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Price Minerals, Inc.
P. O. Box 455
LaGrange, Georgia

Re: Project No. [illegible] - Beryl
Price Minerals, Inc.
Waugh Property
Troup County, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Your application for aid for an exploration project and other data available to us in Washington relating to the above-named property have been reviewed.

Projects approved by the Defense Minerals Exploration Administration must, in its judgment, show definite promise of yielding materials of acceptable grade in quantities that will significantly improve the mineral supply position for the National Defense Program.

Careful study of all our information indicates to us that the probability of disclosing significant reserves of beryl by your proposed program is not sufficiently promising to justify Government participation. We regret to advise you, under these circumstances, that your application for exploration assistance is denied.

We wish to thank you for your interest in the Defense Minerals Program and for bringing your property to our attention.

Sincerely yours,

Frank E. Johnson

ACTING Administrator

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Field Team, Region V
Mr. Hildegard, 5222
Mr. Penn, 5621A
Mr. Hook

February 17, 1955

Memorandum

To: Administrator

From: Nonmetallic Minerals Division

Subject: A denial of exploration assistance and summary report

By: James Hopkins

1. Docket No. DMEA-3601 - Beryl
Property: Waugh Property
Troup County, Georgia

Applicant: Price Minerals, Inc.
P. O. Box 455
LaGrange, Georgia

Application: Typed MF-103 dated December 6, 1954.
Work Proposed:

Trenching (no stated amount) by bulldozer
12 weeks (estimated) $10,646.74
The applicant stated he would bulldoze two trenches across the pegmatite. Size of trenches are not given.

Labor and supervision	$ 5,400.00
Operating material & supplies	540.86
Operating equipment	3,438.00
Rehabilitation & repair	300.00
Miscellaneous	967.88
	$10,646.74

No contract: Application denied.

2. Comments:

A medium fine grained, unzoned pegmatite 8 feet wide extending over a strike length of 100 feet was found by pits trenches and auger holes. It is composed of perthite, scattered smoky quartz, green mica, scattered beryl crystals and red garnet. The beryl is sparse and and in very small sizes. The pegmatite is found cross-cutting hornblende gneiss.

An estimated 100 pounds of beryl was recovered from a pit 15' X 15' and 10 feet deep. At a locality 300 feet distant from the pegmatite a few beryl crystals have been obtained from an accumulation of float quartz.

The examining team recommend denial of the application because the possibility for the discovery of a worthwhile beryl or mica deposit is very remote.

The Nonmetallic Minerals Division concur in the denial. The commodity divisions of the Geological Survey and the Bureau of Mines also concur in the denial.

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Mr. Houk

IN REPLY REFER TO:

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

February 11, 1955

Re: DMEA-3601
Prime Minerals, Inc.
(Waugh Property)
Troup Co., Georgia
$10,647 - Beryl

Memorandum

To: L. G. Houk, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

From: E. L. Newcomb, U. S. Geological Survey

Subject: Review of Field Examination Report

The Field Team has recommended this application be denied.

Prospecting by the applicant has indicated the presence of a pegmatite over a strike length of at least 100 feet. Although the pegmatite is 8 feet thick, it is unzoned and contains only sparse amounts of scattered, small beryl crystals. The character of the deposit does not indicate that a significant discovery can reasonably be expected by DMEA exploration on this property.

I concur with the Field Team's conclusions, and recommend this application be denied.

E. L. Newcomb

ELNewcomb:hlm
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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Defense Minerals Administration
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February 2, 1955

Memorandum

To: L. G. Houk, Director, Non-Metallic Minerals Division, DMPA

From: Commodity-Industry Analyst, Branch of Rare and Precious Metals

Subject: Field Examination Report on DMPA-3601, Price Minerals Co. Troup County, Ga. (Beryl)

I concur with the Field Team's recommendation that the application be denied.

Horace T. Reno

HTReno:jtmc

Copy to: Division of Minerals
Branch of Rare and Precious Metals
DMPA (3 copies)
H. T. Reno
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January 26, 1955

Memorandum

To: Operating Committee, DMEA - Washington

From: Field Team, DMEA - Region V- Knoxville

Subject: Field Examination Report on DMEA-3601, Price Minerals Co.
Troup County, Ga.

Transmitted are four copies of the subject report.

The Field Team is in agreement with the examiners that this application should be denied.

Wm. A. Beck, Acting
EXECUTIVE OFFICER
DMEA REGION V

K. H. Teague, Geologist
U. S. Geological Survey

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FIELD TEAM EXAMINATION REPORT, REGION V

On

DMEA-3601, WAUGH PROPERTY (beryl)
Troup County, Georgia

BY

Wm. A. Beck, Mining Engineer
U. S. Bureau of Mines
and
J. F. O'Neill, Mining Engineer
U. S. Bureau of Mines
and

K. H. Teague, Geologist
U. S. Geological Survey

January 13, 1955

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FIELD EXAMINATION REPORT
On
WAUGH PROPERTY (beryl)
DMEA-3601

Applicant: Price Minerals, P.O. Box 455, LaGrange, Georgia

Beryl has been found at two places on this property, but neither occurrence shows sufficient beryl to justify exploration. The application should be denied.

This deposit was examined on January 13, 1955. Messrs. Will E. Morgan and Thomas E. Braswell accompanied the examiners on the inspection which required two hours.

The Waugh Property is 1 mile airline north of LaGrange, Troup County, Georgia. It is one-half mile east of U. S. Highway No. 27 along the north side of a new soil road. Access is excellent at all times.

Beryl has been found at two localities on this property.

West of stream

Recent prospecting by the applicant by pits, trenches, and auger holes shows the presence of an 8-foot thick pegmatite over a strike length of about 100 feet. It is medium fine grained, unzoned, trends N. 40° E., dips 80° NW crosscutting weathered hornblende gneiss, and is composed of perthite, scattered smoky quartz, green mica, scattered beryl crystals and red garnet. An estimated 100 pounds of beryl was recovered from a pit 15' x 15' and 10 feet deep. The beryl is sparce and in very small sizes. It occurs scattered throughout the pegmatite. The possibility for the discovery of a worthwhile beryl or mica deposit at this place is very poor; therefore, the examiners recommend denial.

East of stream

This locality is about 300 yards northeast of the one described above. A thick accumulation of float quartz is scattered along the hillside. A few small beryl crystals have been obtained from the quartz float. No prospecting has been done here, thus the character of the underlying rock cannot be appraised; however, the distribution of the float suggests that the quartz has resulted from the weathering out of numerous thin quartz pods and veins. Certainly beryl is not sufficiently abundant to justify exploration.

Date of Examination-January 13, 1955.

Wm. A. Beck and J. F. O'Neill, Mining Engineers
U. S. Bureau of Mines

K. H. Teague, Geologist, U. S. Geological Survey.

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Mr. Robert A. Laurence
Executive Officer, DMEA
Field Team, Region VII
Room 13, Post Office Bldg.
Knoxville 2, Tennessee

Subject: Docket No. DMEA-3601 - Beryl
Price Minerals, Inc.
Waugh Property
Troup County, Georgia

Dear Mr. Laurence:

Please review the subject application and arrange for a field examination if you deem it necessary.

Copies of memoranda from the Geological Survey, dated December 14, 1954, and from the Bureau of Mines, dated December 10, 1954, are enclosed for your information.

Sincerely yours,

George C. Selfridge

Chairman, Operating Committee

Approved:

C. H. JOHNSON

Member, Bureau of Mines

Thor H. Kiilsgaard

Member, Geological Survey

Enclosures 4

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Mr. Kiilsgaard, 5222
Mr. Reno, 3641A
Mr. Houk

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Price Minerals, Inc.
P. O. Box 455
LaGrange, Georgia

Re: Docket No. DMEA-3601 - Beryl
Price Minerals, Inc.
Waugh Property
Troup County, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Your application for assistance in exploring the subject property has been reviewed by the Nonmetallic Minerals Division of the Defense Minerals Exploration Administration and has been referred to Mr. Robert A. Laurence, Executive Officer, DMEA Field Team, Region VII, Room 13, Post Office Building, Knoxville 2, Tennessee, for further consideration and possibly a field examination.

The Regional Office will contact you at an early date if an examination is to be made. Any assistance that you may give the members of the field team during the examination will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

C. O. Mittendorf

Administrator

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Mr. Kiilsgaard, 5222
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IN REPLY REFER TO:

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

December 14, 1954

Re: DMEA-3601
Price Minerals, Inc.
(Waugh Property)
Troup Co., Georgia
$10,647 - Beryl

Memorandum

To: L. G. Houk, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

From: E. L. Newcomb, U. S. Geological Survey

Subject: Review of application

The applicant apparently proposes to trench the property for favorable exposures of beryl-bearing pegmatite.

We do not have any information on this property in our files. Mr. Lawrence in his transmittal memorandum states that he does not know of any publication which describes this prospect.

Inasmuch as the applicant's supporting data is inadequate, I do not believe we are justified at the present time to send this application to the Field Team for an on-site examination.

The applicant states that he has stockpiled 100 pounds of beryl and 200 pounds of scrap mica which were produced during one week of recent exploratory work. No evidence of the grade of this material has been submitted.

I recommend that the applicant be requested to submit further appropriate data on the geology of his property, a more complete map, and an assay certificate of representative material from the bedrock of the pegmatite deposit.

E. L. Newcomb

ELNewcomb:hlm
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December 10, 1954

Memorandum

To: Lawrence G. Houk, Director, Non-Metallic Minerals Division, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

From: Commodity-Industry Analyst, Rare and Precious Metals Branch, Bureau of Mines

Subject: Application for exploration loan (beryl), Price Minerals, Inc., P. O. Box 455, LaGrange, Georgia

It is recommended that subject application be referred to the field for an examination of the property.

Signed

Horace T. Reno

HTReno:jtm

Copy to: Minerals Division
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WASHINGTON 25, D.C.
KNOXVILLE 2, TENN.

December 10, 1954

Memorandum

To: Operating Committee, DMEA - Washington

From: K. H. Teague, for R. A. Laurence, Executive Officer, DMEA

Subject: Application, Price Minerals, Inc., P.O. Box 455, LaGrange, Ga. (beryl)

Please refer to our memorandum of December 7, transmitting the application on the subject applicant.

There are attached the two extra copies of the Owner's Consent to Lien we requested, also Mortgagor's Consent to Lien.

Two copies of Owner's Consent to Lien signed by Mr. T. R. Hutchinson are also attached.

K. H. Teague

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December 7, 1954

Memorandum

To: Operating Committee, DMEA - Washington

From: Executive Officer, DMEA - Region VII - Knoxville, Tennessee

Subject: Application, Price Minerals, Inc., P.O. Box 455, LaGrange, Ga. (beryl)

Enclosed are three copies of the subject application, accompanied by four signed copies (each) of Owner's Consent to Lien and Mortgagors' Consent to Lien. The applicant has been asked to supply two more signed copies of each of the Consent to Lien forms. The fourth copy of the application is being kept here for our use.

Also enclosed are three copies of the lease, three copies of a general location map, and three copies of a sketch map of the property. According to the applicant, all the Waugh property between US-27 and Youngs Mill Road, but none west of US-27, is to be included in the application.

The applicant's agent, Mr. Will Morgan of LaGrange, Georgia brought with him a sample of pegmatite containing a single green beryl crystal about 1½ inches in diameter and 5 or 6 inches long, said to have come from the shaft at Knoll # 1. Applicant has spent $640 in the preliminary work at this site.

Although not specifically stated in the application, their proposal is to trench across the pegmatite at both the knolls shown on their map. Equipment listed under item 6d is owned by Price Dredging Corporation, and Price Minerals, Inc., proposes to rent it at the rates listed. Mr. W. T. Price, Jr., of Miami, Florida is president of both corporations. We pointed out that the dragline and the drill rig (which is a 4-inch power auger) would not be useful on an exploration job of this kind.

This deposit is not described in any publication that I know of.

Robert A. Laurence

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