GEOPHYSICAL REPORT ON AIRBORNE GAMMA-RAY AND MAGNETIC SURVEYS

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CLAIMS:

My: 1 to 122 inclusive (122 claims)

Ray: 11 to 52 inclusive (42 claims)

LOCATED:

(1) Five miles South)
) -- of Town of Birch Island
(2) Two miles North)

Northwest quarter of Quadrangle: Corner 51°, 119° S.E.

NTS: 82M/12W

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On properties of

Consolidated Rexspar Minerals & Chemicals Ltd. and Canadian Nepheline Corporation Limited

Date: November 1st to December 12, 1968

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#/ _{1.}	Gamma-Ray Anomaly Map -	111	=	1/4 mile
#2.2.	Aeromagnetic Contour Map -	111	æ	1/4 mile

AIRBORNE GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS ON REXSPAR PROPERTY, BIRCH ISLAND KAMLOOPS MINING DIVISION BRITISH COLUMBIA

SUMMARY

Two new areas of anomalous gamma ray activity were located. The gamma ray response around the Rexspar workings was outlined. The aeromagnetic map reflected the regional attitude of the gneisses. No new areas of granodiorite intrusion were interpreted from the magnetics.

It was recommended that two new areas of anomalous gamma ray activity be explored.

I INTRODUCTION

In order to explore the radio-active mineral potential of the Rexspar area in general, and the north and south group of claims in particular, airborne gamma ray and magnetic surveys were carried out with a helicopter.

Uraninite and thorite mineralization is known around the area, but the wooded slopes are sparce in outcrop and are difficult in access. The helicopter provided easy access. The magnetic survey results were used as an aid in interpreting the gamma ray survey.

II. GENERAL GEOLOGY

A series of metamorphosed sedimentary and volcanic rocks, believed to be Pre-Cambrian age, underlie the Rexspar area. These rocks are gently folded and frequently faulted, and are intruded by younger granodiorites lying in Granite Mountain area. Near the Rexspar property the rock sequence is, from top down:

- 1. quartz sericite schist
- 2. argillite and some andesite
- 3. fragmental trachyte and trachyte
- 4. quartz sericite schist

All of the significant mineralization is in the trachyte • formation, as replacement lenses. The trachyte formation is exposed at surface over a large part of Rexspar area. Its lower contact with the argillite is exposed on the ridge near Foghorn Creek, a short distance above the main camp. The thickness of the trachyte varies up to 500 feet or more, and the mineralized zones are, in general, localized near its upper limits.

The fluospar deposit lies in the centre of a flat-topped knob, (elevation 4,000 feet), that forms the end of a long ridge extending northerly from Granite Mountain. The uranium-bearing deposits are ringed around the fluospar body on the sides and frontal slope of the ridge. All the mineral deposits are lenticular in form and follow the general strike of the formations at about North 30° East, dipping about 30° to the Northwest.

III. PURPOSE OF THE SURVEY

The Gamma Ray and Magnetometer Surveys were carried out over the Rexspar area in order to outline areas of radio-active minerals and intrusive granodiorites. In an area where access on foot is difficult, this airborne work would lead to areas of prime interest, quickly.

IV. SURVEY PROCEDURE

The Barringer, 4-channel gamma ray spectrometer was used. This equipment provides a high sensitivity spectrum analysis of the energy levels in natural radiation from the ground. The outputs of the spectrum analyzer are fed to an analogue computer which reduces the data and generates four outputs, one each, representing the activity level of potassium, uranium, and thorium, and the fourth giving an output proportional to the total radio-activity.

The helicopter also contained Barringer AM-101A, nuclear precession magnetometer. This provides an analogue record on the strip chart.

The navigation was maintained by 35mm frame camera, Bonzer radio altimeter, (maintaining 400 feet elevation above the ground), intervalometer, and standard navigation instruments.

The results are presented on two maps (enclosed in pockets of the report).

- (a) Gamma Ray Survey Map, 1" = 1,320 feet, showing the width and peak values of the uranium and thorium, and Claim Group outlines.
- (b) Magnetic Survey Map, 1" = 1,320 feet, contour map at 50 interval, and Claim Group outlines.

V. DISCUSSION OF RESULTS

The gamma ray results indicate a broad area of activity on the downhill slope around the Rexspar mining operation; some of this may be from contamination, (dust, water, erosion). Two new and quite limited areas were located,

- (a) Thorium anomalies lines L18E; L22E
- (b) Uranium anomaly line L55W

The magnetic contour map shows the magnetic variations of the gneisses on the north side of the river, and a relatively flat magnetic picture on the dip slopes of the south side of the river.

None of the granodiorite intrusions show recognizable magnetic patterns, except in the area of Granite Mountain (L74E).

VI. CONCLUSIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

Two new small gamma ray anomalies were located. They lie outside the claim groups being surveyed. The main radio-active anomaly was outlined. Further work on the Rexspar property may be implied from this anomaly, but the extent of the work to date, in this area is not known to the writer.

The magnetic survey did not outline any new areas of granodiorite.

It is recommended that the two new gamma ray anomalies be prospected.

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Respectfully submitted,

Dated December 13, 1968.

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DECLARATION OF FACTS

NAME	DAYS	DATES
J. Schultz	10 days	Nov. 4 - 14, 1968
J. Kreke	10 days	Nov. 4 - 14, 1968
W. Saszniak	10 days	Nov. 4 - 14, 1968
Tom Gledhill	15 days	Nov. 15 - Dec. 12, 1968
Vito Clementi	15 days	Nov. 15 - Dec. 12, 1968

(b) Total Salary, Wage or Fee: See Note #1

(c) DIRECT COSTS

(a)

Rental of Equipment - Magnetometer, Gamma Ray

Materials - - - - - -

Aircraft Charter - Jet Ranger - - - -

Re Above: See Note #1

<u>NOTE # I</u> - Included in Contractor's price @ \$25.00/line mile For further particulars contact: Interprovincial Helicopters Limited 220 Bay St., Suite 202, Toronto 1, Ontario

Line Miles Surveyed651.75 milesCost of the Surveys\$16, 293.75Number of Claims164Square Miles Surveyed80

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