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Mr. Alex J. Davidson, Senior Exploration Geologist, Corporation Falconbridge Copper, 6415 - 64th Street, Delta, B.C. V4K 4E2

Dear Mr. Davidson,

Further to our telephone conversations and your letter of March 24th, 1983, this is to confirm that I have been unable to come up with any answer to your problem concerning ownership and status of mineral rights involved in the mineral claims in the Mt. Sicker area.

Any reasonable effort to obtain such information could involve months of work with no assurance that you could depend on the result. In many instances it might require a court decision. Unfortunately, the E & N, over the years, parcelled out various rights to individuals and records of such transactions have either become difficult to interpret or lost in a maze of documents.

Just as a basic rule of thumb the straight lot number would involve  $\underline{\text{base}}$  minerals and the lot number with the "G" suffix involves  $\underline{\text{gold}}$  and  $\underline{\text{silver}}$ . The Crown retained precious metals in the E & N Grant therefore the owner of a mineral claim often obtained the separate grant from the Crown for the gold and silver i.e.

L 147 base minerals L 65G gold and silver.

Both of the above lot numbers belong to the Copper Queen mineral claim.

As I have been unable to comply with your request there will be no charge. Perhaps I might be able to assist you at some future date where there are reasonable title records or if you require assistance with the Mineral, Placer or Coal Acts.

Yours very truly.

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