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Charles R. Archerd, Ida Mine, Grants Pass, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

At your request I have herewith rewritten my report dated February 13, 1935 on the Ida Mine, located in the Granite Hill Mining District, Josephine County, Oregon, making various changes and additions to conform to more recent knowledge of the property, and to cover information obtained from recent work done at the mine.

I have also attached as requested as complete a history of the Granite Hill Mining District as is obtainable, with due regard to the authenticity of the information used.

Have outlined in my recommendations an outline for an immediate development program with costs.

Respectfully,

E. L. MacNaughton.