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Vernon, B.C.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
No.....
ALSO
TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

Sir,—

I have received an application from Joe Armstrong of Similkameen regarding his mineral claim on No. 8 Reserve and would appreciate your advice in the matter.

Joe Armstrong and his wife have staked out claims and wish to commence work on the same. Their intention is to ship the ore by rail to the smelter. He claims that the ore contains heavy silver contents with traces of gold and very little copper. Regarding the Regulations I am not clear as to whether shipments of ore in this manner would be allowed as in other cases ore may be shipped out from claims under the guise of being precious metal and in reality being copper or other metals not covered by the Regulations. The land on which his claim is located is a rocky bluff and practically valueless and I presume it would not be the intention of the Department to claim a large rental for this class of land. I have suggested in a tentative way that he obtain an assay of this ore and give us a certificate and also signify his willingness to enter into a bond in case of damage, although I do not think there is any possibility of such damage occurring. However, I have notified him that I am writing to you for definite information before any permit can be granted to him to

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