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Mr. C. V. Connelly
P.O. Box 1885
Roanoke, Virginia

Re: Docket No. DMA 1522I - Manganese
Tazewell County, Virginia

Dear Mr. Connelly:

In accordance with your letter of December 28, 1951, and to expedite any future application on the subject property which you may make, we herewith withdraw your present application (DMA 1522x), without prejudice.

At your request of November 10, 1951, we are returning the following leases and contract:

1 Copy of lease between James F. Jackson and Frank Gallihan.

1 Copy of lease between Patrick, Patrick and Osborne and Frank Gallihan.

1 Copy of lease between Buford Able, et. ux., and Frank Gallihan.

1 Contract and Agreement between Frank Gallihan and C. V. Connelly.

Sincerely yours,

C. O. Mittendorf

Acting Administrator
Defense Minerals Exploration
Administration

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January 8, 1952

Memorandum

To: Acting Administrator, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

From: Iron and Ferro-Alloy Division, Defense Minerals Exploration Administration

Subject: Withdrawal of application - DMA 1552X - Manganese
C. V. Connelly, P.O. Box 1845, Roanoke, Virginia

Correspondence with Mr. Connelly dated July 17, 1951, requested geological data, maps, etc., to enable processing of the application to proceed. Mr. Connelly, through Congressman Fugate, obtained a consultation with Mr. Holderer, the outcome of which, as reflected in a letter from Mr. Connelly dated December 28, 1951, was sufficient to cause him to cease further action on his application, stating that he had decided to "hold his lessee in abeyance for the time being".

Mr. Connelly's letter indicates, throughout, that he believes the applicant should not be put to the expense of showing that there exists sufficient geological basis upon which the expected exploration work will expose commercial ore; a premise which is not consistent with the requirements of MO-5 as amended, Section 6, these criteria being reflected in MF-103, revised June, 1951, item 2(b).

Therefore, to expedite any further application which may be made, it is deemed best to withdraw the subject application, without prejudice.

G. C. Selfridge

G. C. Selfridge, Acting Chief
Iron and Ferro-Alloy Division

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Mr. G. F. Donnelly
P. O. Box 1045
Roanoke, Virginia

Re: Docket No. [illegible] 1552X
Kimmeness, Tazewell, Virginia

Dear Mr. Donnelly:

This is an inquiry in regard to the status of your application for an exploratory lease ([illegible] 1552X).

We find a request to you for additional information dated July 17, 1951, apparently unanswered; and a letter from you dated November 10, 1951, requesting the return of certain "leases and contracts" now in our files.

If you wish us to proceed with the processing of your application, you should favor us with the information requested. In this event we necessarily must retain the lease and contract mentioned. If, however, you wish to withdraw your application, please inform us accordingly and we shall, forthwith, return the lease and contract now in our files.

We await your pleasure in this regard.

Sincerely yours,

G. W. Selfridge, Acting Chief
Iron and Ferro-Alloy Division

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