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[Secretary Peters to Gov. Johnson.]

War Office, October 18, 1777

Sir: I am directed by the Board of War to represent to you the very low state of the article of Lead in the Continental Magazines, & the great risque and danger the Army will be exposed to, without the speediest supply of that article. It is painful to the Board to be reduced to the necessity of interfering with the private stock of any particular State, nor would any but the most urgent Demands with which they can not otherwise comply induce them to do it. I am therefore earnestly to request that you and the Council will consent to a Loan of what Lead belonging to your State, you think can be spared, & the Board assure you it shall be replaced out of the first importations on continental account. Should you comply with this request, you will be pleased to order Wag-gons to proceed with it to this place as soon as possible.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
your very hum. Servant

His Excell<sup>y</sup> Gov. Johnson

Richard Peters, Se.

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[Secretary Peters to Gov. Johnson.]

Sir: I have the Honour to enclose you an order on William Lux Esq. Continental Agent for one thousand stands of Arms in Part Return of the Number borrowed by Congress of your State. I am to assure you that the whole will be repaid as soon as the Continent can spare them. Please to send an Acknowledgm<sup>t</sup> on Receipt of the Arms to the Board.

I have troubled you twice on the Subject of a Loan of Lead, & hope your Excellency has prevailed on the Government of the State to furnish what they can spare.

I have the Honour to be, with great Respect,  
your very obed. Serv<sup>t</sup>

His Excellency Gov. Johnson

Richard Peters, Sec<sup>y</sup>

C. B.

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October 1777.

Present as on Saturday except John Rogers Esq<sup>r</sup>

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to John Bullen two hundred and fifty pounds on Account

Tuesday 21 October 1777.

Present as on yesterday.

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to John Berry one thousand and nineteen pounds seven shillings and