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ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND MINERAL RESOURCES FILE DATA

PRIMARY NAME: BAT CAVE

ALTERNATE NAMES:

U.S. GUANO

CALAZONA MINING COMPANY
NEW PACIFIC COAL AND OILS

GUANO CAVE

MOHAVE COUNTY MILS NUMBER: 226A

LOCATION: TOWNSHIP 31 N RANGE 14 W SECTION 29 QUARTER NE LATITUDE: N 36DEG 02MIN 43SEC LONGITUDE: W 113DEG 48MIN 14SEC

TOPO MAP NAME: BAT CAVE - 7.5 MIN

CURRENT STATUS: PAST PRODUCER

COMMODITY:

PHOSPHATE GUANO NITROGEN GUANO

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

ADMMR BAT CAVE FILE

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180, P. 368-369, 1969

DESERT MAGAZINE, JULY-AUG. 1967, P.25

Date Printed: 03/15/94

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND MINERAL RESOURCES

VERBAL INFORMATION SUMMARY

Information from: Roberta Serface

Company:

Address:

City, State ZIP:

Phone:

602-575-8346

MINE:

Bat Cave

ADMMR Mine File: Bat Cave

County:

Mohave

AzMILS Number:

226A

SUMMARY

Roberta Serface of Tucson, phone 575-8346, requested information on the Bat Cave guano deposit.

She has been involved with a volunteer research group that has recently completed surveying the Bat Cave. The survey results are to be filed with the National Park Service at the Grand Canyon National Park. The contact there is reported to be Kim Crumbo.

Ken A. Phillips, Chief Engineer Date: March 15, 1994

BAT CAVE MOHAVE COUNTY

NJN WR 5/27/88: On Sunday, May 22, an unofficial visit was made to the surface facility on the Bat Cave Mine (file) Mohave County on the South Rim. The Hualapai Indian Tribe has put in a new, larger air strip to the south of the facility. This is the first phase of a plan to develop this portion of the Grand Canyon for tourism. Currently tourists are flown in (ordinarily from Las Vegas) and bussed on a short rim overlook tour. The final stop on this tour is the tower and ore bin facility once used by US Guano. The facility is being converted to a dining area and vista viewing platform. There are no plans at present to reinstall the cable to the Bat Cave due to the heavy air traffic below the rim in this portion of the canyon. The first stop on the tour is a side canyon where a well exposed breccia pipe known as Bat Cave Pipe can be seen. This feature is not associated with the Bat Cave; it is about 3 miles south of the Cave and on the south side of the river.

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES STATE OF ARIZONA FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

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Calazona Mining Company Guano Lease

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District Grand Canyon 65 Air Miles N of Kingman,

Engineer

Lewis A. Smith

Mohave County

Subject: Interview with Frank Broes, President of Calazona Mining Co.

PROPERTY: The bulk or back portion of the Guano Cave is under a phosphate lease to Calazona. The rest (front part) was leased by the U.S. Guano Co. a subsidiary of New Pacific Coals & Oils, Ltd.

OFFICERS OF CALAZONA MINING CO: Pres. Frank Broes, 2809 W. Adams, Phoenix (273-7151). Sec'y: J.S. Hubble, 500 W. Clarendon, Phoenix (265-2455).

NOTE: The principals of Calazona Mining Co., also are with the L.J.C. Iron Co. (SW of Aguila), the two companies being intertwined.

WORK: Considerable exploration of the cave has resulted in greatly increased reserves of guano in the Calazona Mining Company's ground. Another cable across the Grand Canyon is contemplated.

This group also operate a well drilling business, and have some other mining holdings.

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FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

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U. S. GUANO COMPANY

Date

July 29, 1957

District

Mohave County

Engineer

Lewis A. Smith

Subject:

GUANO CAVE DEPOSITS (Arizona Republic, July 28, 1957)

Guano Cave Deposits - 165 airline miles north of Kingman, Mohave County.

U. S. Guano Company, subsidiary of New Pacific Coals & Cils Ltd., of Toronto Canada.

Charles Parker Mining Engineer and President of U. S. Guano.

250,000 tons reserve.

First attempt to mine them was made by barges on Colorado River, but several barges sunk and this project was abandoned.

Parker conceived of idea of using tram from a ledge (4,700 elev) to caves on north rim 600' high. Guano to be extracted by strong suction pump feeding guano to Tram which carries 3,500 pounds. Conveyor system 9,000' long (areal tram cables) will cost \$750,000. A packaging plant, located on the 4,700 elevation bench will be run by Butler Mfg. Co. of Kansas City, Mo. Expected price = \$360 per ton & it will probably be 10 years before deposit is cleaned out. Cave not completely explored - some rooms 300' wide x 500' long and 100' high. Road from ledge joins highway at Peach Springs. Last information is that they lost first cable in river but will replace it.