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December 16, 1957

Mr. Norman S. Wagner
Mr. Norman V. Peterson ✓

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a copy of Bill Johnston's report made for Ken Arnold of Solar X Corporation. This refers to the occurrence of uranium in the Steens Mountain area. I am sending one copy to Wag and two copies to Norm Peterson.

I would presume that this report should be kept on a semi-confidential basis as it is a private report. However, as you will note from Ken Arnold's letter to me, he seems to be perfectly willing that we make full use of the report.

I would appreciate it if Wag could keep in contact with Arnold as he knows Ken personally and they have many things in common (I am not going to mention flying saucers). I believe Norm should plan to visit these properties and spend some time there when the field season begins in the summer.

Anything we can do to help this project should be done.

Regards.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, likely belonging to the Director of the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries.

Director

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December 16, 1957

Mr. Kenneth Arnold, President
Solar X Corporation
8045 Ustick Road
Boise, Idaho

Dear Mr. Arnold:

Thanks so much for your nice letter of December 11 and your thoughtfulness in making Dr. Johnston's report available to the Department.

We greet your interest in the uranium deposits of the Steens Mountain area with a great deal of pleasure and wish you the greatest of success. I thought Dr. Johnston's report was a good one and his recommendations to be very sound.

We have had copies made of your report and they are being kept in a confidential file in the Department. I hope this meets with your approval. If not, would you kindly notify us and we will send the copies to you.

Mr. Wagner, field geologist at our Baker office, Norman Peterson, field geologist at our Grants Pass office, and the person directly responsible for uranium investigations for the Department will keep in touch with you and will make periodic visits to the property in order that the Department can be kept informed of your progress. If at any time this Department can be of assistance to you, I hope you will feel free to call upon us.

I am looking forward to renewing my acquaintance with you, both through your investigations in the Steens Mountain area and possibly reconnaissance work in southeastern Oregon.

I am returning herewith Dr. Johnston's report as you requested. Thanks once again for your fine cooperation.

Best wishes for a successful new year.

Sincerely yours,

Hollis M. Dole
Director

HMD:jr
Encl.

bc N.S. Wagner
bc N.V. Peterson ✓

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SOLAR X CORPORATION
8045 Ustick Road
Boise, Idaho

December 11, 1957

State of Oregon
Department of Geology and Mineral Industries
1069 State Office Building
Portland 1, Oregon

Attention: Mr. Hollis M. Dole, Director

Dear Mr. Dole:

I have been so busy in the last two years, flying uranium grids in New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado and Utah that I have not been able to find time to write you a letter, more or less to apologize that I was not on hand to fly you or your geologist over the south eastern part of Oregon you wanted to see from the air. I will be available, though, next spring and summer, as, of course, I will be in the Steens Mountains.

I am enclosing with his letter our geological report on our Pike Creek uranium property, made by Mr. W. P. Johnston, knowing that you and Mr. Johnston are good friends and that Solar X Corporation has completely taken over the Dewey Quier properties. This report will be of interest to you. You have my permission to reprint or use part or all of this report in your Ore.-Bin publications.

At present, our crew is living and working on the property, cleaning off the excess shale and debris, making preparations for our spring work, which, of course, will be done as recommended by Mr. Johnston's report.

I might mention as a matter of personal interest that the pilots for Solar X, which includes myself, have completed 1,151 hours of flight time, flying with scintillators 10 to 50 feet off the ground in five western states. We have made 22 discoveries, of which two others besides the now acquired Pike Creek property, show possibility of commercial ore. We intend to push forward the Steens Mountains properties because they are the most accessible and would be the easiest to mine.

Yours truly,

/s/ Kenneth Arnold

CC Mr. N.S. Wagner

President
Solar X Corporation

P.S. When you are through with this copy of Johnston's report, would appreciate you mailing it back to us.