

November 8, 1943

Serial Number Unit Resources Section 1hló, Tempo R Serial Number 33-112-T

Air Mail

Mr. Anthony Brandenthaler Geiser Grand Hotel Baker, Gregon

Dear Sir:

Serial Humber 33-112-T has been assigned on a temporary basis under Order P-56 for operation of your Gray Eagle Antimony Mine, 7 Miles from Baker, Oregon.

It is requested that you address a letter to this office for the attention of the Serial Number Unit, hot later than June 1, 1944, outlining that progress has been made as of that date, stating your daily tonnage, average analysis of the ore then being produced, the number of man employed, and a statement of the products sold. You may add any other information that you consider valuable in justifying this operation beyond that date.

Based upon the facts contained in that letter and your desire to continue or suspend operations, a decision will be made as to whether or not the serial number will be extended beyond that time.

Very truly yours,

A. S. Enciron Director, Mining Division Administrator, Order P-56

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cc: Mr.A.M.Dixon Mr. Earl K. Naxon

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STATE DEP'T OF GEOLOGY & MINERAL INDS. 22 October 1943

Mr. Anthony <u>Brandenthaler</u> Geiser Grand Hotel Baker, Oregon

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Dear Mr. Brandenthaler:

Please refer to your letter dated October 20 concerning obtaining priorities. I have just talked over the phone with Mr. Dixon, W.P.B. Mining Division representative, and he thinks your best course would be to apply for a Mine Serial Number. I am therefore enclosing the necessary forms, which please fill out and return to this office. Mr. Nixon then, as Oregon Emergency Coordinator of Mines, will submit the application through the W.P.B. office here to the Mining Division in Washington, D. C. If you need lumber before you get your Mine Serial Number and before you get your quota form from W.P.B., the procedure seems to be for you to apply to the Lumber Coordinator at the regional W.P.B. office in the Bedell Building, Portland.

I am very glad to have the information concerning shipments of antimony ore, and I certainly trust that you will be able to get out sufficient ore so that you can make something out of the property.

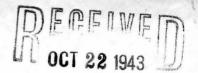
Do you have any objection to my sending the information on your production to Charles W. Merrill, Supervising Engineer, U. S. Bureau of Mines in San Francisco? Mr. Merrill has charge of the statistics of production out here in this part of the country and he likes to be kept informed on what and how much is being produced. He has been very cooperative and we like to help him out with production statistics whenever we can.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

**`F. W. Libbey** Mining Engineer

FWL:ff Enclosure



STATE DEP'T OF GEOLOGY & MINERAL INDS.

Baker, Oregon October 20th. 1943

MR. F. W. Libbey State of Oregon Geology Dept. Woodlark Building Portland, Oregon.

Dear Libbey:

It always seems that I only write you when I am asking a favor of you. This time it is for a Priority Number for the Gray Eagle Antimony Mine here. If you will send me the necessary papers I will fill them and follow whatever other procedure that is necessary. I should have done this some time ago, but as I have had no use for the other priorities I did not think that I would need one here. However, I am doing some additional work on the property and am in need of lumber eff at this very moment.

The Antimony is turning out first rate and it is the first property that seen at all to be a possible mine from the angle of production. Altho the U.S.Bureau of Mines hase not started itsir program here. I am going ahead on my own schedule.

I just shipped the 4th carload of low grade antimony gold to Salt Lake City, and the cars average me about \$415.00 per car after freight and smelter charges deducted. I have also shipped my second truck load of high grade to the stockpile at Seneca, and the ore went 53.54 % antimony on the first load, while the assays for the Hun load are not here as yet. The third load will leave here tomorrow for there. The loads run from  $5\frac{1}{2}$  tons to  $6\frac{3}{2}$  tons with the ore bringing around \$99.50 per ton, less the freight of \$8.00 per ton from here. I am also shipping the 5th car load to the smelter tomorrow. From now on I am shipping 50 ton cars instead of 40 tons as in the past.

I am now making improvements so that we can work two shifts and get out 3 cars per week to the smelter and 2 truckloads per week to Seneca. Ohter than that all is going along first rate, as I have plenty of good men and we come and go the 6 miles to the mine each day.

Hoping that all is going well for you there and say Hello to Mr. Nixon, I remain ----

## **GEISER GRAND HOTEL**

EASTERN OREGON HEADQUARTERS FOR MINING AND STOCKMEN

BAKER, OREGON

October 25th. 1943

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STATE DEP'T OF DEOLOGY & MINERAL INDS.

Mr. F. W. Libbey State Dept of Geology Woodlark Building Portland 5, Oregon.

Dear Libbey:

Your letter and enclosure here, and I want to thank you for your usual promptness.

I am enclosing signed application for serial number for the <u>Gray Eagle Mine</u>. I am also making application to the Lumber Coordinator for the lumber that I need at the present time, pending receipt of the Mine Serial Number.

It is perfectly satisfactory to me for you to send any data that you care to, relative to the production of the Gray Eagle Mine.

I shipped the 4th carload this last Friday, and the total to date has been about 173 tons to the U.S. Smelter in Salt Lake City. I have not had all of the assay returns on these shipments to the smelter, but the first two cars have run around 12 % antimony and have averaged .3 cunces in gold.

The two shipments of high grade to the Metals Reserve stockpile at Seneca have totalled 12 tons, and the first lot of 6 tons ran 53.45 antimony. Their payment was \$101.40 cents per ton.

After the completion of the present changes that I am making our production should run to 2 cars per week, and am now shipping 50 tons per car, to the smelter and 3 loads of high-grade ore to Seneca evry 2 weeks. The second car contained 8.65 ounces in silver.

If there is any other data that you would care to have, pleasebe free fo ask for same.

Thanking you again for your many courtesies and cooperation, I remain

Very truly yours a. In Browden Thaling

Anthony Brandenthaler.

## GREY EAGLE MINE

Virtue district Baker County

Anthony Brandenthaler reports that the installation of the new mill at his Grey Eagle antimony mine is about completed. He expects to resume operations in the near future.

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