

# Coastal Mining Company

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March 13, 1973

State of Oregon  
Department of Geology and Mineral Industries  
Grants Pass Field Office  
521 N. E. "E" Street  
Grants Pass, Oregon 97526

Attention: Len Ramp

Dear Mr. Ramp:

This letter is written in answer to your request for factual information regarding the mineral potential of the Woodcock Mountain mineral deposit located in Sections 19, 30, and 31, Township 30 South, Range 8W, and Sections 24, 25, and 36, Township 39 South, Range 9W, Josephine County, Oregon. We understand your request for this information is to assist you in your report concerning the proposed wilderness area known as Rough and Ready that partially encompasses the Woodcock Mountain area and lies to the East. Subsequent to the date of your request, the proposed wilderness area has been placed in the Red Group of roadless areas with said Red Group being the least applicable to possible wilderness additions within the Forest Service structure; however for what good it can be, the information and history we have is as follows:

As you undoubtedly know, in 1950 the Oregon State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries recognized the mineral potential of Woodcock Mountain and hand-augered some 16 well dispersed holes to a maximum depth of 16 feet. Mineral grades from these samples ranged from 0.54% nickel to 1.51% nickel

In 1951 the U.S.B.M. augered 67 holes to a maximum depth of 22 feet and cut 13 trenches. Mineral grades ranged from 0.14% nickel to 1.10% nickel.

In 1957 Nickel Corporation of America churn drilled 60 holes with some holes running to a depth of 100 feet. Based on a 250' drill grid, ore reserves calculated by Simerd and Knight gave indicated tonnages ranging upwards to 7 million tons of approximately 0.70% nickel.

Mr. Len Ramp  
March 13, 1973  
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In 1965 Falconbridge also carried on an exploration program attempting to verify prior calculated reserves.

Subsequent to 1966, the Hanna Mining Company has acquired through options and leases all favorable nickel bearing areas on Woodcock Mountain and has instigated a continuing exploration program since that time. The work performed by Hanna subsequent to 1966 has served to confirm the findings of the state and federal agencies prior work. Our additional work has indicated the possibility of tonnages and grades of commercial value and Hanna will continue to investigate this ore body in hopes of (a) expanding the reserve of potentially commercial ore and (b) to establish a metallurgical process such that the type of ore found may be successfully refined.

The Hanna Mining Company strongly feels that its activity of exploration in the area of Woodcock Mountain and peripheral areas are substantial reason why this general area called Rough and Ready should not be considered for future potential wilderness. There are also several roads in this "unroaded" area.

We understand that you will convey this information through your department to the proper National Forest authorities and are given permission to release the information contained herein.

Very truly yours.

COASTAL MINING COMPANY

*C. A. Dowd*

C. A. Dowd  
Land Manager

CAD:jm

cc: Ben Day, S. D. Van Nort, M. J. Doyle



P.O.Box 336,  
Cave Junction, Oreon.

July 19, 1957.

Mr.L.Ramp,  
State of Oregon,  
Geology & Mânerals Industries Dept.,  
239 S.E. H Street,  
GRANTS PASS, Oregpn.

Dear Mr.Ramp:

I have enclosed a copy of the spectrographic analysis made by Abbot A Hanks, Inc., of a sample of lateritic material from Woodcock Mountain.

Many thanks for loan of Nickel Depo#it Near Riddle, which by the way is being returned to you today under separate cover.

Yours very truly,



A.Skrecky

AS/enclosure

July 12, 1953  
Grants Pass, Ore.

Ralph S. Mason  
1069 State Office Bldg  
Portland 1, Oregon

Dear Sir:


I am interested in the work you did on the lateritic areas of Woodcock Mountain, Josephine Co.; Red Flat, Curry Co.; and Wickel Mountain, Douglas Co.

I have copies of the 'Ore Bin' Vol. 10 No 5, and Vol. 11 No 3 in which you give the assays of the various holes drilled.

Mr. David White of the Grants Pass Office informs me that you could supply the additional information of the logs of these holes. If this be possible, I would certainly appreciate the information.

After July 14, I can be reached % General Delivery, Crescent City, California.

yours very truly,

  
FRED H. BROOKS

e.c. David White  
File



February 16, 1942

Mr. Horace Scheidt  
Brookings, Oregon

Dear Mr. Scheidt:

Herewith are the results of four  
nickel assays that were made on the Wood-  
cock property.

No. 1	--	1.31%
No. 2	--	0.86%
No. 3	--	1.37%
No. 4	--	1.11%

Yours very truly,

Ray C. Treasher  
Field Geologist

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February 16, 1942

Mr. Collier Buffington  
Gold Beach, Oregon

Dear Mr. Buffington:

Herewith are the results of four  
nickel assays that were made on the Wood-  
cock property.

No. 1	--	1.31%
No. 2	--	0.86%
No. 3	--	1.37%
No. 4	--	1.11%

Yours very truly,

Ray C. Treasher  
Field Geologist

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UNITED STATES  
 SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
 REGIONAL OFFICE  
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 DENVER 2, COLORADO

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STATE DEPT. OF GEOLOGY  
 & MINERAL INDUS.

June 26, 1956

AIR MAIL

Director  
 State Department of Geology  
 and Mineral Industries  
 1069 State Office Building  
 Portland, Oregon

Re: Uranium Corporation of America

Dear Sir:

A recent letter to stockholders by the Uranium Corporation of America, 3955 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah, mentions recent activities and gives the details of a proposed merger with Chemical & Metallurgical Enterprises, Inc. The stockholders of the company will vote on the proposed merger on July 2, 1956.

A paragraph with reference to an ore reserve estimate made by the Oregon Bureau of Mines appears on page 2 of the letter. The paragraph reads as follows:

"Chemical & Metallurgical Enterprises, Inc., which was founded in 1918 as the American Leasing Company, has 62 claims in Josephine County, Oregon, which according to a report by the Oregon Bureau of Mines, contains at least ten million tons of nickel ore, averaging 1% nickel. This ore also contains cobalt and chromium. The chromium runs approximately 50 lbs. per ton of ore and the cobalt runs approximately 2½ lbs. per ton of ore. At present market prices, this property has ore with a gross value of over One-Hundred-Thirty Million dollars. The ore lies right on the surface and can be mined by open pit methods at an estimated cost of 25¢ per ton. Chemical & Metallurgical Enterprises, Inc., is presently extensively engaged in a program to extract the nickel from its ore by chemical means and considerable progress has been made in this regard. The object is to mine and leach the nickel ore at an overall cost of not to exceed \$6 per ton and sell the nickel, cobalt and chromium for approximately \$15 per ton."

Since such item contains representations of material character concerning the ore reserves and the outlook for the two companies that might

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enter into the merger, we wish to inquire if you could furnish us any information regarding the report that is said to have been prepared by the Oregon Bureau of Mines.

The representation regarding the property in Josephine County, Oregon, creates a picture of an attractive mining proposition. We are concerned as to whether this representation meets the statutory requirements for adequate and accurate disclosure of pertinent facts.

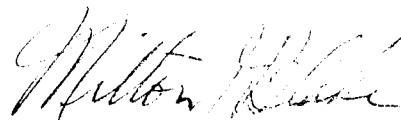
We have read over Bulletin No. 9 entitled "Chromite Deposits in Oregon," published in 1938, and we are unable to find any mention of the American Leasing Company, the subject company or any nickel deposits in Josephine County, Oregon.

The ore reserves of a mining property should be submitted to the stockholders in accordance with recognized engineering standards of evaluation. In regard to the nickel deposit mentioned, recognized engineering standards would require such conclusions to be based on vein exposures in numerous pits and systematic sampling of these exposures. No sample assay data was included in the letter to the stockholders nor was such material furnished to this office as supplemental information.

You will also note that the quoted paragraph predicts a substantial profit per ton of ore when it appears that a number of cost and marketing elements remain uncertain and unresolved.

We would appreciate any information you may have in your records which you might furnish us regarding the properties and operations of the two above named companies as it will be of considerable assistance to us in the performance of our duties in the matter.

Very truly yours,



Milton J. Blake  
Regional Administrator

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June 27, 1956

AIRMAIL

Mr. Milton J. Blake, Regional Administrator  
U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission  
New Custom House  
19th and Stout Streets  
Denver, Colorado

Dear Mr. Blake:

This is in response to your letter of June 26 concerning the Uranium Corporation of America.

We have searched all of the old Oregon Bureau of Mines (the predecessor to this Department) reports and bulletins and can find no reference to the American Leasing Company or Chemical & Metallurgical Enterprises, Inc. Further, we cannot find any reference to nickel such as is quoted in your letter of June 26. No publication by this Department has made the statements quoted.

We have checked with the Corporation Commissioner of the State of Oregon and have been unsuccessful in running down the names of these groups. Therefore I am at a loss to know where this information came from. Perhaps if you could obtain from the corporation more specific data on the reference, we could run this down.

Sincerely yours,

Hollis M. Dole  
Director

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REGIONAL OFFICE  
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July 12, 1956

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STATE DEPT. OF GEOLOGY  
& MINERAL INDUST.

Mr. Hollis M. Dole, Director  
Department of Geology and Mineral Industries  
State of Oregon  
1069 State Office Building  
Portland 1, Oregon

Re: Uranium Corporation of America

Dear Mr. Dole:

Thank you for your letter of June 27, 1956 and your efforts in trying to obtain certain information from the Corporation Commissioner of the State of Oregon.

We have now obtained information from the subject corporation that the nickel deposit in Josephine County which "according to a report by the Oregon Bureau of Mines, contains at least ten million tons of nickel ore averaging 1% nickel" is located on Woodcock Mountain about a mile west of the town of Cave Junction. We have also obtained a copy of the report on the deposit by Ralph S. Mason which was published in the March 1949 issue of "The Ore Bin" by the State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (Vol.11 No.3). We have noted the remarks by Mr. Mason on the last page of the report that the deposit has not been adequately tested and sampled and that an accurate estimation of tonnage of reserves within the area is impossible.

It appears that the estimate of ten million tons is taken from a report dated June 27, 1956 based on two days of field examination by John B. Hopkins, Geologist, 1757 Park Street, Salt Lake City, Utah. Mr. Hopkins used the results from the sixteen auger drill holes put down under the supervision of Mr. Mason and combined this data with the assay results of six random samples and arriving at the conclusion that the nickel deposit covered an area 1,700 feet in width by 7,000 feet in length by about 14 feet in depth. The report goes on to state that the writer (Hopkins) calculates eight to eleven million tons of nickel laterite as probable ore with a grade of better than 1% nickel and 2-1/2% chromium oxide. From a technical engineering viewpoint the estimate contained in the report is subject to criticism. The estimate does not meet with the requirements of sound engineering practice.

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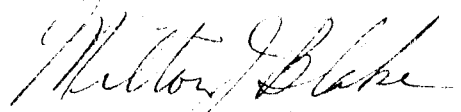


We have also received information that the claims that cover Woodcock Mountain were held under the name of Yankee Mines Company. The main group of 49 claims is reported to be on Woodcock Mountain. There is another group of 12 claims known as the Nickel Nugget claims.

If you have any information in your files regarding the Woodcock Mountain Area that would be subsequent to the report by Mr. Mason published in March 1949, we would appreciate very much receiving a summary of the information.

May I again express my appreciation for your interest and suggestions in this matter.

Very truly yours,



Milton J. Blake  
Regional Administrator

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April 29, 1957

AIRMAIL

Ralph S. Mason, Mining Engineer  
State Department of Geology and  
Mineral Industries  
1069 State Office Building  
Portland 1, Oregon

Re: Chemical & Metallurgical Enterprises, Inc.

Dear Mr. Mason:

This will acknowledged receipt of your letter of April 18, 1957 in which you state the subject is merging with New Delhi, Ltd., of Toronto, and a new corporation called Nickel Corporation of America is being formed. You also mention that Chemical & Metallurgical is actively leasing mining claims in Josephine County in the vicinity of Woodcock Mountain.

Indexes maintained in this office do not show that Chemical & Metallurgical Enterprises has sought to claim exemption under Regulation A for offerings of securities or that the company filed a registration statement for offerings of securities under the Securities Act of 1933. The securities of the company do not appear to be listed or registered on a national securities exchange.

We do not have any information in our files in regard to the corporate structure and general business relations of Chemical & Metallurgical.

Information obtained from sources other than the company indicates that John H. White, Jr., is president, and Robert K. Dansie is secretary. The address of the company is 3955 South State Street, Salt Lake City 7, Utah.

It may be of interest to you that stockholders of Uranium Corporation of America at a meeting on October 29, 1956 approved the sale of assets of UCOA in return for stock of Chemical & Metallurgical. At a meeting of the Board of Directors of UCOA in March 1957 it was voted to terminate the existence of the corporation (UCOA) by closing the books on April 30, 1957 and immediately moving for dissolution by court order. J. H. White, Jr. was the president of UCOA.

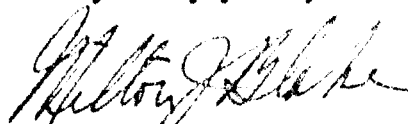
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We trust the above may be of some assistance to you. We would appreciate receiving any additional information about the subject which may come to your attention.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Milton J. Blake".

Milton J. Blake  
Regional Administrator

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ONTARIO  
DEPARTMENT OF MINES

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS  
TORONTO 2, ONTARIO

April 26, 1957.

Mr. Ralph S. Mason,  
Mining Engineer,  
Department of Geology and Mineral Industries,  
1069 State Office Building,  
Portland 1, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of April 18th to the Minister of Mines for Ontario, has been referred to me. In reply, I beg to advise you that the firm of Simard & Knight are a well-known consulting firm in good standing, with headquarters in Toronto.

Yours very truly,

H. C. Rickaby,  
Deputy Minister of Mines.

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April 18, 1957

Air Mail

Minister of Mines  
Department of Mines  
Toronto, Ontario  
Canada

Dear Sir:

We would appreciate it if you could furnish us with some information concerning the firm of Simard & Knight of Toronto. We understand that Simard & Knight are a mining engineering consulting firm, but can find no record of them in any of the standard references. The inquiry is prompted by an announcement in the local press that New Delhi Mines, Ltd., of Toronto has merged with Chemical & Metallurgical Enterprises, Inc., of Salt Lake City, Utah, and that a new corporation, Nickel Corporation of America, has been formed to investigate some nickel-bearing laterites in southwestern Oregon. The newspaper article further stated that Mr. Lionel Simard of Simard & Knight was to personally direct the activities of the corporation.

Any information you can supply will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Ralph S. Mason  
Mining Engineer

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DEPARTMENT OF MINES

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS  
TORONTO 2, ONTARIO

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H. C. Rickaby,  
Deputy Minister of Mines.

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G. HOWARD CONKLIN  
120 BROADWAY  
NEW YORK 5, N. Y.

ROOM 2737

TEL. RECTOR 2-0020

April 22, 1957

Department of Mines  
State of Oregon  
Salem, Oregon

Gentlemen:

Will you kindly send to me any published data you may  
have on the following nickel deposits in your state:

✓  
*no more* Woodcock Mountain  
\$8 Mountain  
Rough & Ready Flats  
Thanksgiving Placer.

I shall be pleased to pay any costs for the above provided  
they are under \$20.

Thank you for your cooperation.

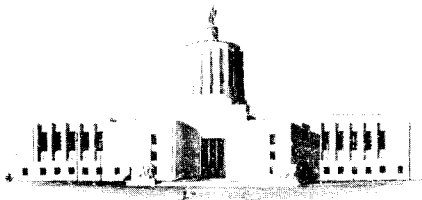
Sincerely yours,

*G. Howard Conklin*

Vice President  
Dana Investment Co.

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STATE OF OREGON  
CORPORATION DEPARTMENT  
SALEM

September 4, 1956

State Department of Geology  
and Mineral Industries  
1069 State Office Building  
Portland 1, Oregon

Attention: Mr. Ralph S. Mason  
Re: Uranium Corporation of America-Montana and Utah  
Corporations

Gentlemen:

This acknowledges yours of August 30, 1956 and the enclosures pertaining to subject corporations.

Enclosed herewith copy of a letter dated September 1, 1956 from Attorney William B. Murray, Executive Vice President of the Montana Corporation.

The Utah Corporation has not registered in Oregon to do business as a foreign Corporation; and has not been issued a Certificate authorizing the sale of its securities.

We shall make further inquiry of the Utah Corporation and its possible merger with Chemical & Metallurgical Enterprises, Inc., as both are not of record here.

Thank you for the assistance and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Frank J. Healy  
Corporation Commissioner

*Robey S. Ratcliffe*

By: Robey S. Ratcliffe  
Securities Examiner

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URANIUM CORPORATION OF AMERICA

A MONTANA CORPORATION

1101 FALLING BUILDING  
PORTLAND 4, OREGON  
CAPITOL B-7711

September 1, 1956

State of Oregon  
Corporation Department  
Salem, Oregon

Attention: Mr. R. S. Hatcliffe

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of August 31, 1956, concerning the similarity of name between Uranium Corporation of America, a Montana corporation, and another Utah corporation, may we state the following:

There is no connection whatsoever between the two corporations. None of the officers or directors of our Montana corporation are connected with the Utah corporation, either personally or through property acquisition or other contracts.

Our Montana corporation does no business with Chemical and Metallurgical Enterprises, Inc. or with the American Leasing Company.

To date, our corporation has no mining properties located in the State of Oregon.

When we learned, to our surprise, a few months ago, that a Utah corporation with a similar name was in existence, we made inquiries and were given to understand that the Utah corporation was about to merge with some different corporation and was about to adopt another name.

Very truly yours,

*William B Murray*  
William B. Murray *By R.S.H.*

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September 10, 1956

Mr. Robey S. Ratcliffe  
Securities Examiner  
State Corporation Department  
Salem, Oregon

Dear Mr. Ratcliffe:

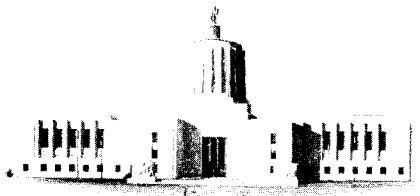
Thank you for your letter of September 7 with the enclosure from Chemical & Metallurgical Enterprises, Inc.

We would appreciate it if you would keep us informed as to the future developments in this matter, and we likewise will advise you immediately we learn of any activities.

Sincerely yours,

Ralph S. Mason  
Mining Engineer

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STATE OF OREGON  
CORPORATION DEPARTMENT  
SALEM

September 7, 1956

State Department of Geology  
and Mineral Industries  
1069 State Office Building  
Portland 1, Oregon

Attention: Mr. Ralph S. Mason  
Re: Uranium Corporation of America - Utah  
and Chemical & Metallurgical Enterprises, Inc.

Gentlemen:

In followup on your letter of August 30, 1956 and ours of September 4, 1956, the enclosed copy of a communication dated September 6, 1956, from Chemical & Metallurgical Enterprises, Inc., is forwarded for your information.

On September 4, 1956 we addressed an inquiry to Uranium Corporation of America, - Utah Corporation, requesting a comprehensive report on the possible merger with Metallurgical Enterprises, Inc., and whether or not either corporation would take action to qualify to do business in Oregon as a foreign Corporation.

The enclosure did not cover the merger request. However, the merger appears to have been completed as Metallurgical answered the communication.

It is hoped the enclosure will be of benefit to you. If we can further assist, please advise.

Very truly yours,

Frank J. Healy  
Corporation Commissioner

*Robey S. Ratcliffe*  
Robey S. Ratcliffe  
Securities Examiner

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GOLD  
NICKEL

MINING  
MILLING  
METALLURGY

CHEMICAL & METALLURGICAL ENTERPRISES, INC.

3955 SOUTH STATE STREET  
SALT LAKE CITY 7, UTAH

September 6, 1956

Mr. Robey S. Ratcliffe, Securities Examiner  
Corporation Department  
State of Oregon  
Salem, Oregon

Dear Mr. Ratcliffe:

We have written Mr. Bruce J. Manley, of  
212 Leverett Bldg., Medford, Oregon, to take the  
necessary steps to qualify Chemical & Metallurgical  
Enterprises, Inc. to do business in Oregon as a  
foreign corporation.

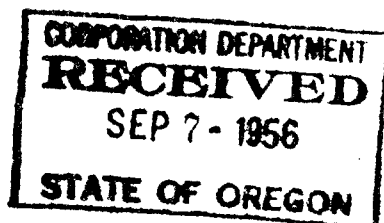
We do not contemplate offering any of  
our securities for sale in the State of Oregon.

We will do everything required to qualify  
as rapidly as possible, to do business in Oregon.

Very truly yours,

CHEMICAL & METALLURGICAL ENTERPRISES, INC.

*J. H. White, Jr.*  
J. H. White, Jr.  
President



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April 18, 1957

Refer to: CEH

Air Mail

Mr. Milton J. Blake, Regional Administrator  
U. S. Securities & Exchange Commission  
New Custom House  
19th and Stout Streets  
Denver, Colorado

Dear Mr. Blake:

You will recall our earlier correspondence re Uranium Corporation of America, a Utah corporation, and Chemical & Metallurgical Enterprises, Inc., of Salt Lake City.

Recent press releases indicate that Chemical & Metallurgical is merging with New Delhi, Ltd., of Toronto, Canada, and a new corporation called Nickel Corporation of America, is being formed. The newspapers also state that Chem & Met is actively leasing mining claims in Josephine County in the vicinity of Woodcock Mountain.

We have been asked to investigate the status of Chemical & Metallurgical Enterprises, Inc., but can find no record of them in any of the standard trade publications nor are they listed in the Salt Lake City telephone directory. Any information you can supply as to their corporate structure and general business relations will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Ralph S. Mason  
Mining Engineer

RSM:lk

Aug 27-1956  
766 Willow St.  
Ontario  
Calif.

Dear Sir,

Would you please send  
me what information you have  
available regarding the 62 claims  
in Josephine Co. held by American Leasing  
Co. The U.S. Dep of Interior referred  
me to you, as they had no information  
on same, and that you may be able  
of assistance to me. Will appreciate  
what you may have on the above  
& will look forward to hear  
from you at your earliest  
convenience.

Sincerely

Alexander McColl.

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STATE DEPT. OF GEOLOGY  
& MINERAL INDUSTRIES

August 30, 1956

Mr. Alexander McColl  
766 Willow Street  
Ontario, California

Dear Mr. McColl:

In response to your letter of August 27 we are sending you under separate cover a copy of our monthly publication, the Ore.-Bin, which contains an article on the nickel-bearing laterite on Woodcock Mountain, Josephine County. After reading the article I am sure you will agree that extensive exploration and test work must be done on the property before any estimate of the grade or tonnage can be determined. The statements made in the clipping which you included with your letter tend to give an erroneous picture of the situation both with respect to probable tonnages in the deposit, the grade of the ore, the cost of mining, and the expected profit. At the present time there is no activity at this deposit nor have we heard of any attempt to investigate it further.

The Oregon Corporation Commissioner's office suggests that if you have been approached to buy stock in this venture that you write to the California Division of Corporations, Attention W. H. Stephenson, Commissioner of Corporations, 243 State Building, San Francisco, California. The Commissioner can advise you whether or not the corporation has a license to sell securities in the State of California.

Sincerely yours,

Ralph S. Mason  
Mining Engineer

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