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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE

Randle Ranger District

Randle, Washington 98377

REPLY TO:

2810 Mining Claims

June 2, 1980

SUBJECT:

Forest Closure

.. TO:

Joseph Kirby Duval Corporation 4715 E. Fort Lowell Tuscon, Arizona 85712



Reference your phone conversation of May 29, 1980 with this office. The entire Gifford Pinchot National Forest was closed to all operations, except for search and rescue, after the eruption of Mt. St. Helens on Sunday, May 18, 1980. The Govenor of the State of Washington has also closed all the area within 20 miles of Mt. St, Helens. Entry is by special permit only.

Your Polar Star Mine is approximately 12 miles and the Kathy group of claims is about 14 miles from the mountain. We do not know when access to this area will be permitted.

Kenneth E. Cochran

FOR: Harold W. Coates

District Ranger