Work:

(a) Describe fully the proposed exploration work giving individual footages and sizes of open[illegible] *for each item of work.* Use narrative, maps, plans, and sections as necessary. Show 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 *land boundaries* or to the closest identifiable corner.

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

(c) If an OME contract is executed, state how soon thereafter work would be started and finished. State your anticipated average daily or monthly rate of progress for each type of work.

6. Experience:

State your operating experience and background to conduct this exploration work and also that of the person who will supervise the work.

7. Estimate of Costs:

Furnish detailed estimates of the necessary costs *for each item of the work proposed in 5(a)* under the headings listed below with a total for each heading and the estimated total cost of the work. Costs for any work to be performed by an independent contractor should be listed separately under category (a) below. Costs for any work that is not to be performed by an independent contractor should be listed under categories (b) through (g).

(a) Independent contracts. State the total cost of any proposed independent contract for all or any part of the work, and the number of units and the unit cost for each type of work, such as per foot of drilling, per foot of drifting, per hour of bulldozer operations, or 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. The cost of supervision, engineering and geological services, outside consultants, and labor should be itemized by numbers and classes of employees; rates of wages, salaries or fees; and periods of employment. State whether these services are available.

(c) Operating materials and supplies. List items of material and supplies giving quantity and cost of each. 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 equipment and tools costing $50 or more per unit. Give specifications and indicate how each item is to be acquired—i.e., rented, purchased or provided by the applicant. If rented or purchased, state the estimated rental or purchase price. If furnished by the applicant, state condition and present fair market value.

(e) Initial rehabilitation and repairs. Describe the type and the cost of *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 in the exploration work.

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

(g) Miscellaneous. Describe the type and estimate the cost of repairs and maintenance of the operating equipment listed in 7(d). Do not repeat initial repairs listed in 7(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*—The Government will not contribute to costs incurred before the date of the contract, or to costs of or incident to: (1) acquiring, using, or possessing land and any existing improvements, facilities, buildings, installations, and appurtenances, or the depreciation and depletion thereof; (2) general overhead, corporate management, interest and taxes (other than payroll and sales taxes); (3) insurance (other than employees' liability insurance); and (4) damages to persons or property (other than authorized repair to or replacement of equipment or other property used in the work).]

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Spencer Mining Company

~~Canela Delivery~~ ~~Fairview Station~~

~~Espanola, New Mexico 87532 Telephone 753-2758~~

Sherron F. Spencer

Lillie M. Spencer

P.O.Box 216
Mancos,Colorado 81328

January 13 1967

Mr. J. William Hasler,
Field Officer,Region 111
Office of Minerals Exploration,
Den.Fed.Cir,Bldg.25 Rm.2284,
Denver,Colorado 80225

Dear Mr.Hasler:

In answere to your letter of Dec. 30 1966,I have done as you suggested and tried several people to see if they would be intrested in the Gold and Silver,or in helping to develope my property,here is the way it stacks up,they will not give me a Yes,or No,because if it is a big bonanza and they can get in for nothing they want in ,so they just give me the stall.

If I did not think there was a chance I would not be spending my time and money.I am willing to gamble my part of $65,000.00 for the exploration if there is not to much stalling and delay on your part, because if there is I will just do the assessment work and leave it idle and tied up for a long time,if there is no intrest in,Gold orSilver, or untill the price goes up where we can produce this low grade at a profit.

I will fill out the application as best as I can and let it go at that, and if there is no intrest on your part,there is no more intrest on my part.

This vein is about 5000 feet long and the Eastend for 2000 feet is old pattened mining property and produced in the 1930's.

Now I want to open Cut several places along the 3000 feet that I hold to the extent of about 30,000 yards at the cost of $60,000.00

Drill about 1650 feet of holes at a cost of $3.00 per foot,I will pay my share as the work progresses.

2-Lease from owner if a contract is made.
B-T.37,N.R.11 and 12 W.,N.M.P.M. bearing S. 46° 06° W. a distance of 5066,8 ,feet No. of Claims 6,you can find Gelogly in proffesional paper 219. Calif. Mining Dist,Montezuma County,Colorado

5-c.If contract is signed within 30 days from this date,work will start April 1 1967 and finish Oct. 1 1967.

Spencer Mining Company

General Delivery
Espanola, New Mexico 87532

Telephone 753-2756

Sherron F. Spencer
Lillie M. Spencer

6-I have been in the mining and construction business for over 40 years.

7--The work will be done by the yard or Foot of drilling.

$2.00 per yard or $3.00 per foot of drilling.

I am not to impressed with the price of Gold nor to anxious to produce any at the present price, so do as you like with this application.

Sincerely Yours,

Sherron F. Spencer

Sherron F. Spencer

Office of Minerals Exploration

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Spencer Mining Company
P. O. Box 216
Mancos, Colorado 81328

Attention of: Mr. Sherron F. Spencer

Dear Mr. Spencer:

We have received your letter of December 16, 1966 relative to the request for funds to explore and develop ore reserves on the Blue-Bell Mining Claims, located in the California Mining District in Montezuma County, Colorado.

Your letter alone will not suffice for an applicaton to explore for unexplored reserves of gold and silver. Consequently, we are enclosing the application forms as well as a pamphlet explaining the Office of Minerals Exploration program.

If we can be of further assistence, please feel free to call or write at any time.

Sincerely yours,

J. William Hasler

J. William Hasler,
Field Officer, Region III
Office of Minerals Exploration

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AIRMAIL

Mr. Sherron F. Spencer
Spencer Mining Company
P. O. Box 216
Mancos, Colorado 81328

Re: OME-6592 (gold-silver)
Sherron F. Spencer
Bluebell Claims
Montezuma County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Spencer:

Thank you for your letter of June 29, 1967, informing us that you have closed down your operations on the referenced property and suggesting that the application be cancelled. Accordingly, we shall consider this application as having been withdrawn and place it in our inactive files.

If you wish to reopen this case at any time you may do so by submitting a new application, referring to this OME docket number, furnishing new bank letters, and new information pertinent to the proposed work. This information should include assay certificates and a map showing the location of the proposed work, the location of veins and samples, and the extent of your undisputed property rights. Data already submitted need not be repeated.

We regret that an application often entails engineering expense and costly delays unless the applicant himself furnishes the necessary data. However, without the information requested on the back of the application form we have no basis for a decision, and no alternatives but to deny or withdraw the application.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK E. JOHNSON

Frank E. Johnson
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

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Mr.Frank E.Johnson,
Chief,Office of Mineral Exploration,
U.S.Department of The Interior,
Washington,25,D.C.

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Re:OME-6592(Gold and Silver)
Mr.Sherron F. Spencer
Blue-Bell on through
6 property,Montezuma
County,Colorado

I received a letter from,Mr.Charles Butler,today,copy enclosed.As I stated in my letter to you May 20th.I can not go that route because of the expense and delay envolved,I have closed the operation down mostly because of the unreolistic price the goverment has on Gold, if the price was more favorable we would not need any goverment assistance so if the OME,ever gets around to it and I am still intrested,we may go ahead,but this year is pretty well gone now.

As for the over lap Hasler,mentioned,we knew that when we surveyed the property you just can't hold that portion that overlaps,if the overlap made any differance do you think I would be spending my own money on the property?.,

This deal is falling apart ~~apart~~ faster than I can put it togeather, Bell-Champion,the low bidder on the work is changeing hands now the new owner wants to with draw their Bid,as they want no part of the OME,so I would have to find another bidder,and you want to put me to the expense of $1500.00 to $2000.00,more on engineering and more delay. So best we probably forget the whole mess and cancel the application.

Sincerely Yours:

Sherron F Spencer

Sherron F. Spencer

Phone F.O. 7/7/67
Recommends withdraw
Leave open for future

CHARLES R. BUTLER
GEOLOGIST
P. O. BOX 435
DURANGO, COLORADO 81301

WEST BUILDING

PHONE 247-1092

June 27, 1967

Mr. Sherran F. Spencer
P.O. Box 216
Mancos, Colorado

Dear Sherran,

I have been on the go constantly since I last talked to you, and the way it looks now I will be busy on other commitments for at least the next two weeks.

Bill Hassler of OME told me that he thought your project had merit. However he is quite concerned about an apparent overlap of your claim group with another patented claim - the Independence I believe. You will definitely have to show where this claim lies in relation to your own group.

The application itself is inadequate and I would estimate at least two weeks field and office work to get it in shape.

Sorry I can't be more helpful right now. I will contact you later, and see if there is anything I can do for you.

Best regards,

Charles

Charles R. Butler

June 10 1967

Mr. J.William Hasler,
Field Officer,Regionlll,
Office of Minerals Exploration,
U.S.Department of The Interior
Federal Center,
Denver,Colo.80225

RE:OME-6592(Gold and Silver)
Blue-Bell,on through 6
property
Montezuma County,Colorado

Dear Mr.Hasler:

I have tried two,Engineers and Geologists,since you were here,they both want $100.00,per day and 5% of the property,and a minimum of 5 days at $100.00,per day and will have the first report ready in 3 weeks.

I will have to do the best as I can to give you the program.

I would like to put 8 Dozer cuts across the vein at about equal distances apart from the present mill site,to the timderline claims,belonging to the Doyl property.

Eighty(80),days of Dozer work Ten(10) hours per day.Some of the cuts will be 600 Ft.long and probably 40 feet deep,and 300 Ft.Drilling to be put in the cuts.

It is not so much of the price of $500.00 of the Engineers and Geologists it's the matter of three weeks delay.

50 samples at about $3.00 per sample for asseying.

If you would let me know what other information you need I will be glad to give it to you,as for my financial condition,my county Tax Evaluation is about$15,000.00,other than that my condition chandes quite fast.

Enclousers: Contract Bids
Lin Crawford
Bell Champion Mining Co.
Inc.

Sincerely Yours,

Sherron F. Spencer

Spencer Mining Company

P. O. Box 216 Telephone 533-2591

Mancos, Colorado 81328

Sherron F. Spencer

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Mr. Frank E.Johnson,
Cheif,Office of Mineral Exploration,
U.S.Department of The Interior,
Washington,25 D.C.

Dear Mr.Johnson:

RE:OME-6592(Gold and Silver)
Mr. Sherron F. Spencer
Blue-Bell on through 6 propert
Montezuma County,Colorado

I am no longer intrested in obtaining your OME Loan.This makes twice I have tried in the past five to six years,and both times I have been stalled and given the run around,you must remember one-half,of it is my money.

If I did not think I had a chance of getting it back I would not have put it in the venture,according to Mr. Hasler,his work load is to great. If he did make a favorable report it would be to late to do any good this year.

So I will just hold the property and wait for the price of Gold and Silver to get more favorable so I can go on my own without the Bureaus help and interferance.

Sincerely Yours,

Sherron F Spencer

Sherron F. Spencer

ENclouse Hasler letters
April 17 and May 19 1967
cc to J.William Hasler
Denver,Colo.

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Field Exam. scheduled June 7
Phone F.O. Not withdrawn
unless reconfirmed by A.
Field Exam made June 7
needs sampling, geol.
Part of work may be on disputed ground
Needs survey & search

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Mr. Sherron F. Spencer
Spencer Mining Company
P. O. Box 216
Mancos, Colorado 81328

Subject: OME-6592 (Gold and Silver)
Mr. Sherron F. Spencer
Blue-Bell on through 6 property
Montezuma County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Spencer:

In my letter to you dated May 19, 1967, I informed you that it would be possible to make a field examination, possibly the second week in June. I will be in the general area the week of June 5 and should like to make an examination of your property relative to your OME application 6592 on the Blue-Bell on through 6 property, Montezuma County, Colorado on June 7.

Unless I hear further from you, I shall plan to meet you at your home in Mancos, Colorado the morning of June 7.

I am sorry that my plans have been such that they have possibly been a hindrance to you.

Sincerely yours,

J. William Hasler
J. William Hasler, m.c.
Field Officer, Region III
Office of Minerals Exploration

cc: Chief, OME
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Note to Chief, OME: This letter to Mr. Spencer setting a date for a field examination was written just prior to my having received a copy of Mr. Spencer's letter to you dated May 20th. Unless I hear further from Mr. Spencer, I shall plan to make a field examination or unless you deem it advisable to withdraw the application in reply to his letter of May 20th.

JWH.

Office of Minerals Exploration

May 19, 1967

Mr. Sherron F. Spencer
Spencer Mining Company
P. O. Box 216
Mancos, Colorado 81328

Subject: OME-6592 (Gold and Silver)
Mr. Sherron F. Spencer
Blue-Bell on through 6 property
Montezuma County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Spencer:

Due to a heavy workload and previous committments, it will not be possible to make a field examination concerning your property before the second week of June. I will inform you as to the exact date.

Sincerely yours,

J. William Hasler,
Field Officer, Region III
Office of Minerals Exploration

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April 17, 1967

Mr. Sherron F. Spencer
Spencer Mining Company
P. O. Box 216
Mancos, Colorado 81328

Subject: OME-6592 (Gold and Silver)
Blue-Bell on through 6 property
Montezuma County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Spencer:

I have received your letter of April 13 today concerning the field inspection of the Blue-Bell mining claims, Montezuma County, Colorado on which you applied for an exploration loan. Since you report there is still some seven feet of snow on the property, it seems advisable to postpone the examination until the latter part of May since a field inspection will involve more than just examining the vein itself.

We will set a tentative date for a field examination for Wednesday, May 24. Please inform me the week of May 15 as to whether or not the snow will be melted enough that I can make a thorough examination of the property. Enough of the geology should be exposed so that a fair examination can be made.

Sincerely yours,

J. William Hasler,
Field Officer, Region III
Office of Minerals Exploration

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Copy of this sent to Wash. 4-17-67

Spencer Mining Company

P. O. Box 216 Telephone 533-2591

Mancos, Colorado 81328

Sherron F. Spencer

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Denver, Colorado

Mr. J.William Hasler,Field Officer,Region 111,
U.S.Department of the Interior,
Office of Minerals Exploration,
Geological Survey,
Federal Center,
Denver Colorado 80225

RE:OME-6592(Gold and Silver)
Blue-Bell on through 6 property,
Montezuma County,Colo.

Dear Mr. Hasler:

I am writeing you to find out what it isyou want to do on your inspection of the Blue-Bell,Mining Claims in regrad to the OME Loan.

There is about seven foot of snow on the property now and will be snow covered untill about the First of June,if you want I will make arrangements to have a bulldozer remove the snow in places so you can look at the vein and have it uncovered by the time you set of,April the 27th.

Sincerely Yours,

Sherron F. Spencer

Sherron F. Spencer

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Mr. J.William Hasler,
Field Officer,Region III
Office of Minerals Exploration,
U.S.Dept.of Interior,
Federal Building,
Denver,Colo.

RE:OME-6592(Gold and Silver)
Blue-Bell on Through 6 property,
Montezuma County,Colorado

Dear Mr.Hasler:

Received your letter of March 24th.'67,was out of town the reason you were unable to reach me via phone,the phone number on letter is correct.

Your date of comeing to check the property on April the 27th.will be alright,am sure we can get there with out any trouble.

Thank You,for your letter and I will be expecting you.

Sincerely Yours,

Sherron F. Spencer

Sherron F. Spencer (Sec)

Office of Minerals Exploration

March 24, 1967

Mr. Sherron F. Spencer
P. O. Box 216
Mancos, Colorado 81328

Subject: OME-6592 (Gold and Silver)
Blueball on through 6 property
Montezuma County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Spencer:

Your application OME-6592 for assistance in minerals exploration through the Office of Minerals Exploration on the Blueball on through 6 claims in Montezuma County has been referred to the field. During the past week we have tried to phone you, but were unable to get an answer. The only number we have been able to obtain (through the operator) is Mancos, Colorado 2391. Will you please let us know if this is correct or if there is another phone where we can contact you?

I would appreciate your informing me as to how soon we can get on the property in order to make a field examination. If the property can be examined during the last week in April, I can possibly schedule a visit to the property Thursday, April 27th.

Sincerely yours,

J. William Hasler

J. William Hasler,
Field Officer, Region III
Office of Minerals Exploration

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Spencer Mining Company

P. O. Box 216 Telephone 533-2591

Mancos, Colorado 81328

Sherron F. Spencer

Lillie M. Spencer

March 19 1967

Mr. Frank E. Johnson, Chief,
Office of Minerals Exploration,
Geological Survey,
United States, Department of The Interior,
Washington, 25 D.C.

RE: OME-6592 (Gold-Silver)
Sherron F. Spencer
Bluebell Claims
Montezuma County, Colorado.

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Is this your usual way of doing business?

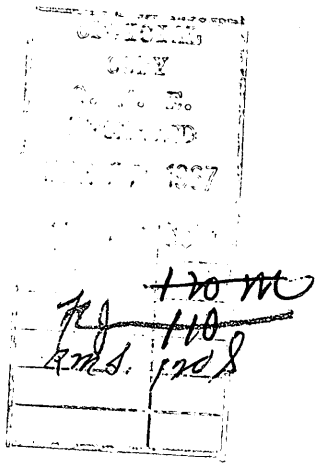
You said in your letter of Feb. 3 1967, that I would hear from the Denver, office and as of to day, no answere.

If you do not have any money or do not want to do any business it would be only good manners to say so.

Sincerely Yours,

Sherron F. Spencer

Sherron F. Spencer



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Memorandum

To: Field Officer, Region III

From: Chief, Office of Minerals Exploration

Subject: OME-6592 (Gold-Silver)
Sherron F. Spencer
Bluebell Claims
Montezuma County, Colorado

The application is referred to Region III for a field examination and recommendations.

Our review of this incomplete application, of the Applicant's reply to our request for additional information, and of a former application by the same Applicant (OME-6207) indicates that it would be impractical to try to obtain sufficient information from the Applicant. In view of the former application, which was denied for lack of enough information to justify a field examination, we consider that an examination of the Bluebell claims should be made, preferably in conjunction with other work in the same area.

The principal criterion for reaching a decision on this application is geologic. If there is a reasonable probability of making a significant discovery, and if you recommend a contract, then the following documents from the Applicant will be required:

1. A recent financial statement

2. Maps suitable for your report and for a contract

Copies of the bank letters and the Mining Lease are enclosed for your records.

FRANK E. JOHNSON

Frank E. Johnson

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cc: Director's Reading File
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Mr. Sherron F. Spencer
P. O. Box 216
Mancos, Colorado

Re: OME-6592 (Gold-Silver)
Sherron F. Spencer
Bluebell Claims
Montezuma County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Spencer:

Thank you for returning our letter of January 24, 1967, with which you enclosed letters from two banks, a Mining Lease, and five signed copies of a Lien and Subordination Agreements.

The application has now been referred to Mr. J. William Hasler, Field Officer, Region III, Office of Minerals Exploration, U. S. Geological Survey, Building 25, Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225.

The Regional Office will notify you if additional information concerning the application is needed.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK E. JOHNSON

Frank E. Johnson
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

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AIRMAIL

Mr. Sherron F. Spencer
P. O. Box 216
Mancos, Colorado

Re: OME-6592 (Gold-Silver)
Sherron F. Spencer
Bluebell Claims
Montezuma County, Colorado

Dear Mr. Spencer:

Preliminary review of your application for financial assistance in exploring the referenced claims indicates that additional information is needed item for item as requested in the application form.

1. Financial Eligibility. To help establish your financial eligibility, copies of correspondence with two banks should be submitted as requested in Item 1.

2. Applicant's Rights in Land. In the application you state you will obtain a lease from the owner if a contract is granted. Please refer to the enclosed OME regulations (Title 30 - Mineral Resources, Sec. 301.4) which explains that to be eligible for exploration assistance you must have the right of possession of the property. One true copy of the lease and five copies of a Lien and Subordination Agreements signed by the owner are required.

The documents referred to above are required by our regulations and cannot be waived by OME. Any additional information as requested in Items 3 - 7 would be helpful in reaching a decision on the geologic probability of a significant discovery.

This request for additional information should not be construed as a commitment by the Government to grant an exploration contract. We shall hold the further processing of your application until the requested data are received.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK E. JOHNSON

Frank E. Johnson
Chief, Office of
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Enclosures

(5 copies of MME Form 52 (Lien and Subordination Agreements) also were sent the Applicant.)

Mr. Smith
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January 17, 1967

Mr. Sherron F. Spencer
P. O. Box 216
Mancos, Colorado

Subject: OME - 6592

Dear Mr. Spencer:

Your application for exploration assistance, dated January 13, 1967, submitted to our office at Denver, Colorado, has been assigned Docket No. OME-6592.

Please identify all future correspondence relating to your application by this docket number.

Sincerely yours,

Frank E. Johnson
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

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