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August 20, 2001

Steven Wuschke
Ministry of Energy and Mines
#201-100 Street North
Cranbrook, BC V1C 3P9

By Fax: 250-426-1652

Dear Mr Wuschke:

RE: SHAG and DP-CANDY WORK PERMITS

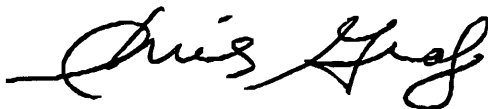
This letter is written in response to your letter of August 13, 2001 which advised that you would close these files within 30 days (ie. by September 12, 2001) if you did not receive a response to your correspondence of April 4, 2001. I have not received any letters of this date (only for February 28, 2001) and would like you to send a copy of it to Ecstall's address at the top of this letterhead, which is a **change of address** that you should make to your files, and perhaps you could fax a copy in the meantime to 604-681-4402 which is a phone/fax so please call me first.

In any event, it would be inappropriate to close these files because the projects may go ahead if funding can be raised and it is necessary to have the permits approved to raise the exploration funds. As well, the Free Use Permit from the Ministry of Forests is valid until April 1, 2002, and I would like you to send me a copy of it for my file..

Furthermore your threat to close these files is contrary to the governments New Era document which says it wants to encourage and promote mineral exploration not shut it down.

Would you kindly let me know that these two work programs will not be closed nor the Free Use Permit returned to MOF.

Sincerely,
ECSTALL MINING CORPORATION



Chris Graf, P.Eng.,
President

cc: Ken Sumanik MEM Ministerial Assistant



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August 13, 2001

Chris Graf, P. Eng.
Ecstall Mining Corporation
P3 5455 Balsam St.
Vancouver BC V6C 2B3

Dear Sir:

**RE: Notice of Work Applications
Shag and DP-Candy Properties**

We have not received any response to our correspondence of April 4, 2001 on the above noted properties.

If we have not received a response indicating your intentions within thirty (30) days of the date of this letter, the processing of your application will terminate. We are in receipt of a Free Use Permit #13914 from the Ministry of Forests in Cranbrook for the Shag property, which expires April 1, 2002. This will be returned to the Ministry of Forests. Should you decide to pursue the project at a later date you must submit a new application.

You are reminded that no work may commence until you are in receipt of a valid permit.

Sincerely,


Steven Wuschke, P. Eng.
District Manager/Engineer
Kootenay Region

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Cc MOF - P. White, Cranbrook

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