MME Form 18
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OFFICE OF MINERALS EXPLORATION

ANALYSIS OF ANNUAL REPORT
OF CERTIFIED PROJECT OR PROJECT UNDER ROYALTY AGREEMENT

Division of Minerals prepares in duplicate, files original in official docket, and sends copy -

To: (1) Code 110 (for verification or adjustment)
(2) Code 210

Docket No.	Operator	Report Period To: 12/29/60
DMEA-4580	Benjamin Putnam, Assignee	Contract No. Idm-E 1088

ORE ESTIMATES	Original DMEA or OME (From Final Report)	Revised DMEA or OME	Found by Operator after DMEA-OME work
Analysis	± 3% zinc		
Tons Found	450,000		
Tons Produced (Ore or Concentrate)	None		
Previously Reported	"		
This Period	"		
Tons Remaining	450,000		

Comments of Analyst:

Drilling was on wide spaced fences. Additional drilling by Operator should increase reserve estimated at this time.

Prepared by F. M. Wemyslay Date 1/4/61

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United States Department of the Interior

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
RESTON, VIRGINIA 22092

IN REPLY REFER TO: Office of Minerals Exploration

May 19, 1978

Re: DMEA-4580 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam, Assignee
Puncheon Camp Creek Area
Grainger County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1088

Mr. Benjamin H. Putnam
334 Beharrell Avenue
P.O. Box 614
New Albany, Indiana 47150

Dear Mr. Putnam:

After the completion of the approved exploration work under the contract identified above, we asked to be informed about changes in the status of the property and production from it during the period of royalty obligation.

To assist you to furnish this information and to assure the accuracy of our records, please answer the questions on the back of this letter and return two copies to this office with copies of any pertinent documents.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Kirkemo

Harold Kirkemo, Chief
Office of Minerals Exploration

Form MME 63
(May 1970)

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON CERTIFIED PROJECT OR PROJECT UNDER ROYALTY AGREEMENT

1. Since March 4, 1977, has there been a change in ownership, lease, or sublease? *If yes, please state details of the transaction below and provide a true or signed copy of the pertinent documents, unless they have been provided before.* Yes ☐ No ☒

2. Since March 4, 1977, has there been any production from the land subject to the contract? Yes ☐ No ☒

A. If so and it was shipped, give quantity, value, and name and address of purchaser.

Purchaser (*name and address*)	Quantity	Value

B. If stockpiled awaiting sale, state quantity, grade, and location.

Type	Quantity (*tons*)	Estimated Grade	Location
Ore			
Concentrates			
Other			

3. Since workings (*see* , has any production been transported through *of contract*)? Yes ☐ No ☐

If so, state quantity, value, and disposition of material.

Disposition of Material	Quantity	Value

Submitted by:

Name Benjamin H. Putnam BENJAMIN H. PUTNAM	*Title* Owner
Address 334 Beharrell Ave (Box 614) New Albany, Indiana 47150	*Date* 6/17/78

United States Department of the Interior

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
RESTON, VIRGINIA 22092

IN REPLY REFER TO: Office of Minerals Exploration

February 17, 1977

Re: DMEA-4580 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam, Assignee
Puncheon Camp Creek Area
Grainger County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1088

Mr. Benjamin H. Putnam
334 Beharrell Avenue
P.O. Box 614
New Albany, Indiana 47150

Dear Mr. Putnam:

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To assist you to furnish this information and to assure the accuracy of our records, please answer the questions on the back of this letter and return ~~two~~ 3 copies to this office with copies of any pertinent documents.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Kirkemo, Chief
Office of Minerals Exploration

Form MME 63
(May 1970)

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON CERTIFIED PROJECT OR PROJECT UNDER ROYALTY AGREEMENT

1. Since May 14, 1975, has there been a change in ownership, lease, or sublease? *If yes, please state details of the transaction below and provide a true or signed copy of the pertinent documents, unless they have been provided before.* Yes ☐ No ☒

2. Since May 14, 1975, has there been any production from the land subject to the contract? Yes ☐ No ☒

A. If so and it was shipped, give quantity, value, and name and address of purchaser.

Purchaser *(name and address)*	Quantity	Value

B. If stockpiled awaiting sale, state quantity, grade, and location.

Type	Quantity *(tons)*	Estimated Grade	Location
Ore			
Concentrates			
Other			

3. Since workings *(see* , has any production been transported through *of contract)*? Yes ☐ No ☐

If so, state quantity, value, and disposition of material.

Disposition of Material	Quantity	Value

Submitted by:

Name Benjamin H. Putnam Benjamin H. Putnam	*Title* Owner
Address 334 Beharrell Ave. (Box 614) New Albany, Indiana 47150	*Date* March 4, 1977

United States Department of the Interior

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
RESTON, VIRGINIA 22092

IN REPLY REFER TO: Office of Minerals Exploration

April 4, 1975

Re: DMEA-4580 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam, Assignee
Puncheon Camp Creek Area
Grainger County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1088

Mr. Benjamin H. Putnam
334 Beharrell Avenue
P.O. Box 614
New Albany, Indiana 47150

Dear Mr. Putnam:

After the completion of the approved exploration work under the contract identified above, we asked to be informed about changes in the status of the property and production from it during the period of royalty obligation.

To assist you to furnish this information and to assure the accuracy of our records, please answer the questions on the back of this letter and return two copies to this office with copies of any pertinent documents.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Kirkemo

Harold Kirkemo, Chief
Office of Minerals Exploration

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Form MME 63
(May 1970)

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON CERTIFIED PROJECT OR PROJECT UNDER ROYALTY AGREEMENT

1. Since **August 28, 1973**, has there been a change in ownership, lease, or sublease? *If yes, please state details of the transaction below and provide a true or signed copy of the pertinent documents, unless they have been provided before.* Yes ☐ No ☒

2. Since **August 28, 1973**, has there been any production from the land subject to the contract? Yes ☐ No ☒

A. If so and it was shipped, give quantity, value, and name and address of purchaser.

Purchaser *(name and address)*	Quantity	Value

B. If stockpiled awaiting sale, state quantity, grade, and location.

Type	Quantity *(tons)*	Estimated Grade	Location
Ore			
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Other			

3. Since workings *(see* , has any production been transported through *of contract)*? Yes ☐ No ☐

If so, state quantity, value, and disposition of material.

Disposition of Material	Quantity	Value

Submitted by:

Name Benjamin H. Putnam	*Title* Owner
Address 334 Beharrell Ave. (Box 614) New Albany, Indiana 47150	*Date* May 14, 1975

United States Department of the Interior

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20242

IN REPLY REFER TO: Office of Minerals Exploration

June 29, 1973

Mr. Benjamin H. Putnam
334-343 Beharrell Avenue
P. O. Box 614
New Albany, Indiana 47150

Re: DMEA-4980 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam, Assignee
Punchcon Camp Creek Area
Grainger County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1088
and
DMEA 5026 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam
Luttrell Prospect
Union County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1215

Dear Mr. Putnam:

After the completion of the approved exploration work under the contract identified above, we asked to be informed about changes in the status of the property and production from them during the period of royalty obligation.

To assist you to furnish this information and to assure the accuracy of our records, please answer the questions on the back of this letter and return three copies to this office with copies of any pertinent documents.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Kirkemo
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

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Form MME 63
(May 1970)

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON CERTIFIED PROJECT OR PROJECT UNDER ROYALTY AGREEMENT

1. Since September 22, 1972, has there been a change in ownership, lease, or sublease? *If yes, please state details of the transaction below and provide a true or signed copy of the pertinent documents, unless they have been provided before.* Yes ☐ No ☒

2. Since September 22, 1972, has there been any production from the land subject to the contract? Yes ☐ No ☒

A. If so and it was shipped, give quantity, value, and name and address of purchaser.

Purchaser *(name and address)*	Quantity	Value

B. If stockpiled awaiting sale, state quantity, grade, and location.

Type	Quantity *(tons)*	Estimated Grade	Location
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Other			

3. Since workings *(see* , has any production been transported through *of contract)*? Yes ☐ No ☐

If so, state quantity, value, and disposition of material.

Disposition of Material	Quantity	Value

Submitted by:

Name Benjamin H. Putnam	*Title* Owner
Address P. O. Box 614 New Albany, Indiana 47150	*Date* August 28, 1973

Owner

United States Department of the Interior

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20242

IN REPLY REFER TO: Office of Minerals Exploration

SEP 8 1972

Mr. Benjamin H. Putnam
343 Beharrell Avenue
P. O. Box 614
New Albany, Indiana 47150

Re: DMEA-4580 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam, Assignee
Puncheon Camp Creek Area
Grainger County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1088
and
DMEA-5026 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam
Luttrell Prospect
Union County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1215

Dear Mr. Putnam:

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Sincerely yours,

Harold Kirkemo

Harold Kirkemo
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

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Form MME 63
(May 1970)

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON CERTIFIED PROJECT OR PROJECT UNDER ROYALTY AGREEMENT

1. Since December 11, 1971 has there been a change in ownership, lease, or sublease? *If yes, please state details of the transaction below and provide a true or signed copy of the pertinent documents, unless they have been provided before.* Yes ☐ No ☒

2. Since December 11, 1971, has there been any production from the land subject to the contract? Yes ☐ No ☒

A. If so and it was shipped, give quantity, value, and name and address of purchaser.

Purchaser *(name and address)*	Quantity	Value

B. If stockpiled awaiting sale, state quantity, grade, and location.

Type	Quantity *(tons)*	Estimated Grade	Location
Ore			
Concentrates			
Other			

3. Since workings *(see* , has any production been transported through *of contract)*? Yes ☐ No ☐

If so, state quantity, value, and disposition of material.

Disposition of Material	Quantity	Value

Submitted by:

Name	Benjamin H. Putnam 343 Beharrell Avenue	*Title*	Owner
Address	P. O. Box 614 New Albany, Indiana 47150	*Date*	September 22, 1972

United States Department of the Interior

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20242

IN REPLY REFER TO: Office of Minerals Exploration

November 16, 1971

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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Benjamin H. Putnam
343 Beharrell Avenue
P. O. Box 614
New Albany, Indiana 47150

Re: DMEA-4580 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam, Assignee
Puncheon Camp Creek Area
Grainer County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1088
and
DMEA-5026 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam
Luttrell Prospect
Union County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1215

Dear Mr. Putnam:

After the completion of the approved exploration work under the contract identified above, we asked to be informed about changes in the status of the property and production from it during the period of royalty obligation.

To assist you to furnish this information and to assure the accuracy of our records, please answer the questions on the back of this letter and return three copies to this office with copies of any pertinent documents.

This letter is identical to the request sent to you on June 29, 1971, requesting to be advised of the status of the subject properties and production therefrom since July 22, 1970. To date, we have not received a reply. Please give this matter your immediate attention.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Kirkemo

Harold Kirkemo
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

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Form MME 63
(May 1970)

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON CERTIFIED PROJECT OR PROJECT UNDER ROYALTY AGREEMENT

1. Since July 22, 1970, has there been a change in ownership, lease, or sublease? *If yes, please state details of the transaction below and provide a true or signed copy of the pertinent documents, unless they have been provided before.* Yes ☐ No ☒

Final payment on our 10 year purchase price will be made in December 1971.

2. Since July 22, 1970, has there been any production from the land subject to the contract? Yes ☐ No ☒

A. If so and it was shipped, give quantity, value, and name and address of purchaser.

Purchaser *(name and address)*	Quantity	Value

B. If stockpiled awaiting sale, state quantity, grade, and location.

Type	Quantity *(tons)*	Estimated Grade	Location
Ore			
Concentrates			
Other			

3. Since workings *(see* ; has any production been transported through *of contract)*? Yes ☐ No ☐

If so, state quantity, value, and disposition of material.

Disposition of Material	Quantity	Value

Submitted by:

Name	*Title*
Benjamin H. Putnam	Owner
Address 343 Beharrell Avenue P. O. Box 614 New Albany, Indiana 47150	*Date* December 11, 1971

IN REPLY REFER TO:

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

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OCT 14 1970

Docket DMEA-4580

Putnam

Transamerica Insurance Company
Box [illegible]
Worthington, Ohio 43085

Attention: Mr. R. D. Bridwell
Branch Bond Manager

Re: DMEA-5026 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam
Luttrell Prospect
Union County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-81215

Gentlemen:

This is to acknowledge receipt of a standard form Notice of Cancellation dated September 29, 1970 purporting to cancel a bond, identified as No. 1353 04 34, effective 30 days after receipt of said notice by the U. S. Department of the Interior.

The notice further identifies the bond as having been executed on June 20, 1953 by American Surety Company of New York as Surety in the penal sum of $43,487.50 on behalf of B. H. Putnam, as principal, in favor of the United States Department of Interior as Obligee.

The records of this office show that a performance bond was executed on June 20, 1953 in connection with Exploration Project Contract No. Idm-81215 (DMEA-5026) between Benjamin H. Putnam and the United States of America, acting through the Department of the Interior, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration, also executed on June 20, 1953. A copy of this bond is enclosed. You will note that there is no provision in the bond whereby the surety may unilaterally elect to terminate its suretyship by serving notice of its election to do so upon the obligee. Therefore, the Government must regard the Notice of Cancellation, dated September 29, 1970 as having no force or effect.

We have not been informed previously that Transamerica Insurance Company is the successor in interest to the American Surety Company of New York as suggested by your notice. Nevertheless, you will note that under the provisions of the performance bond American

12/11/71

Dear Mr. Kirkeno:

Sorry for delay but Mr. Putnam has been out of town a great deal.

Thank you.

Jo' Dubin
Sec'y to B. H. Putnam

Surety Company, as surety, and B. H. Putnam as principal, agree to bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, and successors to assume the obligation to the United States.

Please be advised that the Government authorized a reduction in the penal sum of the subject performance bond from $43,487.50 to $2,747.33 in a letter from the then Acting Director, Office of Minerals Exploration, dated May 12, 1960, addressed to American Surety Company. A copy of that letter is enclosed.

Accordingly, the Government will continue to regard the subject performance bond as being in full force and effect and will look to American Surety Company of New York, or its authorized successor in interest as surety in the amount of $2,747.33 under the conditions set forth in the letter dated May 12, 1960.

We would appreciate hearing from you concerning the relationship of your company to American Surety Company of New York, and request that if your company is the successor in interest to American Surety Company you acknowledge the continuing obligation of your company as surety in the amount of $2,747.33 in favor of the United States Government.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Kirkemo

Harold Kirkemo
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

Enclosures

CLMartin:hm 10--9-70
cc: Director's Reading File
Mineral Resources
DMEA--4580
DMEA--5026
OME Reading File
Mr. Kirkemo
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MR&GLS- Rm. 6554
B. H. Putnam-343 Beharrell Ave.
P. O. Box 614
New Albany, Indiana 47150
By: CERTIFIED MAIL
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United States Department of the Interior

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20242

IN REPLY REFER TO: Office of Minerals Exploration

July 14, 1970

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Benjamin H. Putnam
343 Beharrell Avenue
P. O. Box 614
New Albany, Indiana 47150

Re: DMEA-4580 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam, Assignee
Puncheon Camp Creek Area
Grainger County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1088
and
DMEA-5026 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam
Luttrell Prospect
Union County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1215

Dear Mr. Putnam:

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Sincerely yours,

Harold Kirkemo

Harold Kirkemo
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

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Form MME 63
(May 1970)

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON CERTIFIED PROJECT OR PROJECT UNDER ROYALTY AGREEMENT

1. Since August 1968, has there been a change in ownership, lease, or sublease? *If yes, please state details of the transaction below and provide a true or signed copy of the pertinent documents, unless they have been provided before.* Yes ☐ No ☒

2. Since August 1968, has there been any production from the land subject to the contract? Yes ☐ No ☒

A. If so and it was shipped, give quantity, value, and name and address of purchaser.

Purchaser *(name and address)*	Quantity	Value
	None	

B. If stockpiled awaiting sale, state quantity, grade, and location.

Type	Quantity *(tons)*	Estimated Grade	Location
Ore	None		
Concentrates	None		
Other	None		

3. Since workings *(see* , has any production been transported through *of contract)*? Yes ☐ No ☒

If so, state quantity, value, and disposition of material.

Disposition of Material	Quantity	Value
None		

Submitted by:

Name Benjamin H. Putnam	*Title*
Address 343 Beharrell Avenue ~~P. O. Box 614~~ New Albany, Indiana 47150	*Date* July 22, 1970

INSTRUCTIONS TO DELIVERING EMPLOYEE

☐ Show to whom, date, and address where delivered ☒ Deliver ONLY to addressee

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RECEIPT

Received the numbered article described below.

REGISTERED NO.

CERTIFIED NO. 133315

INSURED NO.

DATE DELIVERED 7-10-70

(1) SIGNATURE OR NAME OF ADDRESSEE (*Must always be filled in*)

(2) SIGNATURE OF ADDRESSEE'S AGENT, IF ANY

B. H. Putnam

(3) SHOW WHERE DELIVERED (*only if requested*)

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July 14, 1970

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Benjamin H. Putnam
343 Beharrell Avenue
P. O. Box 614
New Albany, Indiana 47150

Re: DMEA-4580 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam, Assignee
Puncheon Camp Creek Area
Grainger County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1088
and
DMEA-5026 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam
Luttrell Prospect
Union County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1215

Dear Mr. Putnam:

We have not been favored with a response to our several inquiries forwarded to you requesting information concerning the status of the subject properties and possible production therefrom. Our records indicate that the last communication received was your letter dated August 17, 1968, with completed MME Form 63, which was acknowledged by Mr. Frank E. Johnson on August 21, 1968.

We are enclosing a new set of MME Form 63 for your use, and request that you complete and return three copies of the form at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Kirkemo

Harold Kirkemo
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

Enclosure
cc: Director's Reading File
Mineral Resources
DMEA-4580 file
OME Reading File
Robert A. Laurence, Knoxville, Tenn.
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JUN 30 1970

Memorandum

To: Robert A. Laurence
U. S. Geological Survey, Knoxville, Tennessee

From: Chief, Office of Minerals Exploration

Subject: DMEA-4580 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam, Assignee
Puncheon Camp Creek Area
Grainger County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1088
and
DMEA-5026 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam
Luttrell Prospect
Union County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1215

Since our memorandum to you of December 11, 1969, and your response of December 16, 1969, concerning the subject properties, we have not communicated again with Mr. Putnam either by letter or Form MME 63. However, as we have no information in our files regarding the status of the properties, we could resume sending inquiries by certified mail in the hope that eventually Mr. Putnam will respond to our request. Would this procedure be likely to get results?

Meanwhile, we assume that you have been unable to learn anything through local inquiry.

Harold Kirkemo (gla)

Harold Kirkemo

cc: Director's Reading File
Mineral Resources
DMEA-4580
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Mr. Kirkemo
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IN REPLY REFER TO:

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
ROOM 11 POST OFFICE BLDG.
KNOXVILLE, TENN. 37902

December 16, 1969

Memorandum

To: Harold Kirkemo, Chief
Office of Minerals Exploration

From: Robert A. Laurence

Subject: DMEA-4580 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam, Assignee
Puncheon Camp Creek Area
Grainger County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1088
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Benjamin H. Putnam
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B. H. Putnam no longer has any representative in this area, and apparently the New Albany, Indiana, address used in your recent letters is his current address. I understand that he has a glass-sand operation there.

However, I am reasonably certain that no work has been done on either of the captioned properties nor has there been any production of minerals. I doubt if there has been any change in ownership of mineral rights. I do not think a trip out there would be worth while, but if I can learn anything by local inquiry, I'll pass it along.

Bob.

Robert A. Laurence
Geologist
Branch of Eastern Mineral Resources

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Memorandum

To: Robert A. Laurence
U. S. Geological Survey, Knoxville, Tennessee

From: Chief, Office of Minerals Exploration

Subject: DMEA-4580 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam, Assignee
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Grainger County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1088
and
DMEA-5026 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam
Luttrell Prospect
Union County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1215

We have been unable to obtain completed MME Forms 63 forwarded to Mr. Putnam on May 15, June 25, and October 1969, as indicated by covering letters on June 25 and October 16, copies of which were forwarded for your files. The last communication received was Mr. Putnam's letter dated August 17, 1968, with completed MME Form 63, which was acknowledged by Mr. Frank E. Johnson on August 21, 1968.

We should appreciate being advised of any information you may have or can obtain regarding the status of these properties.

Harold Kirkemo (glA)

Harold Kirkemo

cc: Director's Reading File
Mineral Resources
Docket DMEA-4580
Docket DMEA-5026
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Mr. Kirkemo
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File: DMEA-4580 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam, Assignee
Puncheon Camp Creek Area
Grainger County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1088

Also refers to: DMEA-5026 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam
Luttrell Prospect
Union County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1215

Form MME 63 sent October 16, 1969

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RECEIPT

Received the numbered article described below.

REGISTERED NO.

CERTIFIED NO. 133399

INSURED NO.

DATE DELIVERED

(1) SIGNATURE OR NAME OF ADDRESSEE (*Must always be filled in*)

Benjamin H. Putnam

(2) SIGNATURE OF ADDRESSEE'S AGENT, IF ANY

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(3) SHOW WHERE DELIVERED (*only if requested*)

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October 16, 1969

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Benjamin H. Putnam
343 Beharrell Avenue
P. O. Box 614
New Albany, Indiana 47150

Re: DMEA-4580 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putname, Assignee
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Grainger County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1088
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Benjamin H. Putnam
Luttrell Prospect
Union County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1215

Dear Mr. Putnam:

Reference is made to our letter (Form MME 63) of May 15, 1969, and a second set of the form forwarded with our letter dated June 25, 1969, requesting information concerning the status of the subject properties and production therefrom since August 1968, to which we have received no reply.

Enclosed is a new set of the form for completion. Please return three copies as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Kirkemo/gla

Harold Kirkemo
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

Enclosure

cc: Director's Reading File
Mineral Resources
OME Reading File

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OME Docket D MEA-5026
Robert A. Laurence, Knoxville, Tenn.
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Mr. Benjamin H. Putnam
343 Beharrell Avenue
P. O. Box 614
New Albany, Indiana 47150

JUN 25 1969

Re: DMEA-4580 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam, Assignee
Puncheon Camp Creek Area
Grainger County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1088
and
DMEA-5026 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam
Luttrell Prospect
Union County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1215

Dear Mr. Putnam:

On May 15, 1969, we forwarded copies of MME Form 63 to you for information concerning the status of the subject properties, which have not been returned. Enclosed is a new set of forms which you are requested to complete and return at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Kirkemo (gla)

Harold Kirkemo
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

Enclosures

cc: Director's Reading File
Economic Geology File
Dockets DMEA-4580 and DMEA-5026
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Robert A. Laurence, Knoxville, Tenn.
Mr. Kirkemo
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AUG 21 1968

Mr. Benjamin H. Putnam
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New Albany, Indiana 47150

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Benjamin H. Putnam
Luttrell Prospect
Union County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1215
and
DMEA-4422 (Zinc)
Benjamin H. Putnam, Assignee
Thorn Hill Area
Grainger County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1022

Dear Mr. Putnam:

Thank you for your letter of August 17, 1968, returning the completed MME Form 63 on DMEA contracts E-1088 and E-1215.

We do not understand why you have been paying premiums all of these years on the performance bond under DMEA-4422, Contract No. Idm-E1022, as both the American Security Company of New York and you were notified by letter dated November 7, 1960, that the Government retains no lien or claim against the property or any production therefrom, and that we were closing our books and records on the project. Our letter to you of June 14, 1961, repeated this information as you have stated in your letter to us. The performance bond on this contract should have been cancelled on the date our notification to the security company was received and no premium payments made thereafter.

With respect to DMEA-5026, Contract No. Idm-E1215, the surety bond remains in full force until the Government's contribution of $2,747.45 to exploration costs is repaid, or June 30, 1974, whichever occurs first. Consequently, payments on this bond are necessary until either of the foregoing conditions have been met.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK E. JOHNSON

Frank E. Johnson
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

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BENJAMIN H. PUTNAM
940 BEHARRELL AVE.
NEW ALBANY, IND.

File DMEA-4580

Mr. Frank E. Johnson
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration
United States Dept. of Interior
Geological Survey
Washington, D.C. 20242

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Enclosed you will find three (3) copies of the forms which you forwarded to us for completion with your Certified letter dated August 12, 1968.

We are continuing to pay for Transamerica (Policy #10-560-719) $14,822.48 Lease Bond (Zinc) IDM-E 1022 under Defense Minerals Explorations Contracts to U.S.A. The next premium payment is due October 18, 1968 in the amount of $148.22.

However, we have felt for a long time and in accordance with a letter from your office to me in Chicago dated June 14, 1961 the first page of which reads in part:

"In regard to contract Idm-E 1022, my letter to you under date of November 7, 1960 stated that the Government retains no claim or lien against the property under this contract or any production therefrom. The letter a copy of which was sent to the American Surety Company of New York, further stated that we were closing our books and records on the project. Accordingly, the obligation under the surety bond is void".

We are also paying for a $2,747.33 surety bond on another contract (DMEA-5026) Zinc IDM E 1215 Luttrell, Tennessee with Transamerican, Policy #10-580-434. These premiums have all been paid, the last premium of $27.47 having been paid on its anniversary date of June 20, 1968.

These premiums have been paid annually as we felt that maybe in some way we would be violating our Government Contract and, the surety company continues to bill us.

IN REPLY REFER TO:
Office of Minerals Exploration

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20242

August 12, 1968

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. B. H. Putnam
343 Beharrell Avenue
P. O. Box 614
New Albany, Indiana 47150

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Benjamin H. Putnam
Luttrell Prospect
Union County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1215

Dear Mr. Putnam:

After the completion of the approved exploration work under the contract identified above, we asked to be informed about changes in the status of the property and production from it during the period of royalty obligation.

To assist you to furnish this information and to assure the accuracy of our records, please answer the questions on the back of this letter and return ~~two~~ three copies to this office with copies of any pertinent documents.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK E. JOHNSON

Frank E. Johnson
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

MME Form 63
Revised 7-65

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON CERTIFIED PROJECT AND PROJECT UNDER ROYALTY AGREEMENT

1. Since June 1967, has there been a change in ownership, lease, or sublease? If yes, please state details of the transaction below and provide a true or signed copy of the pertinent documents, unless they have been provided before. Yes ☐ No ☐

2. Since June 1967, has there been any production from the land subject to the contract? Yes ☐ No ☐

   A. If so and it was shipped, give quantity, value, and name and address of purchaser.

	Quantity	Value
	None	

   B. If stockpiled awaiting sale, state quantity, grade, and location.

Type	Quantity		Estimated Grade	Location
Ore	None	Tons		
Concentrates	None	Tons		
Other	None	Tons		

3. Since , has any production been transported through workings (see of contract)? Yes ☐ No ☐

   If so, state quantity, value, and disposition of material.

Disposition of Material	Quantity	Value
None		

Submitted by:

Name D. H. Putnam Title

Address 343 Beharrell Ave. (Box 614) Date August 17, 1968
New Albany, Indiana 47150

BENJAMIN H. PUTNAM
[illegible] AVE.
NEW ALBANY, IND.

The T. A. Green and Aaron B. Dalton property located in Grainger County, Tennessee was purchased by me under a Contract of Purchase dated June 14, 1962 for a total price of $12,000, with semi-annual payments for ten years of $600 each. These payments are current, the last payment in the amount of $600 was made June 14, 1968.

We would appreciate hearing from you in regard to the premium payments necessary on the surety bonds.

Sincerely yours,

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CERTIFIED MAIL
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Luttrell Prospect
Union County, Tennessee
Contract Idm-E1215

Dear Mr. Putnam:

We have not received a reply to either of MME Forms 63 forwarded to you on May 20 and July 1, 1968, concerning the status of the subject properties.

Enclosed is a new set of forms which you are requested to complete and return at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK E. JOHNSON

Frank E. Johnson
Chief, Office of
Minerals Exploration

Enclosures

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August 12, 1968

DMEA-4580 (Zinc)
Idm-E1088
Benjamin H. Putnam, Assignee

and

DMEA-5026 (Zinc)
Idm-E1215
Benjamin H. Putnam

No reply to
MME Form 63 follow-up mailed July 1, 1968
above two projects
Return Receipt # signed B. H. Putnam
J. E. Dubin
7/9/68

Reply not received

See recept in DMEA-4580

INSTRUCTIONS TO DELIVERING EMPLOYEE

☐ Show to whom, date, and address where delivered ☐ Deliver ONLY to addressee

(Additional charges required for these services)

RECEIPT

Received the numbered article described below.

REGISTERED NO.

CERTIFIED NO.

INSURED NO.

DATE DELIVERED 7-9-68

1 SIGNATURE OR NAME OF ADDRESSEE *(Must always be filled in)* B. H. Putnam

2 SIGNATURE OF ADDRESSEE'S AGENT, IF ANY J. E. Dubin

3 SHOW WHERE DELIVERED *(only if requested)*

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DMEA-4580 Contract Idm-E1088 Benjamin H. Putnam, Assignee

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RECEIPT

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CERTIFIED NO. 133[illegible]69

INSURED NO.

DATE DELIVERED JUN 19 1967

SIGNATURE OR NAME OF ADDRESSEE (*Must always be filled in*)

1 B. H. Putnam

SIGNATURE OF ADDRESSEE'S AGENT, IF ANY

2 Donald J. Lang

SHOW WHERE DELIVERED (*only if requested*)

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20242

June 15, 1967

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Submitted by:

Name B. H. Putnam

Title

Address 343 Beharrell Ave.
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New Albany, Ind. 47150

Date June 19, 1967