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August 31, 1972

Mr. R. W. Knostman
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The Anaconda Company
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Re: Dolly Varden district
Elko County, Nevada

Dear Mr. Knostman:

Thank you for your letter of August 25, 1972, regarding the Red Hill prospect, and for your efforts on my behalf. Perhaps the negative information should be treated optimistically. At least, if there was ever anything there--it still is. Again, many thanks.

Sincerely yours,

Roscoe M. Smith

cc: DRF
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August 25, 1972

Mr. Roscoe M. Smith
U. S. Department of the Interior
Office of Minerals Exploration
345 Middlefield Road
Menlo Park, Calif. 94025

Dear Mr. Smith:

Mr. Barber has asked me to reply to your letter of June 27, 1972 requesting information regarding an outcrop resembling a "leached porphyry copper" near the Victoria Mine in Elko County, Nevada. Our geologists in Salt Lake City believe the outcrop you describe to be the Red Hill prospect about five miles north of the Victoria Mine. This prospect is not covered by Anaconda claims, and we have no information in our files regarding it.

I am sorry we cannot be of more help on this subject.

Sincerely yours,

R. W. Knostman

RWK/mc

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345 Middlefield Road
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June 27, 1972

Mr. G. A. Barber, Manager
Exploration Department
The Anaconda Company
151 S. Tucson Boulevard
Tucson, Arizona 85716

Re: Dolly Varden district
Elko County, Nevada

Dear Mr. Barber:

In response to my request to Glenn Waterman, whom I have known for many years, for information on the Dolly Varden district that could be published, he suggested that I write directly to you.

The U.S. Geological Survey and the Nevada Bureau of Mines have for some years cooperated in publishing a series of bulletins on the Geology and Mineral Resources of each of the 17 counties in Nevada. The report on Elko County--updating Nevada Bur. Mines Bull. 54--is in preparation, and I have been assigned the section on mineral resources.

There is a statement in USGS Bull. 648 (Hill, 1916, p. 82) that an outcrop near the Victoria mine resembles a leached porphyry copper. I would like to summarize in a sentence or two when the deposit was explored and what, where, and how much was found. If it has already been published, I do not have the reference.

I shall be most appreciative of any information that you can release for publication, in which case will you please also instruct me on how my source should be credited.

Sincerely yours,

Roscoe M. Smith

cc: Glenn C. Waterman

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