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Dr. Thomas V. Falki
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Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Dr. Falki:

Re: Grant No. G0112149 - Invention entitled "Magnetic Ore Separator"

Thank you for your letter of June 7 concerning the invention referred to above. Professor Roger Boom, one of the inventors, has written to Mr. Gersten Sadowsky and provided certain information on other patents in the field. It is Professor Boom's belief that no prior patent would interfere with an application for a patent of this invention.

After reviewing the enclosed copy of Professor Boom's letter to Mr. Sadowsky, I hope you will advise me promptly what action is intended to be taken by the Bureau of Mines regarding this invention.

As I indicated to you previously, if it is not the intention of the Bureau to seek patent protection and enter into licensing negotiations to promote the commercial development of this invention, we will seek a ruling from higher authority permitting the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation to apply for a patent to carry out the necessary licensing arrangements.

Thank you again for the concern and effort you have provided in resolving this complex matter.

Sincerely

Robert E. Gentry

Associate Vice President

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cc: Roger Boom
Marvin Woerpel