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March 13, 1989

Mr. Thomas H. Langel  
Montana National Finance, Inc.  
309 W. Mendenhall  
Bozeman, MT 59715

Dear Mr. Langel:

We have received the data you recently provided covering the nickel opportunity in Oregon.

The project promises to be interesting and challenging but it does not fit Sunshine Mining Company's plans for the immediate future.

Thanks for thinking of Sunshine and best of luck with the project.

Sincerely yours,

SUNSHINE MINING COMPANY

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Robert H. Peterson". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over the typed name.

Robert H. Peterson  
Senior Vice President  
Precious Metals Group

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c: B. Marler  
A. Young  
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January 31, 1989

Dave Vietmeir  
Allegheny Ludlum Steel  
Pittsburg, PA  
FAX 412/394-2976

Dear Dave:

As a follow up to our phone conversation, I wanted to summarize the broad points of a transaction that seemed acceptable to you and I.

1. Both parties would enter into a take or pay contract for at least one year or longer.
2. A.L. would be willing to take all the Nickel produced up to one million pounds per month - USA would produce at least .5 million pounds per month.
3. The price would be fixed monthly at a negotiated discount from LME pricing.
4. A.L. would be willing to advance 90% of production value upon verification through a mutually agreeable process that the Nickel had been produced and was available for shipment. The balance would be paid upon receipt of the shipment.
5. Both parties are agreeable to signing a letter of intent covering the terms and conditions subject to USA's ability to recommence production.
6. USA would offer A.L. a 10% discount during the life of the contract in return for A.L.'s considerations.

Sincerely,

*B. Marler*

Brian Marler  
President

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February 3, 1989

Mr. Brian Marler  
President  
USA Investment and Mortgage Co.  
1005 Durston  
Bozeman, MT 59715

Dear Brian:

Received your fax of January 31, 1989. As I stated in our phone conversation, we could be interested in a purchase commitment for some of the output of this potential facility; however, a number of the items that you listed in your fax need further discussion.

As an example, our ability to take all the monthly production of potentially 1,000,000#/month would depend upon the timing of the start-up.

I feel it would be wise if you could schedule a trip to Pittsburgh so that we could go over the items covered in your fax of 1/31/89 point by point, so that we could arrive at a mutually acceptable arrangement.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

D. G. Vietmeier

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