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TO Mr. Hart Horn,  
A.D.M. OPERATIONS BRANCH

DEPARTMENT OF MINES  
AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES

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In telephone conversation with Ivan Todd today I learned that 400 - 500 tons of ore was shipped to the Reeves McDonald mill in late March and has been milled.

Since the Reeves McDonald closing test samples have been sent to the HB mine near Salmo and these tests are continuing. If the results are satisfactory the open cut which I believe is on the Eva Bell claim in which a 40 foot face of high grade zinc ore is exposed will be extended as a drift. This work will give some information on the continuity of the mineralization and if the results are encouraging mining could continue on a regular basis.

The property is still in the exploration and testing stage with significant reserves only in the possible category. Approval for production should await the results of further testing which would include limited shipments as required.

Any ore broken in exploration should be stockpiled.

I expect to hear back from Ivan Todd regarding the HB testing work next week.

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