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Memorandum

To: Reports and Records Unit, DMA

From: Chief, Industrial Minerals Branch, DMA

Subject: DMA-1503X, Sim Raty, Peter Raty state
Commodity: Graphite
Amount of loan: 90% of $50,000

Denial recommended because:

1. No sound geologic basis for expecting to find strategic grade material demonstrated.

2. Samples submitted were tested at College Park and found to be a low grade amorphous graphite which does not qualify under MO-5.

Attached:

1. 2 copies of form DF-103 with one assay report.
2. 2 letters from Mr. Sim Raty with copy of Warranty Deed.
3. Letter from USGS dated July 30, 1951.
4. Test report on sample of graphite from Reg. VIII.

SIGNED
James A. Barr, Sr.,

Approved:

Director, Supply Division

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Re: DMA-1503X
Graphite

Mr. Sim Raty
Water Raty Estate
Route 1, Box 154
Ogden, Utah

Dear Mr. Raty:

Your application for aid for an exploration project on Graphite deposit located in Weber County, Utah, and docketed as DMA-1503X, has been reviewed by this office.

Projects approved by the Defense Minerals Administration must, in its judgment, show definite promise of yielding material of acceptable grade, physical character and specifications, in quantities that will significantly improve the mineral supply position for National Defense.

A very careful study of your proposal revealed the following:

1. A sound geologic basis for expecting to encounter strategic grade graphite in the deposit has not been demonstrated.

2. Samples submitted were tested by the Bureau of Mines laboratory at College Park, Maryland, and determined to be a low grade amorphous graphite. While this material might possibly have commercial value as foundry facing, paint manufacture or other non-critical uses, it does not qualify as strategic (crucible flake) graphite.

Under these circumstances, your application for exploration aid to the extent of 90% of $50,000, is denied. Should additional information become available, we would be glad to have you resubmit your proposal for consideration.

Unless we receive a request within thirty days, we will consider the case closed.

Sincerely yours,

Tom Lyon

Tom Lyon, Director
Supply Division

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