November 11. 1969.

Mr. Clarence O. Reed, President, Sonoma M.nes Inc., P.O. Box 226, Guerneville, California.

Dear Clarence, the original and two copies, enclosed, herein, are self explanatory.

I feel that in the case of this property one might write his own ticket; they have been spending money, have nothing to show for it, have a promising property, if trends can be established as outlined.

By putting off any action in the field until spring, the timing might be right, for by that time the Altoona should be doing well, and production from the Mt. Jackson should be better, we hope.

De Santis said something about seeing you next week; I don't recall the details, but I assume that such is his intention.

I inferred the idea that I would recommend it, only on the type of arrangement suggested in my text, and after the weather warmed up, and at no cost until we had assured ourselves that it was a worthwhile property. He did not appear to be averse to such rough thinking, at all. I firmly believe that they have reached a point where they have to do something, and this might have great appeal.

As I told Irv this morning I am incapacitated, feel lousy with aches in hand and knee, and have the doctor looking into it. I will join you on the 800 level in the 25th, but only if I can smoke my pipe. Irv suggests that I chew.

Sincerely,

Devid LeCount Evens