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Salt Lake City, Utah May 6, 1971

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Mr. Clyde Davis Church Education Development Brigham Young University Provo, Utah 84601

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Dear Clyde:

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Thank you for forwarding the information from LeGrande Belnap regarding the Montana property.

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I would like to meet with you again during my next trip West. I am sure that you will see Paul before you see me, therefore, he will have an opportunity to review the Montana property situation with you.

Best regards.

Very truly yours, ESSEX INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Howard Lanier, General Manager Metallurgical & Mining Division

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cc: Mr. Paul I. Eimon

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July 14, 1972

Mr. Howard Lanier Essex International, Inc. 1601 Wall Street Fort Wayne, Indiana 46804

Dear Howard:

Additional information on the mine of LeGrande Belnap in the Montana area is enclosed. I feel it would be wise for you to do most of the negotiating with Belnap. I understand Grover Heinrich looked at this property and was rather enthusiastic. I may be wrong because this is the feeling of LeGrande. The next time you are in the West, I would appreciate a call and maybe we could visit.

Sincerely,

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MANAGER

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EAST 920 WOLVERTON COURT (HAMILTON AT NEVADA) SPOKANE. WASHINGTON 99207 July 11, 1972

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Looking forward to visiting with you when you're in Utah on your next visit.

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jb3/2 Enclosure Copy of Report believed to have been written by Mr. L. S. Ropes, Mining Engineer, Helena, Montana

Park County, Mont.

Helena, Mont. Dec. 20, 1915.

The Emigrant Mine comprises two patented claims on Emigrant Creek, Park County, Montana, THE GREAT EASTERN and GREAT WESTERN.

The lode was discovered in the sixties, by the early placer miners. In the eighties one of these called the attention of the present owner to the discovery and they reopened the ground sluice, cross cut the lode a measured width of 114 feet, taking out about two feet depth of bed-rock across the lode. Later an organization undertook the development of the property but became involved in the panic of '93 to '96, were handicapped on account of the zinc in the ore and dropped the property which reverted to the present owner.

Geology

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Mineralogy

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Reckoned on the basis of nominal prices, the lode will represent an average value of eight (\$8.00) to twelve (\$12.00) perton.

Assuming a recovery of \$7.00 per ton, value at the mine nominal prices, with deductions for mining, milling and haul to railway of \$5.00 per ton, there is a margin of \$2.00 per ton for profits.

Operating Conditions, Mine.

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Mill.

The character of the ore is such that no complicated process will be necessary to make a high recovery and separation of the values. Operating costs should be low and the original costs of a 1,000 ton unit should not be above the average for such plants.

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Photo No. 5, shaft and ore bins, looking southwest, Emigrant Peak in the background. Bedrock at 12 feet below collar.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Clyde Davis called today and advised that Bellnap offered BYU an interest in his Montana property. Bellnap wanted to talk to me about it thus Clyde asked of our interest.

As I recall, Ken Jones was familiar with the property and you have had some discussions with Bellnap. Is this property one that we should investigate further?

I advised Davis that I would contact him sometime next week.

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Copy of Report believed to have been written by Mr. L. S. Ropes, Mining Engineer, Helena, Montana

Park County, Mont.

Helena, Mont. Dec. 20, 1915.

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No. 11 Cons. 13.85%, original ore, No. 10.

It is quite evident from a casual inspection of the ore about the shaft, and of the outcrop, that 8, : 1 to 10:1 ratio, is a reasonable one, for the concentration of the lode as a whole.

The hand panned concentrates above represent a general average of 5 : 1 ratio of concentration, corresponding with the shipment in 1895. There are, however, zones, or segretations, uncovered in the sluice-way which, I am reliably informed, will concentrate in ratio of 3 or 4 : 1. In my opinion, a ratio of 8 : 1 is a fair estimate; 10 : 1 an absolutely safe estimate.

On the basis of a 10 : 1 ratio of concentration, the following represents my estimate of the value of the ore:

	Gold	Silver	Copper	Lead		Zinc	36.28
300	0.05 95	18 6.0 oz	10.4.21.0%	620 2.0	7,20	2.0	
30	· · 12	64 8.0 "	15-1.5	9 30 3.0	10 30	3.0 _	51 34

Reckoned on the basis of nominal prices, the lode will represent an average value of eight (\$8.00) to twelve (\$12.00) perton.

Assuming a recovery of \$7.00 per ton, value at the mine nominal prices, with deductions for mining, milling and haul to railway of \$5.00 per ton, there is a margin of \$2.00 per ton for profits.

Operating Conditions, Mine.

The andesite hanging wall is very strong, as indicated by the overhanging cliffs, and bluffs shown in the photos. With the great width of the deposits, large stopes can be taken and these back filled with the side rock, of which there are millions of cubic yards, over the lode and along the gulch. This material is of small size, easily handled by power shovel. In this manner the minimum of timber will be required in mining.

The construction of the tunnel, estimated at \$150,000.00 will afford economical outlet for the ore, save hoisting and pumping expense, and permit the development of considerable power for drilling and handling the lowering skips. It will reduce the transportation costs of ore from the mine to the mill.

Mill.

The character of the ore is such that no complicated process will be necessary to make a high recovery and separation of the values. Operating costs should be low and the original costs of a 1,000 ton unit should not be above the average for such plants.

There is every indication that the property will justify the early erection of a unit of this size. The expenditure of from \$20,000.00 to \$25,000.00 in preliminary development, along lines suggested, will, in my opinion, fully justify the construction of a plant of from 2,000 to 2,500 tons, daily capacity. Accompanying this report will be found a map of the claims, as patented, a longitudinal section of the lode at the shaft and twelve photos of the mine and surroundings.

Photo 1. is a view looking up Emigrant, showing old placer workings, below the falls. The shoulder of the mountain in the background is andesite, beyond the falls.

Photo No. 2, a placer camp below the mine which lies beyond the left hand point and at the foot of the saddle, extending to the upper right.

.Photo No. 3, view of placer above the mine from point above shaft, looking up the gulch. Road at left in small slide rock of porphyrite.

Photo No. 4, shaft and ore bins, seen from roof of cabin in No. 6 looking south.

Photo No. 5, shaft and ore bins, looking southwest, Emigrant Peak in the background. Bedrock at 12 feet below collar.

Photo No. 6, looking down gulch from top of outcrop, photo 7-8-9, andesite slopes of Emigrant Mt. Snow slide at left.

Photos 7 & 8, two views of the outcrop on east of gulch from near the shaft, 85 feet of the outcrop, exposed in face. Slide rock over the outcrop is the foot of same seen in lower part of Nos. 11 and 12, and runs up the slope nearly 1,000 feet.

Photo No. 9, North end of outcrop seen from down the gulch. Crib work at right and old sluice way used in original prospecting. In center foreground, partially filled with wash of the creek. The east tunnel is seen in the lower left hand corner. This view is taken looking at right angles to the strike of the orebody.

Photos 10 and 11 matched together, these give a view of the mountain on the East side of the gulch, above the outcrop. The line of contact and probable course of the lode, is shown by the draw to the right of the double tree in No. 11. Note the difference in the weathering of the andesite at the left and porphyrite at the right-south of this draw. These were taken at an altitude of about 1,200 feet above the moraine.

Photo No. 12, exposes the andesite mountain somewhat more to the North. The main flow of slide rock at the left of the double tree, is that extending upward from the outcrop of the lode. 11 and 12 indicate the dip of the contact. Ore of the same character has been found beyond the top of the mountain shown in Nos. 11 and 12.

Reference is made to the Livingstone Folio, U. S. G. S. Folio No. 1, 1894 and geological notes by Joseph P. Iddlings and Walter Harvey Weed.

Respectfully submitted,

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