

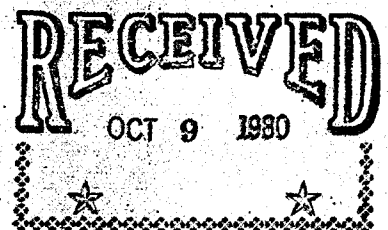
Meeting With Con, Giant & Falconbridge
Re: Arsenic Upgrading - October 3, 1980

W. Kuit has been asked by Cominco to do a feasibility study on the hot water leach method for treating their As pond material. They believe that this method is better than the fuming method.

Cominco feel hot water leach method is best but they are concerned with the time frame. Intend doing a parallel study on hot water leach, while Giant pursues the fuming method. In six months time, we will compare results. If our results look best, they would agree to "letting Giant" treat their stuff. If they think that their method is best, they will build a hot water leach plant at Con.

Present at this meeting: P. Raleigh; L. Stevenson; H. Gigerich; W. Moore

c.c. P.J. Raleigh
F.G. Pickard
H.T. Berry
S.O. Fekete
D.J. Emery ✓
K.S. Morton
L.J. Connell

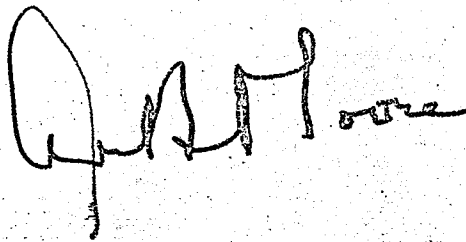


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Further to the meeting on Friday, October 3, Cominco's action means that:

- 1) The urgency to pilot the fuming method at Giant has gone. We can wait until the strike is over.
- 2) In the meantime, the lab at Thornhill can complete the lab work and decide if the fuming method deserves piloting. A pilot plant design could be worked out, costs arrived at, authorization for further funds sought, equipment ordered, and perhaps by that time the strike will have ended.
- 3) The increase in the price of gold and the need for Con to be ready with a plan of action by June '82 are two good reasons for Con's decision to lean toward the hot water leach method (and go it alone).

Which is O.K. by us as we can see a problem arising if we treated Con's material with ours of disposing of a large volume of residue.

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