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Re: WDEQ-LQD Mining Permit 267C / TFN #6 1/197 – Wyoming State Mineral Lease 42804

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Ronald Ericsson <ericsson@childselect.com>

Thu, Aug 30, 2018 at 3:27 PM

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To: Kyle Wendtland,

Read paragraph 3 on page two of the attached document. Yes it was an appraisal but also a title opinion. Standing on your decision does not solve the issue on ownership of said bentonite. This is your decision but it certainly may not be the decision of the Robinson heirs. Face up to the fact there are other documents that refute your decision. This does not solve the issue of ownership. I do not know who has clear title to the bentonite but I do know not all agree with your decision without further evidence. This issue will not go away and be buried in the archives. RJE

From: Kyle Wendtland <kyle.wendtland@wyo.gov>**Sent:** Thursday, August 30, 2018 3:04 PM**To:** Ronald Ericsson**Cc:** Kari Jo Gray; Todd Parfitt; Bridget Hill; Lucy Pauley; james kaste**Subject:** WDEQ-LQD Mining Permit 267C / TFN #6 1/197 – Wyoming State Mineral Lease 42804

Dear Mr. Ericsson:

Thank you for the information, however the document you provided is an appraisal of mineral value and not a title search. Therefore, my decision stands.

Sincerely, Kyle J. Wendtland

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Kyle J. Wendtland

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April 14, 2012

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**RE: Edna S. Robinson - Appraisal of Bentonite Interest
Crook County, Wyoming**

Dear Mr. Clarkson:

Pursuant to your request I have completed an appraisal of the bentonite interests owned by the Estate of Edna S. Robinson as further described herein. I have thirty-one years of experience doing land work in the oil and gas industry, having started my career as an Independent Landman in 1980. I am currently employed as the General Manager of Land at a small independent oil and gas company. I have appraised many different mineral interests for individuals, estates and companies throughout my profession and am very familiar with all rights associated with the ownership of minerals.

As represented to me, the Estate of Edna S. Robinson owns the interests in Crook County, Wyoming as described below:

1. An undivided 40% interest in the bentonite and associated clays in the following lands:

Township 56 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.

Section 04: Lots 7, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 16

Section 05: Lots 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19 and 20

Section 06: Lots 14, 15, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22 and 23

2. An undivided 90% interest in the bentonite and associated clays in the following lands:

Township 56 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.

Section 07: Lots 7, 8, 9 and 10

Township 56 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.

Section 01: Lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16 and 18

Section 11: NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$

Township 57 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.
Section 19: Lots 17, 18 and 19
Section 30: Lots 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10
Section 31: Lots 5, 6, 7 and 9

3. All (100%) of the bentonite and associated clays in the following lands:

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Township 57 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.
Section 18: Lots 8 and 9
Section 19: Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 15 and 16

Township 57 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.
Section 13: W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$
Section 24: NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$

Containing approximately 2478.99 gross acres and 1784.63 net acres, more or less

A portion of the above described lands are covered under Lease Agreement dated August 1, 1969 by and between Rawl O. Robinson, Hilda Robinson, Edna S. Robinson, Dean R. Robinson, Shirley May Robinson, Norma S. Kuzara, George Kuzara, June Peterson and Keith Peterson and American Colloid Company. The Lease provides for exploring, mining and removing bentonite from the following lands:

Township 56 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.
Section 05: Lots 17 and 18
Section 06: Lots 14, 15, 17, 22 and 23

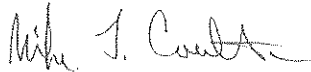
The remaining lands are unleased. Based on a review of bentonite mining and taking into consideration the likelihood of further development in the area, I hereby appraise the value of the bentonite interests as described above at Two Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Dollars (\$223,000.00).

In preparing this appraisal, the following information was reviewed: documents of record in Crook County, Wyoming pertaining to the interests of Edna S. Robinson; research regarding bentonite mining in the area obtained from the Internet; maps illustrating the location of the minerals; discussions with and information provided by Sara Vetter of American Colloid Company; and discussions with and information provided by Jeb Clarkson of Pioneer Bank and Trust.

I hereby appraise the above-described bentonite interests owned by the Estate of Edna S. Robinson at Two Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Dollars (\$223,000.00) effective December 16, 2002 and until such time as there is a substantial change in activity within the area.

Should you have any questions, need additional information or want to further discuss this Appraisal, please advise.

Sincerely,



Mike J. Coulter

STATE OF WYOMING)
)
COUNTY OF SHERIDAN)

On April 17, 2012, before me, personally appeared Mike J. Coulter, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to this instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 4/21/2013



Edna S. Robinson Mineral Appraisal 04.14.12

Enda S. Robinson

40% Interest in Bentonite and Associated Clays

	<u>Gross</u>	<u>Net</u>
<u>Township 56 North, Range 62 West</u>		
Section 04: Lots 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 16	225.42	90.17
Section 05: Lots 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20	391.30	156.52
Section 06: Lots 14, 15, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23	372.46	148.98
Total	989.18	395.67

Unidvided 90% Interest in Bentoninte and Associated Clays

<u>Township 56 North, Range 62 West</u>		
Section 07: Lots 7, 8, 9, 10	183.04	164.74
 <u>Township 56 North, Range 63 West</u>		
Section 01: Lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 18	342.88	308.59
Section 11: NENW, N2NE, SENE	160.00	144.00
 <u>Township 57 North, Range 62 West</u>		
Section 19: Lots 17, 18, 19	121.30	109.17
Section 30: Lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 10	201.29	181.16
Section 31: Lots 5, 6, 7, 9		
Total	1008.51	907.66

All (100%) Interest in Bentoninte and Associated Clays

<u>Township 57 North, Range 62 West</u>		
Section 18: Lots 8, 9	79.15	79.15
Section 19: Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16	242.15	242.15
 <u>Township 57 North, Range 63 West</u>		
Section 13: W2SW, SESW	120.00	120.00
Section 24: NENW	40.00	40.00
Total	481.30	481.30

	<u>Gross</u>	<u>Net</u>
TOTAL	2478.99	1784.63

Price/Acre	121.02	Value	\$309,873.75	\$223,078.88
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