

To:

Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources

MEMORANDUM

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Participants

Mine Development Review Process

Date: February 27, 1989

Re: Congress Gold Project - Development Status

I attach for your information a copy of a recent letter from Levon Resources Ltd., summarizing the company's decision to suspend further mine planning for its Congress Gold Project. The company feels that it must satisfy its own information needs before it can properly address the issues raised by MDRP agencies in the review of the November 1988 Stage I report. As such, the Mine Development Steering Committee has deferred further review of this project until Levon proceeds with further mine planning.

Norman Ringstad

Secretary

Mine Development Steering Committee c/o Engineering and Inspection Branch Mineral Resources Division

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Letter from L. Wolfin to R. Crook, 1989-02-09

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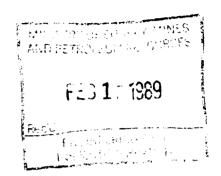
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Dear Mr. Crook:

RE: N. Ringstad Letter dated January 31, 1989

Levon Resources continues to compile data regarding its' Congress gold project joint venture. Not surprisingly, many of the concerns expressed in Mr. Ringstad's above-noted letter closely parallel our own. We feel that we must satisfy our own needs for information before we can properly address resolution of a number of issues raised by MDRP.

We respectfully request that the Mine Development Steering Committee hold in abeyance its consideration of our Stage I submission until such time as we can more accurately and responsibly respond to its stated concerns. We expect that our interests will continue to be represented by Robinson-SRK as communications are resumed.

Your co-operation and understanding are gratefully acknowledged.

Sincerely yours,

Louls Wolfin President

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G. Martin Greer

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Veronex Resources



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Mine Development Review Process

Date:

October 13, 1988

Congress Gold Project - Stage I Submission (September, 1988) Re:

The Mine Development Steering Committee has accepted the above two-volume submission for a formal detailed review following a preliminary screening and subsequent update of the geology, acid mine drainage, and tailings pond alternatives sections of the submission.

The submission is being sent directly to MDRP review agencies by the proponent. We should do whatever we reasonably can to expedite report review.

The Stage I submission is based on your information requirements, as stated at the conclusion of the November, 1987 prospectus review. You are referred to the compendium of prospectus review comments (conveyed under cover of the 1988-03-24 letter to Mr. Lou Wolfin from Ray Crook).

Your Stage I review should be geared toward the following:

- a decision on approval-in-principle at the end of Stage I; and 0
- 0 a decision on whether or not outstanding concerns can be handled at Stage III, thereby permitting a waiver of Stage II.

In conducting your review, you should focus as necessary from your agency's perspective, on any key issues which have been previously noted.

By 1988-12-02, you are asked to respond to the following questions from the standpoint of your agency's interests:

Do you support the granting of approval-in-principle at the end of Stage I? 1. Alternatively, should a decision on approval-in-principle be deferred to the end of Stage II?

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- 2. Do you have concerns, comments or information requirements which should be addressed in a Stage II submission? Alternatively, could outstanding issues be resolved through routine permitting processes at Stage III?
- 3. If you require information at Stage II, please indicate the topics and level of information required.
- 4. If you do not require Stage II involvement, what (if any) information, permitting requirements, etc., must be satisfied at Stage III?

Secretary

Mine Development Steering Committee c/o Engineering and Inspection Branch **Mineral Resources Division**

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Bruce McRae

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Mine Development Review Process

Date: November 30, 1987

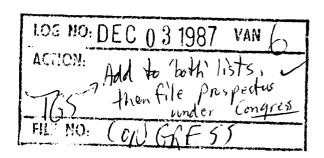
Re: Congress Gold Project (Levon Resources Ltd./Veronex Resources Ltd.)

Levon/Veronex have filed a prospectus on their Congress Gold Project, located 100 kilometres west of Lillooet, and 5 kilometres west of the Village of Gold Bridge. Workforce is estimated at about 80.

The company's development schedule appears somewhat optimistic in that there is no provision for a field season after receipt of the prospectus review comments and before the filing of the Stage I report. We understand that some Stage I data are being collected on the basis of predicting our areas of interest. In any event, while official completion of the prospectus review is unlikely before February of 1988, taking into account the current project review workload and the intervention of the Christmas season, key agencies may be approached for direct discussions with the company in order to obtain a preview of the prospectus review comments, thus allowing an earlier commencement of additionally required Stage I fieldwork. If your agency is approached, please cooperate with this informal approach to exchanges.

In the meantime, by no later than 1988-02-08, you are asked to review the prospectus and to respond to the following questions from your agency's perspective:

- Does your agency require the company to provide information in a Stage I submission? If so, please outline your concerns and the topics to be addressed.
- 2. If not:
 - (i) Does your agency wish to identify any matters which should be addressed at the permitting stage?



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(ii) Alternatively, does your agency decline all further involvement in the review of this project? (In accordance with normal practice, failure to respond will be interpreted as indicating no further interest).

Thank you for your cooperation.

Raymond L. Crook

Chairman

Mine Development Steering Committee c/o Mineral Policy & Evaluation Branch Mineral Resources Division

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