

# El Paso Natural Gas Company

El Paso, Texas 79999

July 5, 1966

Mr. Len Ramp  
Dept. of Geology & Mineral Industries  
State of Oregon  
S. E. 8th Street  
Grants Pass, Oregon

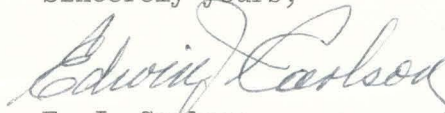
Dear Mr. Ramp:

Enclosed are copies of the 24 samples analysed for mercury from the Iversen-Peterson claims near Shady Cove. Being as the samples showed so little mercury (outside of one narrow short stringer) I made no effort to draw a decent sketch of the property. Of course, you understand the enclosed data is for your files and reference and not for publication.

I hope you have a pleasant trip in the "Wilderness Area" and that the trout bite good.

Kindest regards from John Reynolds and,

Sincerely yours,



E. J. Carlson  
Chief Mining Engineer  
Mining Division

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Air Mail

June 27, 1966

Mr. Samuel A. Iverson  
P. O. Box 154  
Point Arena, California 95468

Dear Mr. Iverson:

Enclosed are the results of the twenty-four samples we took on your property on June 15, 1966. I have drawn a rough sketch to help you identify the sample locations. A more detailed map does not appear warranted at this time.

I was very disappointed that the samples ran so extremely low in mercury. One small high-grade sample which you and I took in the "half-shade" cannot make a mine. I am inclined to believe some of your previous mercury analyses were incorrect. The samples I took were over areas that would or would not prove the property has an open-pit potential. Small high-grade pockets or stringers cannot make a profitable mining venture because of their erratic distribution and very low tonnage.

Undoubtedly, there are minor faults and fractures which have caused the mercury mineralization, but I saw nothing on my visit that looked large or strong enough to lead to a commercially profitable exploitable mine.

We wish to thank you for bringing this property to our attention and we regret that the sample analyses were so low that we would not be further interested in exploration of your property.

Kindest personal regards to you and Mr. Peterson.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Carlson  
Chief Mining Engineer

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