TWO LOW VEIN GATHERING LOCOMOTIVES APPROPRIATION REQUEST NO. 131-A

We attach hereto triplicate copies of our Appropriation Request, No. 131-A, in the amount of \$16,000.00 to cover the purchase of two low vein gathering locomotives for low coal in the "B" and "C" Seams of No. 1 Mine.

We have not purchased any low vein equipment since 1936. During this period of six years, there has been a large amount of high coal exhausted and more development work and mining carried on in low coal. For this reason, it is necessary that we have low vein equipment to work in the low coal which is now being developed and mined to take the place of the high coal that has become exhausted. At the present time we only have three motor runs in high coal, and all of these three motor runs are just part runs in high coal. Two of these motor runs will become exhausted by the first of the year so that we should have these two new low vein gathering motors as soon as possible.

We have gotten quotations from the various mamufacturers and delivery promises are anywhere from six to nine months. For this reason, I believe that it is essential that we get this equipment on order as soon as possible.

After we have gotten two new low vein gathering locomotives, we will then be able to sell two of our old high vein motors and should be able to get approximately \$1,500.00 a piece for these.

Yours very truly,

WISCONSIN STEEL COAL MINES INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COMPANY

R. E. Galbreath, Superintendent.