

50 Jenner Street
Laddonfield,
New Jersey 08033
February 1, 1972

Academy of Natural Sciences
19th & The Parkway
Philadelphia, Penn. 19103

Mr. Tom Lloyd
Limnology Dept.

Dear Mr. Lloyd:

I have just returned from Maine and the meeting of
Goose Pond Reclamation Committee.

When we met last January 13th there was discussion
on the possibility of an environmental impact study to
be carried out at the Callahan mine-site by the Academy.

Dr. Patrick called me on the 14th to give an estimate
of the cost for such a study and quoted a minimum of five
to maximum of ten thousand dollars for such a study. This
along with a monitoring fee for monthly tests for toxic
metal ions at approximately \$ 700.00 per year.

The committee was favorably impressed with these
figures, although I mentioned they were subject to some
changes.

As this was a verbal presentation on my part to the
committee they are inclined to have more details on what
the Academy and your department would propose in the way
of an environmental study of the Goose Pond area. Dr.
Patrick indicated that you and Mr. Hart would be able to
conduct such a study particularly if it concerned the dev-
elopment of a recreational use for the mine site and tidal
estuary.

Would you be able to develop a formal proposal cover-
ing what the study would encompass as well as the cost so
that I could take this up with our committee ?

I was unable to collect samples at the mine-site on
this past trip due to intolerable winds and low temperatures
along with the unsafe conditions in the pit area, will try
again the next time I'm up.

Sincerely,

Albert Sandecki
Chairman GFRC

cc: CNR

CALLAHAN MINING CORPORATION

TO: Goose Pond Reclamation
Committee

DATE: 1/28/72

FROM: F. M. Beck

COPIES: R. L. Dow, John Hurst,
R. G. Doyle, Albert Sandecki
John Gray

SUBJECT: Miscellaneous Items

Estimates of feasibility have been made by the mine staff and powder experts on moving the mud into the open pit. It is the feeling of the mine engineers and powder men that controlled blasting of the toe and a slot would be sufficient to get the mud moving. Blast full patterns have already been laid out, but it is probable that the mud will not be moved until after the mill shuts down, due to the possibility of disrupting the retaining dam which provides the sump with water for recycling.

I discussed the turbidity of the water in Goose Cove with the mine staff, and apparently the mill is taken off the recycling system during the winter. The turbid water is caused by direct pumping from the pit. Although mill process water is not involved, the ground water seeping into the pit becomes turbid with the clays in the pit bottom. Use of settling ponds is not possible during the winter due to freezing.

I passed around my only copy of the Battelle proposal at the meeting, but it was not returned. I would appreciate its return to me and would be happy to make Xerox copies for anyone interested. Am I correct in assuming that it is the consensus of those at the meeting that the Battelle proposal is too expensive for what it will provide.

I have called Bill Fenton, a lawyer in Bar Harbor, and asked him to help John with the incorporation papers when John gets in touch with him.

The meeting of the Goose Pond Reclamation Committee was not called to order and therefore could not be considered a formal meeting. However, I shall write up my impressions of the discussions during our informal meeting and pass them out for your records.

everyone lost

Reclamation isn't presenting all the problems at Callahan Mining Company's open pit operation at Cape Rosier. For some months, all talk has turned to possible productive uses of the site once mining is phased out completely this year, but now a study by Robert L. Dow and John R. Hurst, Jr., of the Maine Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries indicates that toxic mine wastes from the copper and zinc mine may be killing marine organisms which lobsters, clams, and oysters rely on as food.

In an 18-page booklet entitled *Rehabilitation of the Cape Rosier Open Pit Mine*, Dow and Hurst claim that the marine environment already has been harmed and predict there will be still greater harm if the area is not carefully controlled. The two object to turning the nine-acre, 300-foot deep mine pit into a marina by filling it with water and reopening a channel to the sea. A marina is the only specific proposal that has been set forward for reclamation of the mine.

The Callahan mine formerly was a shallow salt water cove connected to the open bay by a reversing falls which flowed one way and then the other depending on the flow of the tide. Callahan dammed the rock outcropping which was the barrier for the falls, pumped the cove dry, and mined the minerals on the bottom of the cove.

Writing in the *Maine Sunday Telegram*, Bob Cummings reviewed the situation: The 102nd Maine Legislature almost unanimously approved the opening of the mine; most of the ore was on the floor of the salt water cove and thus belonged to the public by Maine law. In 1966, then Governor John H. Reed urged that the mining operation would be a "great boost for our state and for Hancock County." Minerals to keep the mine operating for 10 to 20 years were predicted, but five years' supply has turned out to be the limit.

The state has derived some benefits from the mining although the total damage to the environment as yet is unknown. Maine has received about \$30,000 in royalties, according to Robert G. Doyle, state geologist and director of the Maine Mining Bureau, the state agency which supervises mining on public property. Frederick O. Beck of Portland, regional exploration manager for Callahan, added that during the peak year of operations, the mine boosted the economy in the state by nearly \$2.5 million in payrolls, payments for goods and services, and taxes. About 80 still are employed regularly at the mine although phasing out has begun. But, Beck said, by the time mining ends this summer, Callahan won't have recovered even its initial investment, approximately \$4.5 million.

Dow and Hurst feel that the state has lost, too, that the mining has had a "significant effect" on toxic metal levels in bottom sediments, rockweeds, and soft shell clams. There is evidence that the effect has spread well beyond the effluent discharge site, the Sea and Shore Fisheries officials say. They note that clam populations in the area are "rather sparse" and that clam population outside the area, particularly in upper Penobscot Bay, has dramatically increased, suggesting that "the toxic effluents going into Goose Cove may have had a suppressive effect on the expansion of the clam population there."

Mine Is Closing Amid Fears Of Seafood Pollution

By BOB CUMMINGS

BROOKSVILLE — A copper and zinc mine, opened here five years ago as part of a dream to bring prosperity to depressed Hancock County, is about to close amid warnings of a potential environmental nightmare.

"THIS MINING operation will be a great boost for our state and for Hancock County," commented then Gov. John H. Reed back in 1966.

Reed asked a special session of the 102nd Maine Legislature to approve the mine on state-owned land under Goose Cove in Penobscot Bay. Legislators went along almost unanimously.

But this winter the comments are more somber.

A study by Robert L. Dow and John R. Hurst Jr. of the Maine Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries says that toxic mine wastes may be killing off marine organisms used for food by lobsters, clams and oysters.

AND THE RESEARCHERS add that even the shellfish that survive the toxic conditions contain higher concentrations of heavy metals than the federal Food and Drug Administration thinks are safe for people to eat.

The mine, an open pit operation run by Callahan Mining Co., is scheduled to close by early summer after less than five years of operation because there isn't any ore left.

The warnings by Dow and Hurst are contained in an 18-page booklet published by the Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries titled: "Rehabilitation of the Cape Rosier Open Pit

so the cove could be pumped dry and the mineral wealth on the bottom excavated.

But the wealth proved less extensive than had been expected.

When the mine was first opened, predictions were that enough ore would be available to keep the operation going for at least 10 years and maybe 20.

But according to Frederick O. Beck of Portland, regional exploration manager for Callahan, the ore will be exhausted by late spring or early summer. Mining will be phased out then and the milling of minerals already mined will be completed by early fall.

The Maine legislature had to approve opening of the mine originally because the bulk of the ore was located on the floor of the salt-water cove — which is owned by the public under Maine Law.

FOR ITS EFFORTS the state has received about \$30,000 in royalties according to Robert G. Doyle, state geologist and director of the Maine Mining Bureau — the official state agency that supervises mining on public property.

But the state gained other advantages, Beck says.

During the peak year of operations, the mine contributed nearly \$2.5 million to the state's economy in payrolls, payments for goods and services, and taxes.

And though phasing out of operations has begun, about 80 people are still regularly employed at the mine.

Callahan's experience has been less bright, however, Beck says.

Though the mine is making money in its day-to-day oper-

CALLAHAN MINING CORPORATION

TO: John Gray, Steve Sandecki,
Bob Doyle, Bob Dow
FROM: Frederick M. Beck

DATE: January 20, 1972

COPIES:

SUBJECT: January 26 Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Goose Pond Reclamation Committee to discuss the formation of a non-profit corporation on Wednesday, January 26, at 10:00 A.M. at the Callahan Mining Corporation offices in Harborside, Maine.

ATTENDED MT'G 10 AM 1/24/72 11 PM DOYLE ARRIVED
DOW, DOYLE, BECK, GRAY, HURST, SANDECKI

CONTRARD ON ALTERNATE USE FOR MINE-SITE
AND MOST IMPORTANTLY ON DISPOSITION OF WASTE
MUD + ROCK INTO PIT AREA -

BATTALIE - CONTRACT DISCUSSED - 24,000 COST

A.N.S. DR. PATRICK'S 5-10,000 COST FOR ENVIRONMENTAL
IMPACT STUDY.

ALL AGREED TO CARRY OUT TECHNICALITIES FOR
INCORPORATION - ALL SIGNED PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT
INCLUDING BOB HOWARD.

ENDED ABOUT 2 PM --

20.00 GAS

12.00 MOTEL

5.25 TOLLS

37.25 TOTAL.

MRS. ROBINSON WANTS THE WASTE COUL
DITCH FILLED COMPLETELY AND
LANDSCAPED. AS PER BECK.

Port City Motel

On U. S. 1 By-Pass

Adjacent to Turnpike Traffic Circle
Portsmouth, N. H. Tel. 603-436-4378

11:00 A. M. IS CHECKING OUT TIME. GUESTS
DESIRING TO OCCUPY ROOM LATER WILL MAKE
ARRANGEMENTS AT OFFICE. GUESTS STAYING
OVER PLEASE NOTIFY OFFICE.

Received 12.00 For Room

No. 5 (Date) 1/24/72

From A. Sandecki

THANK YOU

J. Garland
CLERK

50 Turner Street
Madisonfield,
New Jersey 08033
January 17, 1972

Mr. John H. Gray
Second Selectman
Town of Brooksville,
Maine 04617

Dear John:

Hope to hear from you soon in regard to the meeting for the proposed incorporation of the Goose Pond Reclamation Committee.

Received the copy of the Selectmen's letter to Fred Beck agreeing to arrange incorporation and that of Bob Doyle's concerning the review of the incorporation papers.

In reference to the copy of Bob Doyle's letter of Dec. 10th, do you have any indication of the substance of the "one minor correction", and who in the Attorney General's office reviewed these documents with him?

Also wanted to write to you expressing my concern about our telephone conversation on the 9th and your mention that there would not be an attorney at the meeting as a representative of the Town. I think there should be a clear understanding of the aspects of incorporation, which leads me to strongly urge the Town to have a legal representative on their behalf at the coming meeting. I think in order to have effective organization at the local level and considering the majority on the committee will be local people there should be a town attorney at hand to clarify any questions that might come up.

I understand there is a Maine Municipal Association at 89 Water Street in Hallowell, Maine 04317, Phone No. 623-8429, a Mr. John Salisbury can give the name of an attorney.

John, I know you are probably aware of this M.M.A. but I wanted to express my concern on this point of no legal representative for Brooksville. As I recall you mentioned the towns in Maine have access to legal advice for free, if there is a charge for this council I would be willing to chip in on the cost.

Through past experience I think it would be very frustrating to have an incorporated committee working without a good understanding of what it can or cannot do.

Considering what Callahan has to gain in a tax savings by setting up such a group I can see no objection on their part to the town having a legal representative from the MMA.

Sincerely,

Wm. Sherman Greene, Jr.
Attorney and Counsellor at Law
Sunset, Maine 04683
207-348-2881

January 14, 1972

Mr. Albert E. Sandecki
50 Tanner Street
Haddonfield, N J 08033

Dear Albert:

Thank you for your letter of January 12, 1972 and enclosures.

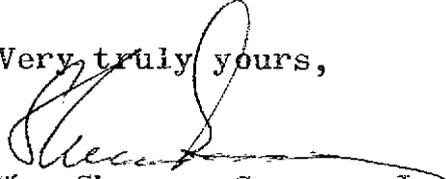
I shall write more fully concerning these matters next week, at that time also giving my suggestions as to the incorporation.

I shall, of course, be happy to attend your meeting if you feel I could do so without embarrassing you or the others as I am not the Town counsel nor the Committee counsel.

As to legal advice for Brooksville, I would suggest they call Maine Municipal Association, 89 Water Street, Hallowell, Maine, 04317, phone 207-623-8429, Mr. John I. Salisbury. Mr. Salisbury can give them the name of the M.M.A. attorney, who I think is Richard B. Sanborn of Augusta or Stuart G. Snyder, and they could talk with them about these matters.

I hope that the water situation will now progress and I shall keep you informed.

Very truly yours,


Wm. Sherman Greene, Jr.

WSG:RL

INSTITUTE FOR WATER RESEARCH
WASHINGTON, D.C. U.S. DEPT. OF INTERIOR.

MR. HERSHEY -

CALLED DOW / 1/13/72 NOT IN SPUR OF
9:PM. INCORPORATION
TAX WAST OFF.

ACADEMY (LLOYD + ASST.)
COST EST. SURVY. — 5,000.00 — 10,000.00

PIT
AREA
WATERS.

SAMPLING — 4 SAMPLES / MONTH — 700.00 / YEAR — 14.60 EXACT
(WITH COLLECTED SAMPLE SENT TO ACADEMY). 15.00 / SAMPLE APPRO.

SAMPLES / ^{RELATIVE TO PROBABILITY -} SALT } 175.00 ~~104.00~~
^{TOXIC ION EFFECTS} FRESH

DR. HAUGH OR DR. STEELMAN

DR. PATRICK WILL LOOK INTO NEW LEGISLATION AND AVAILABILITY OF FED FUNDS.
FEDERAL REGULATIONS IN REGARD TO
RECLAMATION — AVAILABILITY OF FED. FUNDS TO ASSIST.

AS PER DR. PATRICK'S CALL
1/17/72 3:45 PM.

DR. PATRICK

Availability of EPA RESEARCH GRANTS —

Time required to bring them into effect —

Need for AA unit is critical considering this situation and that of the Kerr America mine complex at Blue Hill. — WATER RESOURCES

If funds and equipment would not be available by end of March — what would the academy be able to do in the monitoring of the Callahan open-pit waters — Estimate of costs on basis of a year.

INST WATER RESOURCES
RESEARCH

MR. HERSHEY, WASH.

50 Tanner Street
Haddonfield, N.J.
January 12, 1972

Mr. William Sherman Greene, Jr.
Sunset, Maine 04683

Dear Mr. Greene:

Thank you for the telephone call on the 9th. I heard from Fred Beck on the afternoon of the 10th on both the water situation as well as the incorporation of our Goose Pond Reclamation Committee.

Fred had received a reply from Frank Boring on the placement of a well with certain understandings, such as property adjoining his (don't know how much) a parcel of land bordering the Goose Pond area to facilitate the construction of a dock, when the pond area is reflooded and last but not least, first crack at the purchase of the entire Callahan mine-site when and if it is to be placed on the block.

This was in answer to Fred Beck's letter of last Nov. I understand that Fred will be discussing this with New York and will answer Mr. Boring shortly.

Our committee's work on the incorporation seems to be making progress. I understand the meeting to carry out the formalities of incorporation will be held sometime during the last week of January. What troubles me is that the Brooksville selectmen are going into this without the presents of an legal advisor at the meeting. Mr. Doyle has evidently secured the OK for this incorporation through the State of Maine's council. I do not know who the person was that studied the documents and I'm sorry to say I do not have much confidence in Mr. Doyle.

I get the impression that the Town does not wish to incur the expense of an attorney at this meeting, this is a bit confusing to me in that I thought that Brooksville like any town has easy access to legal advice, at no cost.

Any recommendations would be appreciated. I would like you to attend this meeting if you would be willing to, but I feel I should check with the selectmen first as I do not want to cause problems. (bit of a bind)

Could you find out for me the name and address of the source for legal council to the towns located in Hancock County ?

I may not be very tactful in making these requests but feel that it is important to have legal representation on the town's behalf at this meeting.

Sincerely,

Albert Sandeck

Fred Beck's call 4:25 - 4:45 pm 1/10/72

Discussed water situation (ref. Greene letter 1/12/72)

No money from Bureau of Mines (feds)

E.D.A. Mr. Coffey Marina proposal downgraded. possible recreational usage (funds ?)

Environmental study estimate for \$ 27,000.00 by the Klopp labs of the (Battelle Columbus Laboratories of Columbus, Ohio)

Funds would be requested from the State of Maine (?)

Meeting for incorporation of committee last week in January will call to confirm Beck to contact Doyle.

1/13/72
K...
...
Washington, D.C. 20540

DR. PATRICK MARTINEC

1/13/72 - 10AM - NOON

NO CHANCE EPA GRANTS
ACADEMY WILL FORWARD
COST ESTIMATE FOR MONITORING
GET SAMPLES FOR DEPARTMENT.

CONSULTANT FOR AREA
FROM PENNSYLVANIA DEPT OF
MINE RECLAMATION - PHOTOS.

ESTIMATES TO BE CALLED BACK
BY 1/17/72. TOM LLOYD.

HART & ASSISTANT, COULD ACT AS
QUALIFIED CONSULTANTS ON DEVELOPMENT
OF RECREATION POTENTIAL FOR MINE-SITE



STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF SEA AND SHORE FISHERIES
STATE HOUSE ANNEX
CAPITOL SHOPPING CENTER
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330

January 6, 1972

Mr. Albert E. Sandecki
50 Tanner Street
Haddonfield, N. J. 08033

Dear Mr. Sandecki:

Attached is the letter I wrote to you on December 16. I did not send it out because I decided I should give a little more thought to this situation, and, quite frankly, I am still undecided. I tried to telephone you this morning but was informed by the operator that you had an unlisted telephone number.

There are several other considerations besides those that I included in my letter of December 16.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Bob Dow'.

ROBERT L. DOW,
Marine Research Director

RLD/jwu
Enc.



Town of Brooksville

Brooksville, Maine

326-4518

18 December 71

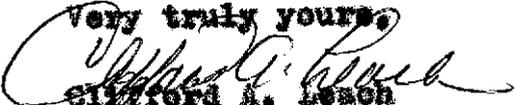
Callahan Mining Corporation
S. S. Dist. Exploration Office
41 Union Wharf, Portland, Maine

Mr. Fred Beck
Exploration Manager

Dear Fred:

After due consideration of the matter of incorporation, we do agree that this vehicle seems to be the best solution to effective organization at the local level, for carrying out reclamation of the Goose Falls Pond area. We request, however, that the two additional members of the organization be from the Town of Brooksville.

Very truly yours,


Clifford A. Leach
First Selectman


John H. Gray
Second Selectman


C. Shannon Blodgett
Third Selectman

cc: Robert Boyle
cc: Robert Dow
cc: Albert Sandecki



State of Maine
MAINE MINING BUREAU

Augusta, Maine 04330

TEL. 207-289-2801

AUSTIN H. WILKINS
CHAIRMAN

ROBERT G. DOYLE
ADMINISTRATOR

December 10, 1971

Mr. John Gray
Callahan Mining Corp.
Harborside, Maine

Dear John:

Both the Attorney General's office and mine have reviewed the corporation papers and I find that, with one minor correction, they are acceptable. I find that I am therefore able, as administrator of the Mining Bureau, to become a member of the corporation.

I understand that we will have a meeting on this subject in your area sometime in mid-January.

Yours very truly,

MAINE MINING BUREAU

Robert G. Doyle
Robert G. Doyle
Administrator

RGD/cr

Enc.

Called John Gray

50 Tanner Street
Haddonfield,
New Jersey 08033
December 12, 1971

Department of Sea & Shore Fisheries
State House Annex
Augusta, Maine 04330

Mr. Robert L. Dow
Marine Research Director

Dear Mr. Dow:

Thank you for the copy of your departments position paper on the rehabilitation of the Callahan mine-site.

I would appreciate your sending a copy to Dr. Patrick as she has asked to be kept advised of developments. She will be contacting the E.P.A. after the first of the year concerning grants. Evidently the E.P.A. is still in a state of turmoil. Her address is as follows:

Dr. Ruth Patrick, Ph.D.
Curator of Limnology
c/o The Academy of Natural Sciences
19th and the Parkway
Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania 19103

Do you have any comments on Fred Beck's letter of the 3rd concerning the non-profit corporation ?

Sincerely,

Albert Sandeckl

Best wishes for an enjoyable Christmas.

JOHN GRAY 645-7 PM.

EDA NO MARICINA

BOB HOWARD'S ADDITIONAL MEMBERS

NO ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT TOWN AT
INCORPORATION MEETING

JOHN GRAY CALLED 6 PM DEC 20.
STATE'S ATTORNEY GEN. OK'D INC PAPERS
DOYLE TOOK THEM TO ATG AND RETURNED
HIS FAVORABLE ANS.
FEW MINOR CHANGES - DRAW UP IN JAN.
I SUGGESTED GREENE SIT IN ON SIGNING
JOHN WILL TAKE IT UP WITH W.P.
REPORT OK NO CHANGES.

50 Tanner Street
Haddonfield,
New Jersey 08033
December 12, 1971

Mr. John Gray
2nd Selectman
Brooksville,
Maine 04617

Dear John:

Enclosed is the original and two copys of the shortest summary of the GPRC's activities that I could come up with.

Please feel free to make any suggestions.. mark them on the copy if you like and I will retype it when you return the copy.

I think it is necessary to include the seven recommendations as they are listed with out them our committee seems not to have accomplished much other than as you put it, Spining our wheels....

I received a copy of Mr. Dow's letter seems he was really ready for Mr. Doyle's request for "position papers".

I will write to Dow and ask that he send a copy to Dr. Patrick, she wrote on the 23rd that she will be helping on a Federal level for some basic research grants after the 1st of the year, seems the E.P.A. people are still fouled up.

In consideration of Fred Beck's letter of the 3rd, I would like to get a letter from you on the town's position towards the non-profit organization and any prospective new members for the committee. Would the town have to vote on the proposed organization ?

well, that's about it hope you have an enjoyable Christmas and not too much snow.

Sincerely,

GOOSE POND RECLAMATION COMMITTEE

REPORT

Representatives from the Town of Brooksville, State of Maine and the Callahan Mining Corporation met on May 27th 1971 to discuss the restoration of the mine-site at Goose Pond.

On June 8th a committee was formed to study the situation, the members are:

Mr. Albert Sandeckl	Chairman
Mr. John Gray	Vice-chairman
Mr. Fred Beck	Secretary
Mr. Robert Dow	Marine Research Director for Dept. Sea & Shore Fisheries
Mr. Robert Doyle	Administrator of Maine Mining Bureau

The committee realizing the need for thorough study of the situation has been gathering advice from various State agencies and qualified individuals. On July 30th the committee heard from Mr. Dow and Dr. Ruth Patrick, Limnologist from the Academy of Natural Sciences in regard to the restoration of the mine's open-pit area. The committee found that little is known of the possible environmental changes that could occur by the reflooding of the open-pit with either salt or fresh water. At this time the use of salt water, marine mud and waste rock seems to be best for the precipitation and neutralizing of the possible development of toxic metal ions within the waters of the pit area. There will be a need for research in engineering and detailed monitoring of the water to avoid adverse effects to the marine environment.

On August 17th a public meeting was held at the Brooksville Community Center presenting the information gathered to that time. The committee's recommendations outlined at that meeting are as follows:

1. Impoundment and flood control of the pit area's waters by retaining the dam under Goose Falls bridge, until monitoring indicates the waters may be safely returned to tidal ebb and flow.
2. Damming of the Weir Cove ditch to a level preventing tailings and surface drainage into the Weir Cove area.
3. To fill and seal as much of the open-pit by marine mud and waste rock, now existing in the pond beds, before flooding the pit area to avoid or minimize possible toxic metal ion pollution of the pond waters.
4. Reducing mud and waste rock now in the pond beds to a level below normal salt water low tide mark to regain potential navigational uses of the pond area.
5. Grading of waste rock dump area to facilitate revegetation and prevent erosion.
6. Allow tailings area to stabilize doing necessary grading to permit drainage and revegetation.
7. Reshaping the westerly wall of the pit from low tide mark creating an irregular surface as opposed to a shear surface, as a safety measure.

On September 18th the Selectmen of Brooksville and the Committee met with Governor Curtis and representatives of various state agencies to request engineering and financial assistance for reclamation. The Governor will assist in efforts to obtain state funds and has appointed Mr. Robert Doyle as coordinator for the state agencies.

To facilitate the receiving and administering of the funds that the Callahan Corporation will provide for reclamation procedures the Goose Pond Reclamation Committee is considering the addition of two new members and incorporation as a non-profit corporation.

Respectfully submitted,



Albert Sandecki
Chairman GPRC

CALLAHAN MINING CORPORATION

TO: John Gray, Clifford Leach,
Bob Doyle, Bob Dow

DATE: December 3, 1971

FROM: F.M. Beck

COPIES: Albert Sandecki,
C.D. Snead, Jr., J.T. Hall

SUBJECT: Non-profit Corporation

I recently forwarded to you copies of a letter from William Fenton to Albert Sandecki which outlined Mr. Fenton's opinion on the advisability of changing the status of the Goose Pond Reclamation Committee. This letter was in response to the desire of members of the Goose Pond Reclamation Committee for an outside opinion.

As you know, I have felt that changing the informal status of the committee to one which would assure some continuity is desirable. Many of the advantages of this have been discussed before, but basically, it comes down to this: the committee is handicapped at present because it has no formal goals, no stated objectives, no money with which to work, and little time on the part of its members to work on committee-approved projects. If the object of the committee is simply to attend an occasional meeting and air opinions, then it is doubtful that the committee will ever be effective. If, however, the members are able through the committee to identify specific problem areas and to define specific objectives, and to have the funds to contract appropriate individuals, agencies, or companies to carry out specific work which would either solve the problems or present economic or environmental alternatives, then the committee will be a far more effective group. A not-for-profit corporation could provide the legal protection and funds which would be necessary, as well as provide a greater sense of formality and continuity than exists at present.

If the committee elects to remain as an advisory committee, such as now is, I think our objective might be to simply review specific plans or ideas or alternatives which are brought to us by those parties actually planning or doing the work. I refer specifically to planting plans being considered by Callahan, economic plans being considered by the E. D. A. and others, and environmental control and monitoring plans being considered by the state through the Governor's office as co-ordinated by Bob Doyle. By assuming a review committee role, I don't think we would be ineffective, but we would not be able to control the direction of reclamation activities as well.

I would appreciate that any comments you have relative to Mr. Fenton's letter, and your opinions as to the advisability of becoming a not-for-profit corporation be forwarded to Albert Sandecki.

FMB/lja

Very truly yours,
Frederick M. Beck, Sec'y

JOHN GRAY CALL

DEC 9 - 9PM - 9:20

1. SELECTMEN SEEM TO FAVOR INCORPORATION
2. RECEIVED FENTON'S LETTER AND BECK'S.
3. PAPERS CONCERNING INCORPORATION SENT TO STATE'S ATTORNEY GENERAL (ABOUT 1 WEEK. WILL HAVE HIS REMARKS).
4. JOHN RECEIVED 18 PAGE POSITION PAPER FROM DOW.
5. DOYLE HAS MET OR TALKED WITH JOHN AND HAS REQUESTED THE VARIOUS STATE AGENCIES TO SUBMIT POSITION PAPERS. CONCERNING RECLAMATION OF CALLAHAN MINESITE.
6. I ASKED FOR COPY OF DOW'S LETTER
7. JOHN INFORMED OF SINGAD'S CALL AND THE TWO WEEK TIME UNTIL BECK COULD CONCENTRATE ON RECLAMATION AND INCORPORATION (TAX WRITEOFF DONATED LAND)
8. I WAS ASKED TO PREPARE A BRIEF REPORT FOR BROOKSVILLE'S TOWN REPORT DEADLINE IS JAN 9 1972.

SINGAD CALLED - ~~DEC 10~~ 4:00. 30⁵ 3PM.

TRUST CALLAHAN - BECK MOVED.

2 WKS. BEFORE BECK CAN CONCENTRATE ON INCORPORATION PROCEDURES ETC..

FENTON'S LETTER IN REGARD TO TAX EXEMPT STATUS OF LAND TURNED OVER TO COMMITTEE.

- RECLAMATION -
207 GRAY

7:15
NOV/28/11

CALL - FRED BECK. - 657-3777 (NO ANSWER)

MINUTES REPRESENT THE COMMITTEE'S RECORD AND BASIS FOR REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR'S ASSISTANCE.

WITHOUT THESE MINUTES THERE IS NO FORMAL BASIS FOR THE BROOKVILLE SELECTMEN'S APPROACHING THE GOVERNOR.

1. GET MINUTES
2. DISTRIBUTE COPIES TO COMMITTEE MEMBERS. ASKING FOR APPROVAL BY SIGNING THEM (IF NOT COMPLETE ADIT THEN CIRCULATE ASKING FOR APPROVAL AND RETURN)

CALL - JOHN GRAY 207-326-8229 7:45

7:15 PM

NONE HAS NOT DONE ANYTHING ON RECL. PROBLEM DID GET SAM BROWN'S OPINION

ASK IF THERE ARE ANY NEW DEVELOPMENTS
IF NOT ASK HIM TO APPROACH LEACH FOR A LETTER OR ANOTHER MEETING WITH CURTIS (OR)

WRITE LETTER TO CURTIS - WITH KIP'S APPROVAL -

FRED SEEMS TO HAVE PUT THE BALL IN THE STATES & COMMITTEES HANDS WITH HIS COMMENTS IN THE PRESS A FEW WEEKS AGO.

THERE HAS TO BE SOME ACTION ON AT LEAST THE STATES BEHALF TO AVOID THE CREDIBLE EXCUSE THAT CALLAHAN WILL GAIN THROUGH NO ACTION ON THE STATES PART.

OVER 2

R. J.

NOV 11TH } FORESTERS - CARL ROGERS -
TAILINES NO. UNIV.
MOUNTAIN VILS. ST DP. FORESTERY.

SAGAD CALLED. NOV. 30 - 3PM. - 3:20

TRUST CALLAHAN'S MOTIONS

BECK MOVED FROM GRAY-PORTLAND.

BECK (in 2 wks) will CONTACT
J. GRAY FOR FINAL DISCUSSIONS ON

SETTING UP CORPORATE ENTITY.

SAGAD WANTED MY REACTION TO
FENTON'S LETTER.

I ASKED ABOUT MENTION OF REAL
ESTATE TURN OVER + TAX EXEMPTION
STATUS OF LAND.

THOUGHT IT WOULD BE HARD TO
IMPOSSIBLE TO GAIN SUPPORT FOR
INCORPORATION IF NEW GROUPS
HOLDINGS WERE TAX EXEMPT.

SAGAD - LEGAL TECHNICALITY.

Wm. Sherman Greene, Jr.
Attorney and Counsellor at Law
Sunset, Maine 04683

207-348-2881

November 1, 1971

Mr. Albert E. Sandecki,
50 Tanner St.
Haddonfield, N J 08033

Dear Albert:

Yesterday morning I had a long conference with the Farnhams and Frank Boring. He told Callahan last week in his letter answering one from Fred Beck, that he would negotiate concerning the land he wanted in return for letting them install a well and pipe line. It appeared that he had greatly reduced what he wanted and it is my understanding that he will reduce his request further.

I phoned Fred Beck this morning and he said he had received the Boring letter today and would start at once to see if they could work out an agreement, so that a well might be considered later.

In the meantime he hopes to have a pump installed in the Leach shaft, so that deep water may be obtained for a test by the State and by the Sewall Company in Old Town. He agrees that such water, if usable and stored in the present tank for immediate use by the Farnhams, is only a temporary arrangement. This is where the possible Boring well becomes important.

We shall have to await the result of the tests before you and the Farnhams can reach a decision as to accepting the water for use, even on a temporary basis.

I, of course, informed Fred Beck that we must have a solution both temporary and permanent as soon as possible due to the cold weather and he agreed, for what it's worth, to keep after the matter.

Incidentally, he said that he thought Callahan would continue drilling for ore this winter, depending on what they find and that after this, there would be five or six months needed to use up the stock pile.

Fred Beck also said he was meeting with Mr. Doyle and the E.D.A. on November 10, 1971 to discuss reclamation plans.

I shall keep you informed.

Sincerely yours,


Wm. Sherman Greene, Jr.

WSG:RL

cc: Mr. and Mrs. Brainard Farnham

50 Tanner Street
Haddonfield,
New Jersey 08033
November 5, 1971

Mr. William Sherman Greene, Jr.
Attorney & Counsellor at Law
Sunset, Maine 04683

Dear Mr. Greene:

Received your letter today and am relieved to hear that Mr. Boring may reconsider his requirements for drilling a well on his property.

I have no objection to the use of the water from the Leach shaft if it tests satisfactory and is as Fred Peck states "temporary". The only concern I have is how long this temporary arrangement will last, I guess that depends on Mr. Boring or the reflooding of the pit area.

The idea of a water supply from an old mine shaft isn't the most appetizing thought considering the past history of that shaft, but it might be less harmful to the copper piping.

I appreciate your mention of the meeting between Mr. Beck, Mr. Doyle and Mr. Coffey of the EDA, seems I'm on the short end of information down here in south Jersey. I talked with John Gray (Brooksville 2nd Selectman) the other night and little seems to have been developed since our meeting with Governor Curtis.

It seems the town's selectmen do not like the idea of incorporating our existing committee and I'm inclined to agree. I have written to Doyle and Sneed to ask if the State and Callahan would offer to commit themselves to a permanent position on the corporate entity they wish to set up for the period of time necessary to complete the reclamation of the Goose Pond area to the Town of Brooksville's satisfaction.

It will be interesting to see what develops after the meeting of the 10th.

Thank you again for your help and keeping me informed.

Sincerely,

Albert L. Sandeck

November 26, 1971

Mr. Fred M. Beck
Callahan Mining Corporation
41 Union Wharf
Portland, Maine 04111

Dear Fred:

This will confirm your telephone report to me on November 24, 1971 concerning the water situation at Harborside.

You began on that day to transfer water from the well on Perry Smith's property by truck of Mr. Berwyn Peasley to the heated tank at the mine, which arrangement is to continue until the pipes to the Farnhams have been completely cleared of any present salt water used from the Callahan mine well. You think this will take at least two weeks. At that time you will receive a test made by the State to determine if the water is satisfactory, which test is to include the test for minerals of all kinds.

Upon receipt of such State report, you will let me know, so that I may discuss the situation with my clients before we accept such temporary assignment.

In the meantime, of course, you will continue to supply fresh water to the Farnhams by daily deliveries in bottles.

I further understand that the Leach well is being continuously cleaned out, so that a test may be made of this water within the next two weeks. If found to be satisfactory, you will report to me also as to the State test, including minerals.

Finally, although you have not heard from Mr. Boring concerning a well on his premises, you will let me know as soon as you do, so that negotiations with him may continue in the hopes that a permanent water supply may be obtained from Mr. Boring's new well.

I request that you give me a report in detail not later than December 5, 1971, as to all of these matters.

Mr. Fred M. Beck

November 26, 1971

While we appreciate Callahan's efforts, I must point out that for the last two months I and my clients have informed you that the entire situation as to fresh water must be clarified and that with the rapid approach of freezing weather, we expect Callahan to work things out to our satisfaction.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Sherman Greene, Jr.

WSG:RL

cc: Mr. and Mrs. B. Farnham

Mr. Albert E. Sandecki

December 1st 1971

Mr. William Sherman Greene, Jr.
Attorney & Counsellor At Law
Sunset, Maine 04683

Dear Mr. Greene:

Thank you for the copy of the letter to Fred Beck.

I thought you should have the enclosed information from the FWQA Report 1970, pertaining to the ground water survey done in 1967-68.

Considering the marked increase in the lead content of the wells over a years period in the area where the new "tank & system flushing" supply is coming from, I think it important that a test from Augusta should pay critical attention to the lead content of Perry Smith's well.

I discussed this with Fred Beck earlier this summer but he could think of no explanation for the increase in lead content applicable to the mine's activity.

If a test has yet to be made on this new source I think Dr. Charles H. Okey at the Department of Health & Welfare's laboratory should be made aware of the particular need to test for lead.

I wrote to Dr. Okey on August 20th concerning this FWQA Report, he should be aware of the metal problem on the Cape.

I don't want to make more problems than we already have over this water supply, but the possibility of an even higher lead count may exist considering the .01 to .03 jump in the period of less than a year. Four years have elapsed since then and it would be interesting to know which way the lead contamination is going. Table VII, pg.35 gives the Drinking Water Standards .05 is the maximum allowable by the U.S. Public Health Service.

Sincerely,

Albert Sandeck

THE ACADEMY OF NATURAL SCIENCES

NINETEENTH AND THE PARKWAY, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19103

Phone LO 4-3921 Area Code 215

November 23, 1971

Mr. Albert E. Sandecki
Chairman, G.P.R.C.
50 Tanner Street
Haddonfield, New Jersey 08033

Dear Mr. Sandecki:

The Environmental Protection Agency has been in such a flux that it is hard to know who is responsible for what. For this reason I have not pursued the matter of talking to them about your grant. After Christmas I think things will settle down and I will then pursue this matter with them.

With best wishes.

Cordially,

Ruth Patrick

Ruth Patrick
Chairman
Department of Limnology

RP:bs

CALLED MISS ANDERSON 10:45 AM 1/4/71
FOR APPOINTMENT WITH DR PATRICK
WILL CALL BACK —

November 22, 1971

Frank H. Boring, Ph.D.,
18 Skyline Drive
Wellesley, Mass. 02181

Dear Dr. Boring:

As winter is slowly arriving and no final arrangements as to a water supply have been worked out with Callahan, I am writing to inquire if you have discussed the situation further with Fred Beck, following our conference last month. He has told me that Callahan has various plans in mind to take care of the Farnhams over the winter, but none have as yet been finalized.

I am hopeful that something may be worked out with you and them which would enable Callahan to place a well this month or next and perhaps if it works out, obtain a permanent source of fresh water for you and the other parties interested.

I shall appreciate your letting me know what the situation is.

I appreciated the opportunity of talking with you, and thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

WSG:RL

Wm. Sherman Greene, Jr.

cc: Mr. and Mrs. B. Farnham
Mr. Albert E. Sandecki

Dear Albert: Thank you for your letter of November 15, 1971, which arrived last week. I shall look over the corporation papers and write you soon. If you hear from Bill Fenton please let me have a copy of his letter.

It is most important that the obligations of all parties are clearly set forth and that any funds available are used for reclamation and nothing else.

I shall write you in more detail later.

Sherman

November 15, 1971

Dear Mr. Greene:

Perhaps you might like to consider this material on some rainy day or when nothing is particularly pressing. As you can see this is the material that Charles Sneed has forwarded in regard to the incorporation of our committee. In as much as the Town of Brooksville has a source for free legal advice via a "r. Sanborn and Mr. Denton is sending his assessment in a week or so maybe you would just as soon not want to comment. That's up to you, but Brooksvilles Selectmen have not approached Mr. Sanborn as of the 12th of this month and Callahan does employ Mr. Denton and I expect nothing more than a a letter attesting to the documents being in order for the incorporation of the Goose Pond Reclamation Society.

I am concerned in that I am on this committee and should know (or at least try to) what is or is not the right thing to do. Quite frankly I am not familiar with the terms or implications of the proposed incorporation even after reading the material over several times I come up with the feeling of not knowing what questions to ask.

I have one desire though and perhaps you could advise me if it is at all practical, legal and possible.

Would it be reasonably proper to request wording under the heading of the "PETITION" or the "CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION OF A CORPORATION" that would distinguish each individual cosigner of this agreement (ie Callahan, State and Town) as legally bound to participate in the reclamation of the Goose Pond estuary for the time necessary to accomplish the best that is humanly possible in restoration of the mine-site ?

I know, that, may be a rather tall order to hope for and I do not mean to underestimate Callahan's or the State's purpose with such an agreement. But, I wince at the wording in the "PETITION" (a local citizens group) I don't feel the reclamation is within the capacity of a local citizens group and would like to see a specific obligation on the matter put to Callahan and possibly the State. I don't know if the Hancock County Regional Planning Commission would care to join the effort. Would you know of any members of this body that might be of active help ?

I hope you can see what I'm trying to say. My idealistic attitudes muddles my thinking at times.

It all boils down to the feeling that Callahan has; of not wanting to turn over to the State the \$ 75,000.00 that they have budgeted for the reclamation of the area (this figure is somewhat confidential) I can understand Callahan's desire to see all of the money go towards the reclamation and not get lost in the shuffle in Augusta. Any thoughts you might have on a way of setting up this corporate entity that would legally guarantee participation to its completion of the restoration of the area would be appreciated.

I'm not asking for free advice on this and am willing to reimburse you separately from our other current problems.

SENT COPY OF INCORPORATION PAPERS.

50 Tanner Street
Haddonfield,
New Jersey 08033
November 15, 1971

Callahan Mining Corporation
41 Union Wharf
Portland, Maine 04111

Mr. Fred Beck
Exploration Manager
Secretary GPRC

Dear Fred:

Would appreciate hearing from you on any developments towards reclamation. From what I have read in the papers there must be some concrete proposals and cost estimates by Erocon.

I am a bit confused in regard to the article in the Island Advantages (Oct. 22nd) and its reference to waiting for the overall reclamation guidelines from the GPRC. I was under the impression that as far as the pit was concerned to avoid or at least minimize any possible toxic metal problem that might develop, the mud and rock waste towards Stink Cove should be allowed to move into the pit area prior to the accumulation of either natural runoff or salt water. This was as I recall understood by the committee and the only consideration other than the engineering was to be dictated by when the pit operations ended.

When I met with Bob Doyle on the afternoon of July 30th he led me to believe the engineering of the problem on the moving of the waste mud and rock was available at Callahan, and the State had no expertize on this situation. Have you come up with any methods to do this or cost estimates?

I wrote to you on September 15th in regard to the amended minutes from the public hearing but have not received a copy of the final amended form of those minutes. ✓

A month has elapsed since the meeting with Governor Curtis and I'm rather anxious to know of any progress.

Sincerely,

Albert E. Sandecki

cc:CMF

P.S. Anything new develop at the meeting of the 10th?

CALLAHAN MINING CORPORATION

277 PARK AVENUE · NEW YORK, N.Y. 10017
TELEPHONE: (212) 826-2950

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

November 12, 1971

Mr. Albert E. Sandecki
50 Tanner Street
Haddonfield, New Jersey 08033

Dear Albert:

Any delay in your hearing from Bill Fenton on the Not For Profit Corporation is entirely my fault. The request got shuffled down in the never ending pile, but is now underway and I would hope that Bill will be able to get a letter off to you toward the end of next week.

I don't know what more I can say to convince you that Callahan isn't going to "skip town" on the reclamation problems. We have continuing interests in Maine and have no intention of leaving this project in bad repute.

I believe our record of doing what we say has been quite consistent over the past five years even though some projects have taken longer than expected. I can assure you that someone from Callahan will be involved in G. P. R. C. until its purposes are accomplished.

Best regards.

Sincerely,



Charles D. Snead, Jr.

CDS:ggm

50 Tanner Street
Haddonfield,
New Jersey 08033
November 8, 1971



The Academy of Natural Sciences
19th and The Parkway
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103

Dr. Ruth Patrick, Ph.D.
Chairman Dept. of Limnology

Dear Dr. Patrick:

I was unable to contact you before I returned to Maine in reference to your letter of September 24th on proper formalities in requesting research grants to aid the Maine Department of Sea & Shore Fisheries in obtaining the funds and equipment necessary to monitor the waters at the Goose Pond estuary.

Our committee had a conference with Governor Curtis and various state officials which indicated little hope of state funds for the monitoring and AA unit mentioned in my letter to you on September 21st.

Mr. John Hurst, laboratory director for the Maine Department of Sea & Shore Fisheries at Booth Bay Harbor has estimated the costs of monitoring at between \$ 37,000 and \$ 40,000. with the cost of the AA unit #403 at between 12 and 15,000 and monitoring personell at 22 to 25,000.

I would appreciate guidance in seeking financial help from any source for research grants in the field of toxic metals in the marine environment. The need is reinforced by the planned opening of the Kerr American mining complex at Blue Hill with plans to discharge effluent that will eventually reach the waters of the East Penobscot Bay area.

Enclosed are some articles relating to recent developments at the Callahan mine-site.

Sincerely,

Albert E. Sandecki
Chairman G.P.R.C.
609-429 1310 Tel.

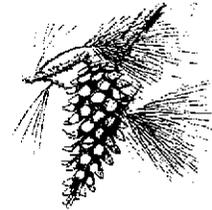
PHYLIS AUSTIN (REFERRED BY DEWISBAUGH)
UPI. NOV. NOV. 9TH
5:30 PM - 6:45 PM.
DOING STORY IN MINE.
CALLED SHIRLEY GARRANE
ABOUT RESEARCH TO
LOSS OF WINGS 6-100 PM



State of Maine
FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

Augusta, Maine 04330

TEL. 207-289-2791



AUSTIN H. WILKINS
FOREST COMMISSIONER

FRED E. HOLT
DEPUTY FOREST COMMISSIONER

WHITE PINE CONE AND TASSEL
STATE FLORAL EMBLEM
ADOPTED BY THE LEGISLATURE - 1895

November 7, 1971

Mr. Albert E. Sandecki
50 Tanner Street
Haddonfield, New Jersey 08033

Dear Mr. Sandecki:

In partial reply to your letter of November 3, Mr. Doyle has asked me to inform you that some progress in the Callahan matter has been made here at the State level. Mr. Doyle indicated that he would probably have more concrete information for you in approximately two weeks.

Yours very truly,

MAINE MINING BUREAU

Frank M. Blakett
Office Manager

FMB:pm

Thursday, November 4, 1971



Sen. Violette, Commissioner Stuart, Rep. Silverman and Sen. Anderson.

Fish And Game Supporters Attack State Reorganization

An attack on the Maine reorganization plan by proponents of the Inland Fisheries and Game Department featured a lively discussion or reorganization by a panel of officials and legislators at the Hancock County Extension Association meeting last Thursday night.

Participants in the panel discussion, chaired by Senator Frank Anderson, were Elmer Violette, state senator from Van Buren, and candidate for the Second District Congressional nomination; Joseph Kane, Bangor, Penobscot Conservation Association; Philip Savage, director, Maine State Planning Office; Harvey Johnson, chairman of the Legislative Research committee; Harold Silverman, representative from Calais; Commissioner Stewart, Parks and Recreation Department.

Savage opened the panel program by saying the problem with which Maine was trying to deal was a national problem, troubling government at all levels in the country. He quoted an editorial in the New York Times saying the average citizen was "fed up with government, because it costs too much, doesn't work and he can't do anything about it."

THE ELLSWORTH AMERICAN - ELLSWORTH



Phil Savage, Sen. Violette, Sen. Johnson, Commissioner Stuart, and Joe Kane.

State Reorganization

Continued from Page 1

Commissioner Stuart said the efforts to restore the area despoiled by the Callahan mine at Brooksville illustrated the current problems of State government. He said a committee from Brooksville had gone to each of the several departments involved and got a "run around". Finally, he said, they went to the Governor, who brought a dozen individuals in different agencies together into his office two weeks ago and in a meeting of several hours managed to get something under way. This situation multiplied a thousand times, he said, confronted citizens of the state trying to deal with governmental functions. He said many offices were so entrenched that it was difficult to get them together to consider problems that run across agency lines like ecological problems.

November 3, 1971

Mr. John Gray
2nd Selectman
Town of Brooksville

Dear John:

After talking with you last night I decided to write both Mr. Snead & Doyle. Thinking about your coment on Doyle's remark about "What kind of an incorporation should be developed." it occurred to me that this could tie things up for quite a while. I thought it best to write to them asking their willingness to commit themselves to the incorporation and the reclamation work itself.

If a corporate entity is set up (the right kind) and you have nobody willing to work on it you still have nothing. Nothing that is except a lot of valuable time down the drain.

I hope you or the other selectmen don't mind my doing this, I know how much Callahan has meant to the Town and how much it could still mean to the Town. The potential for a source of employment and tax rateables is there, more now than when Callahan leaves and the men and machines are gone.

Enclosed are copys of the letters I sent to Doyle and Snead as I think you should be aware of them, I'll let you know if I get any response.

Carl Rogers comment in the Ellsworth American is rather damning of our committee and he is quite right. Maybe setting up a corporate entity is the only way to get some action but I don't think it should be done without nailing down a responsible legal commitment from Callahan and possibly the State.

As far as the rather worn statement that Fred always makes publicly ie. "we want to do what the Town wants done" I think you and the other selectmen are within your rights to act as representatives of the Town. and tell Beck that the town wants the area restored towards the possible future use of the Goose Pond area ands marine related industry.

The salt or fresh water question is not that relevant now, the real important thing is to get the mud and rock waste towards Stink Cove into the pit before any water is allowed in. So much of the other work could completed as time goes on after the pit operations cease. I think the navigability of the pond beds is the important thing to work for. I don't mean to harp on Dr. Patrick's recommendations but one way or the other the mud and rock waste if pushed into the pit represents a means of avoiding or at least minimizing a possible toxic effect that the water might take on. I do not think the Federal people would allow a marina to operate that would pollute the bay with toxic metal ions.

Sincerely,

50 Tanner Street
Haddonfield,
New Jersey 08033
November 3, 1971

Callahan Mining Corporation
277 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Mr. Charles D. Snead, Jr.
Vice President

Dear Charlie:

I haven't heard from your ~~counsellor~~ Mr. Fenton in Bar Harbor on the proposed setting up of a corporate entity.

I have a question. If everybody agrees that the proposed incorporation is necessary to the reclamation of the Goose Pond area could your company be counted on to have representative on this group as a permanent assignment until the reclamation of the area is completed to the satisfaction of the Town of Brooksville ?

I ask this in light of Mr. Coffey's remark that he did not think there could be a State representative on the committee. I don't remember the indefinite reason he gave for this comment.

As I recall you did say that Fred Beck could be a member of this incorporation as long as he was in the area, in response to John Gray's question on participating members.

I'm sure you know what I'm getting at is the general feeling that the scattering of responsibility is going to cause problems in the future, when your company leaves Harborside.

Would you consider as a way of guaranteeing against these feelings and eventualities a commitment on Callahan's behalf binding you to participate on the incorporated entity for as long as it takes to accomplish the restoration of the mine-site to the Town of Brooksville's satisfaction ?

I think it would be only proper for the state to be included in such an understanding ?

Would like to hear from you on this as a possible means of relieving some of the apprehension towards the incorporation.

Sincerely,

Albert Sandecki
Chairman G.P.R.C.

50 Tanner Street
Haddonfield,
New Jersey 08033
November 3, 1971

Maine Mining Bureau
State House
Augusta, Maine 04330

Mr. Robert G. Doyle
Administrator
Maine Mining Bureau

Dear Bob:

Would appreciate being advised of any progress on the reclamation of the Callahan mine-site.

Understand the selectmen of Brooksville are anxious to meet with you for discussions along the same lines.

Wish you were able to be at our discussion after the meeting on the 18th with Governor Curtis. The conversation centered on Callahan's proposal to incorporate the Goose Pond Reclamation Committee. Many questions developed, one of which developed concerned the State's ability to participate on such a group.

If setting up a separate corporate entity is found to be necessary could the committee count on you or another representative of the State of Maine to be included on the committee and preferably on an extended, permanent basis until the reclamation of the Goose Pond area is completed to the satisfaction of the Town of Brooksville ?

Sincerely,

Albert E. Sandeck
Chairman G.P.R.C.

cc:cmf

JOHN GRAY 207-326-8225 8:30 PM
NOV. 2

9:45 ANYTHING DECIDED BY YOU AND THE OTHER
MEMBERS ON COMMITTEE'S INCORPORATION
LITIGATION RESERVATIONS - KIPS THERE - TOWN MEETING
SALT OR FRESH WATER - NOT PRACTICAL - DON'T LIKE
THE IDEA
SANBORN'S ADVICE - (NONE)

CALLAHAN ATTORNEY FENSON (NOTHING)

CARL ROGERS - COMMENT IN LETTER
CARRIED BY LAST WEEK'S FISWORTH
AMERICAN (HADN'T SEEN IT
PRESSURE IS ON US)

YOUR OPINION ON OBTAINING A
COMMITMENT FROM CALLAHAN
& STATE GUARANTEEING PERMANENT
PARTICIPATION IN RECLAMATION
AT GOOSE POND. - GOOD (TIE THEM
TO IT)
WILL FEEL OUT BACK ON
THIS.

10TH
MTC WITH PEOPLE -
FORESTRY

9:45 PM TIL
9:57 - NOW
(OVER)

DOYLE TALKED WITH JOHN GRAY
DOYLE EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO
KNOW WHAT THE TOWN OF BROOKS-
VILLE WANTED DONE AT THE MINE-
SITE. (SALT FRESH WATER)

GRAY - PROBABLY NOT MUCH TO
BE DECIDED ON THIS WITH
A TOWN MEETING.

MONITORING - DOYLE DID NOT
THINK TOO MUCH OF DR. PATRICKS
SOURCE ~~ON THIS~~.

I SAID SEAN SHORR HAS NEITHER
MONEY OR EQUIPMENT TO MONITOR.

DOYLE HAD AN APPOINTMENT LAST WEEK
WITH SELECTMAN - NEUMER SHOWED

50 Tanner Street
Haddonfield, N.J.
October 21, 1971

Mr. John Gray
2nd Selectman
Town of Brooksville
Maine 04617

Dear John:

I have had a chance to think about our meeting with Governor Curtis on the 18th, along with our conversation later with Mr. Sneed. For what it's worth I would like you to reflect on these points and see what you think.

The original purpose of our committee was to seek the advice of knowledgeable people on reclamation of the mine-site. I have no reason to doubt the technical validity of the list of recommendations outlined at the public meeting on August 17th. As representative of Brooksville you expressed the sentiment of the townspeople to someday see the salt water returned to the pond beds and hopefully a future business enterprise coming in to fill the void left by Callahan's departure. Callahan has said publicly that they would like to do what the people of Brooksville wanted done before starting reclamation of the area, as far as I can determine the town would like to see the area restored in the direction of returning the tidal ebb and flow.

Of the eight recommendations made at the public meeting Fred Beck was rather insistent prior to and during the meeting that the recommendations developed by the committee be presented as incomplete. I feel this was a direct effort to keep the GPRC in a state of limbo and leads me to wonder if ANY future recommendations would also be steamrolled by Callahan.

As I see it the obligation (moral not legal) to restore the area rests with the Callahan Corporation and the State of Maine. The setting up of a THIRD PARTY as a corporate entity would simply create another member to the ball tossing game now going on between Callahan and the State. Unfortunately this will eat up time and I think that is what it's all about.

The lunchroom conversation centered on seeking funds. The State admitted having little to contribute and Callahan has an obligation to ~~LL~~'s shareholders to make money. Reclamation represents a considerable cost, not profit.

John, I just do not feel responsible for and would not presume to be capable of doing a job of running around begging for Federal, private or organization money to do a reclamation job that the State was too shortsighted to plan for and the Callahan Corp. too tightfisted to do. Money is very tight now and will be for some time to come.

Mr. Coffey's remark that he did not think the state agency members now on the GPRC would be able to participate in the proposed incorporated entity would essentially relieve the State of Maine's obligation and responsibility for what happens at the mine-site.

Mr. Snead did say Callahan would be willing to have a representative on the new group, BUT, he did qualify it by saying Fred Beck could be a member as long as he was in the area. At Callahan's whim he could be transferred and so to could go Callahan's obligation and responsibility for what is or is not done at the mine-site.

The only thing that would guarantee against these eventualities would be a written legal obligation on the part of Callahan and the State binding them to participate on the reclamation committee until the areas restoration is accomplished to the towns satisfaction.

I don't see much of a possibility of this, but without a commitment of this sort I see the proposed G.P.R. "Society" as becoming Callahan's and the State's scapegoat as well as the press and public's target for the failure of restoring the area.

If the Town can get a legal opinion from Mr. Sanborn on the advantages and disadvantages of a non-profit, tax free entity I would think it worthwhile, the implied responsibility makes it very important.

It will be interesting to see what Governor Curtis is able to develop by his letters to various concerned agencies and his appointment of Mr. Doyle to coordinate reclamation plans. I'm sorry to say I have little faith in Mr. Doyle being able to move himself or anyone else in regard to reclamation. It is not in his interest to cut into the money of the business he has promoted into the State, especially after the fact.

If nothing gets off the ground within 30 days I would suggest another meeting with the Governor to urge the restoration of the area for the sake of Brooksville's retaining the potential for future development of Goose Pond.

Well that's about it, I don't mean to shove these thoughts at you, but would like you to know the way I'm thinking about the situation.

To sum up, I for one do not like the idea of incorporation without the guarantees above and I don't think we could get them. You may feel differently. If you and the other Selectmen would want to go ahead on this proposed incorporation then I would be inclined to take on more of an advisory position for the committee than that of chairman or not be on it at all if it would help matters any.

I would appreciate hearing from you on the matter.

Sincerely,

Albert Sandecki

Kerramerican Claims Little Effect, EHD/271

Opponents Cite Dangerous Examples

Environmental Improvement Commission members last Friday at Augusta heard opponents and proponents of the Kerramerican Corporation proposal to dump 400,000 gallons of effluent daily into Carleton Stream and Second Pond at Blue Hill.

The hearing was for the purpose of supplementing oral statements at Blue Hill hearings three weeks ago, and for entering rebuttal and counter rebuttal material. The company stood on its application. The opponents requested time to enter a final written brief and suggested additional oral arguments at a later date. The Commission agreed to receive the brief of Counsel Ted Kurtz, on behalf of the opponents.

Through its consultant, F. Clyde Lendrum, Kerramerican submitted some added information and analysis on the effluent expected from the tailing pond at the Black Hawk mine. In commenting on the hearing testimony of Robert H. Perry, on the effects of the effluent on water quality, Kerramerican said that "while the mine operation will affect the ecology of the area, ambient concentra-

tions of metals are already high and therefore the absolute change due to increased metal concentrations may not be significant". There were also some further figures on the original tailing effluent and later tailing effluent studies.

Robert Perry of Blue Hill said the revised data was open to "serious questions". He challenged the assumption of the mine company that there would be no further solution of metals occurring during impounding in the tailings pond. He raised questions about the ore used in testing, talc content and floatation reagents. He said he was trying to point up the need for a very complete testing program carried out by impartial scientists. He also raised questions about monitoring to check water quality. Perry told the commissioners that "we are dealing with contaminants of enormous potential harm" and that "maximum allowable concentrations for heavy metals must be set and monitored for at levels which competent biologists would agree have a very comfortable factor of safety". Perry also wished to know what provisions are being made for the control and monitoring of ef-

fluents from the tailing pond after Kerramerican has discontinued mining operations (to which it is committed only for a five year period).

Robert Dow, Marine research director of the Maine Sea and Shore Fisheries Department, submitted a statement replying to a criticism of his testimony at the Blue Hill hearings, by Frederick Beck of the Callahan Mining Corp. He challenged Beck's contention that the Callahan mine had not adversely affected the Maine fishermen or the consuming public". Dow said that the area closed to clamming had been extended to all of Harborside as a result of the increased bacterial pollution, resulting from the mining operations. He said heavy metals concentrations in soft clams had increased 95 percent through Sept. 1969 and by 230 percent in Dec. 1969 after separation started.

Dow said that it was "obvious that the health hazard has increased over time and that this contribution has come from the mine effluent".

No date has been set for final action by the Commission.

Rural Development Comm. Urges Reclamation Fund At Blue Hill

The Hancock County Rural Development Committee has urged establishment of a reclamation fund and organization of a group to administer it before any mining operations begin again at the Kerramerican project in Bluehill.

The recommendations were sent to the Environmental Improvement Commission as testimony to consider in its evaluation of the application by Kerramerican to resume mining at the former Black Hawk mine in Bluehill. Kerramerican has indicated to the EIC that it will discharge effluent into fresh water flowing into the Salt Pond if it is allowed to commence mining.

The letter from the HCRDC, a group composed of representatives of each of the federal and state agencies dealing with economic resources in the county, is dated October 26. It reads as follows:

Gentlemen:

This letter is a recommendation to establish a means of reclamation at the Kerramerican Mining area in Bluehill.

The United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Committee for Hancock County, at its regular meeting on Oct. 13, discussed the Kerramerican Mining project in Bluehill. The minutes read in part as follows: "problems identified with that mining operation are very similar to Callahan Company except that the effluent will go into a stream leading into salt water instead of directly into the salt water and some of the waste rock is being used to fill up a fresh water pond."

The minutes of December 8, 1967, of the Hancock County Technical Action Panel (predecessor to the Rural Development Committee) recommended that "a reclamation fund be established by all interested parties; e. i. the town of Brooksville, the County of Hancock, the Maine Mining Bureau, and the Callahan Mining Corporation; for the purpose of reclamation or restoration of part of or all of the area. The Technical Action Panel further recommends that a Board of Trustees representing the above mentioned parties be established to administer the reclamation fund." These recommendations were based on predictions in regard to reclamation of the Callahan Mining area in Brooksville. They were that the extent of the reclamation or restoration problem could not be predicted until the end of the mining operations were in sight; that funds to pay for reclamation would only be available if set aside during the mining operations by the company from its income, the town (or towns) and county from the additional tax receipts and the State Mining Bureau from its royalty; that reclamation would only occur if a group was established to direct reclamation and administer the reclamation fund. The refusal or financial inability of the town and the state agencies involved to have an effective reclamation program bear out that prediction.

At a public meeting in Brooksville on August 17, 1971, Callahan officials again asked for the wishes of the town and or state in regards to the reclamation of

the mining and waste disposal areas. They offered labor and equipment. Lack of funds and of a responsible reclamation group has prevented action to date.

We make the same recommendation for the Kerramerican Mining project in Bluehill and particularly that a means of raising a reclamation fund and a group to administer it be established before commercial mining operations begin.

Yours truly,

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reclamation projects

Reclamation is expected to begin this fall on the Callahan Mining Corp. open pit mine on Cape Hoser. Herman and John Keller of the Canadian mining reclamation firm, Brocon, visited the mine Oct. 22 and will submit a written report with cost estimates and reclamation proposals this week to Callahan. Mine official Fred Beck and Brocon will submit a per-acre bid, which he thinks will be less than \$500, that would guarantee a 90 percent cover after two years.

Beck said the reclamation would be in two phases: rousting and smoothing of dumps and ledges will begin this fall and hydro seeding next spring with a variety of grasses and white birch on all areas except the tailings pond and mill area. Phase two would bring seeding of the tailings pond area in the spring of 1973, when the mill has completed work and the water has evaporated from the tailings pond. Beck does not anticipate that any material will be added to the dumps since there already is enough fine cover to provide growing material so that no rocks will be seen. He expects the tailing pond will become a large field. The mine shaft will be capped with an access door left for pumping out any water build-up, he said.

Callahan is not legally committed to reclamation, Beck explained, but has put aside money for that purpose. The company will not leave until the area is reclaimed, he said.

Beck attended an Oct. 18 meeting with Gov. Kenneth M. Curtis and representatives from the Goose Pond Reclamation Committee, the town of Brooksville, state

and Callahan and will report to the governor on any actions to be taken.

"My first responsibility will be to give the governor the names of people in state agencies which I think should be involved. The governor will recommend that they cooperate," Doyle said. "Then I will sit down with the town and state agency officials to talk about plans. So far, a marina has been talked about because it seems to be a reasonable possibility, but not the only one that will be considered."

Doyle said the governor emphasized that his great concern is with the quality of the environment after mining ceases. The Goose Pond Reclamation Committee has been working since June 8 and will continue to work on the most environmentally acceptable uses of the land. At the same time, Doyle added, as coordinator, he will be interested in finding "some sort of economic entity to keep employment in Brooksville. It would be a shame to chop off the land and say we'll just keep it pretty." Because of the mine, Doyle explained, the town has had a comfortable income for years and the town will have a great deal to say about what they want it to be in the future. "But we'll also listen to ecologists," he said.

The coordinator hopes to have something moving by the end of next year. He noted that it would be less expensive to have improvements made while the mining equipment is still in place than to bring in new machines to do the work.