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Associate Deputy Minister

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Re: Interpo-Atlin (Atlin-Ruffner) application for production lease

Mineral Reserves

The information included in the submission for a production permit is inadequate on which to base mineral reserve estimates for the Nos. 2 and 4 veins.

The only information supplied includes two longitudinal vertical sections through the No. 2 and No. 4 veins, and an ore reserve estimate shown as Item 4 E. The lack of geological maps, sample plans, diamond drill assay results, and layouts makes any estimate of tonnage and grade questionable.

Mining Plans

The development and mining plans outlined in Item 6, appear to represent a philosophical rather than a practical approach. A lack of development scheduling is obvious.

Manpower

The lack of planning is indicated in the personnel requirements which would apparently fluctuate erratically. The small community of Atlin would be hard pressed to accommodate even the small crew envisioned.

Recommendation

In view of the almost total lack of geological, mining and other information and planning it is recommended that no production permit be granted.

Mr. Duda's interpretation and recommendation (Nov 15, 1974) is concurred with at this time.

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