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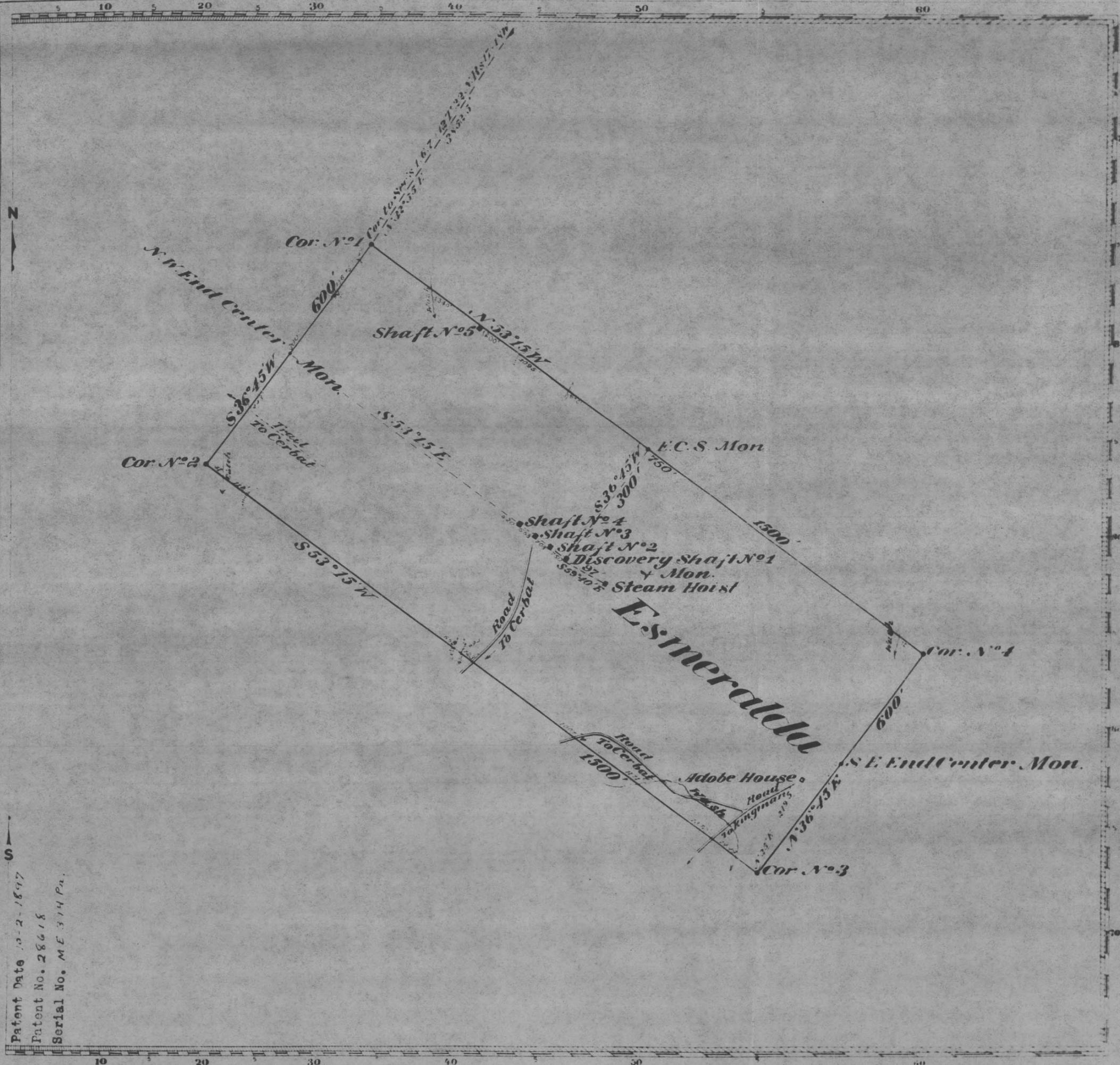
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Patent Date 10-2-1897  
 Patent No. 28618  
 Serial No. M.E. 314 Pa.

Claim Located April 17 1893  
 Amended March 31 1896  
 Mineral Survey N° 1213

LOT N°  
 Prescott Land District  
**PLAT**  
 OF THE CLAIM OF  
*The Ark and San Antonio*  
*Mining and Milling Company*  
 KNOWN AS THE

**Esmeralda**  
 IN Wallapai MINING DISTRICT  
Mohave COUNTY, Arizona  
 Containing an Area of 20661 Acres  
 Scale of 200 feet to the inch  
 Variation 13° 5' E  
 STATED October 13 1896 BY  
O. F. Huener  
 U.S. Deputy Mineral Surveyor

The Original Field Notes of the Survey of the Mining Claim of  
*The Ark and San Antonio Mining and*  
*known as the - Milling Company*

**Esmeralda**  
 from which this plat has been made under my direction  
 have been examined and approved, and are on file in this Office,  
 and I hereby certify that they furnish such an accurate description  
 of said Mining Claim as will, if incorporated into a patent  
 serve fully to identify the premises, and that such reference  
 as made therein to natural objects or permanent monuments  
 as will perpetuate and fix the locus thereof.  
 I further certify that Five Hundred Dollars worth of labor  
 has been expended or improvements made upon said Mining  
 Claim by claimant or its assigns, and that the improvements  
 consist of 5 shafts, a steam hoist and an adobe house

that the location of said improvements is shown  
 upon this plat, and that no portion of said improve-  
 ments has been included in the estimate of value  
 taxes upon any other claim.  
 And I further certify that this is a correct plat of the  
 Claim made in conformity with said original field  
 survey thereof, and the same is hereby approved.

U.S. Surveyor General's Office George Gooding  
Tucson, Arizona  
 January 9 1897 Arizona

PACIFIC  
REGIONAL  
OPERATIONS, INC.

P.O. Box 716 • Scottsdale, Arizona 85252 • (602) 994-3147  
June 22, 1981

Ms. Emilie Stifel  
c/o Trust Department  
Mercantile Tower  
P. O. Box 387  
St. Louis, Missouri 63166

Pacific Regional Operations, Inc., would like to conduct a preliminary geological evaluation of your mining property in the Wallapai District, Mohave County, Arizona.

If this proposal is agreeable to you, please so indicate by signing the enclosed Affidavit of Ingress and Egress which enables our geological staff to enter the property for the preliminary evaluation. No further action will be initiated by Pacific Regional Operations, Inc., until we have received the executed Affidavit of Ingress and Egress.

If at the conclusion of our preliminary evaluation, we determine the possibility that commercial quantities of ore could be found on your property as a result of future intensified exploration, we may be interested in purchasing or leasing the property.

At that time, we would advise you of our intent to proceed, and could offer to purchase the property for as much as \$1,250.00 per acre or leasing the property for a period of three years. Rental payments on the lease basis would be \$50 per acre for the first year, \$200 per acre for the second year and \$500 per acre for the third year. The lease would also provide for a landowner royalty on all produced leased substances.

Should you have any questions or comments, please call collect or write to the above address.

Sincerely,



William C. Vanderwall  
Geologist

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Enclosure

PACIFIC  
REGIONAL  
OPERATIONS, INC.

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November 18, 1981

Wallace A. Kennedy  
Trust Department  
Mercantile Tower  
P.O. Box 387  
St. Louis, MO 63166

Re: Ernst Stifel Trust U/W  
Esmeralda

Dear Mr. Kennedy:

Pacific Regional Operations, Inc., has conducted a geological evaluation of the patented mining claim Esmeralda, Wallapai Mining District, Mohave County, Arizona. Our initial results do not warrant proceeding with further exploration at this time.

However, the claim is accessible and located on relatively even ground which enhances its value as a potential millsite. Current real estate prices in the area vary from \$100.00 to \$200.00 per acre. If you are interested in selling or leasing the property as real estate please indicate as much by return mail. Before committing, I suggest you have the property evaluated by an independent geologist.

Thank you for the permission to enter the property.

Sincerely,

Wm. Vanderwall  
geologist

WCV/lpk

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**MERCANTILE  
BANK**

WALLACE A. KENNEDY  
Asst. Vice President  
314-425-2741

July 14, 1981

Mr. William C. Vanderwall  
Pacific Regional Operations Inc.  
P.O. Box 716  
Scottsdale, Arizona 85252

Re: Ernst Stifel Trust U/W

Dear Sir:

Attached is your affidavit of Ingress & Egress which we have signed. If you have interest in leasing this property, please contact the writer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Wallace Kennedy".

WK/pj  
Attachment

AFFADAVIT OF INGRESS AND EGRESS

I hereby grant PACIFIC REGIONAL OPERATIONS, INC., permission to ingress, egress and travel about the patented mining claims known as the Esmeralda,

at their sole risk, to collect samples of ore and country rock, to inspect old workings but in no event to remove more than 100 pounds of samples from the property.

Signed

*mercantile Trust Co. P.A.  
Trustee of Ernest S. Lofel*  
*by: Walter Kennedy*

LAND OWNER (Agent)

*as above*

*6-24-81.*

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