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ON SOME MELODY CLAIMS
INVERMERE AREA, BRITISH COLUMBIA
ON BEHALF OF
NORTH CANADIAN OIL LIMITED

50° 116° SE

by

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CLAIMS:

Names	Record Number
MELODY 1, 2	11165, 66
MELODY 5	13435
MELODY 7, 8	13437, 38

LOCATION:
At the head waters of Copper Crown Creek
about 10 miles southwest of Invermere,
British Columbia
Golden Mining Division
~~115° 15° SE~~
50° 116° SE

DATES:
August 30 to September 9, 1968

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SUMMARY

The present limited induced polarization survey has revealed several indications of abnormally high chargeabilities indicating sub-surface concentrations of metallically conducting material. The nature of this material is as yet unknown however it could consist of sulphide mineralization, carbonaceous material, magnetite or other metallically conducting minerals in unknown relative proportions.

Moderate amplitude chargeability effects are seen near an area of known sulphide mineralization. Other high chargeability indications occur over shale horizons and so may be due, at least in part, to concentrations of carbonaceous material.

A drilling program is presently in progress to test some favorable geological areas as well as some of the present high chargeability indications. It is recommended that the results of this drilling be compared with the present induced polarization results to determine whether additional drilling or induced polarization surveying on the present claims is warranted.

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INTRODUCTION

During the period from August 30 to September 9, 1968, a geophysical field party under the direction of Mr. Phil Nielson executed an induced polarization survey on some MELODY claims in the Invermere area, British Columbia, on behalf of North Canadian Oil Limited.

Access to the property which is at about 7,000' elevation was by helicopter from Invermere. Topographic relief on the property is quite extreme. There is a great deal of rock exposure however much of the area is overlain by talus and drift. The mineral claims covered, in whole or part, by this survey are listed on the title page of this report and are shown on the accompanying plate on a scale of 1" = 1500'. These claims are held by North Canadian Oil Limited.

Seigel Mark V time-domain (pulse-type) induced polarization equipment has been employed on this property. These units have a current-on time of 1.5 seconds and an integrating time of 0.5 seconds. The accompanying copy of H. O. Seigel's paper entitled "Three Recent Irish Discovery Case Histories Using Pulse Type Induced Polarization" gives a description of the phenomena involved in this type of survey, the equipment employed, the field procedures and the nature of the results obtained over various base metal ore bodies.

The purpose of an induced polarization survey is to map the subsurface distribution of metallically conducting mineralization beneath the grids covered. In the present area such mineralization could include galena, pyrite and other metallic sulphide minerals. As well, metallic conductors such as graphite can give responses not always distinguishable from sulphide mineralization on the basis of the electrical characteristics alone.

For the present survey three grid lines totalling about one line mile were laid out approximately 400' apart oriented approximately north 25° east. The three electrode array with electrode spacings of 400' and 200' was employed over much of the profile lengths. In addition, in one area the three array with electrode spacing of 100' was employed to give additional detail. The station interval was, in most cases, 100'.

GEOLOGY

The survey area is underlain by Proterozoic sedimentary rocks consisting primarily of dolomites, argillites, shales and quartzites of the Dutch Creek Formation. A northwesterly trending fault traverses two of the profile lines covered by the present survey. Galena-silver mineralization in blebs, veinlets and as replacements in dolomite is seen to occur near the fault. The geology shown on the accompanying plate is as reported by Mr. Howard

Myers, consultant for North Canadian Oil Limited.

DISCUSSION OF RESULTS

The accompanying plate on the scale of 1" = 100' shows the geophysical survey results in profile form. Two parameters are plotted, chargeability (the induced polarization characteristic of the rock) and resistivity. The vertical scales for these profiles are 1" = 5.0 milliseconds for chargeability and 1" = 2000 ohm-metres for resistivity. In order to accommodate the geophysical profiles, the inter-line spacing is not shown to scale.

Approximately half of the length of profile covered shows chargeability responses in the 5.0 millisecond range which may be considered a background level for the present survey area. Chargeabilities in excess of this level may indicate subsurface concentrations of metallically conducting mineralization worthy of further investigation.

Each profile is discussed separately below since a relatively small area has been covered by the present survey and it is difficult to make definite line to line correlations of the geophysical data.

Line 2

The chargeability responses on this profile range from between 4.0 and 6.0 milliseconds from 4S to the base line and again from 7N to 15N; however in the section between the base line and 7N, chargeabilities ranging up to 10.5 milliseconds have been observed. This section has been covered using both the 200' and 400' electrode spacings. Quantitative interpretations reveal that the source of the anomalous responses may approach to within 100' or perhaps closer to the ground surface near 4N and dip southwards. Further detailed observations would be necessary for a more precise interpretation of the location, attitude and possible metallically conducting content of the source body. The resistivity values observed along the line range from about 2000 ohm-metres to a maximum of 15,600 ohm-metres and are highest at the south end of the line.

Line 3

Chargeabilities slightly in excess of 5.0 milliseconds and ranging up to a peak value of 9.0 milliseconds are observed along the profile from the south end to station 4N. These responses coincide generally with a zone of known sulphide mineralization occuring near a fault and could indicate a concentration of up to 2% by volume of metallically conducting material. It is noted that an argillaceous rock type occurs on the south side of the fault and that some argillites contain metallically conducting carbonaceous material which may increase the induced polarization response.

The section of the line from 4N to 9N shows chargeabilities below 5.0 milliseconds however from 9N to the north end of the line increased chargeabilities are observed. A chargeability peak of 25.0 milliseconds and a corresponding resistivity low occur at station 16N for the 200' electrode spacing. Quantitative interpretations reveal that a narrow steeply dipping source may come to within 50' of the ground surface at about station 16N. The chargeability peak which occurs on the 400' electrode spacings at 14N is thought to be due to the interpreted source at 16N. The nature of the material which may cause the anomaly at 16N is as yet unknown, however, the surface geology reveals that the area is underlain by shale. Shale, as argillite, can contain carbonaceous material which gives high chargeability responses; however, the possibility that the present results may be due to sulphide mineralization cannot be ruled out. The resistivity values vary along the line from about 1000 ohm-metres to 1600 ohm-metres and are high at the south end of line perhaps in correlation with the resistivity observations on Line 2.

Line 4

This line has been covered with the three array and 200' electrode spacings only. Two chargeability peaks of 14.5 and 11.5 milliseconds occur at 14N and 17N respectively. Further detailed measurements are required before precise quantitative interpretations can be made of these indications however it is likely that a source of high chargeability underlies each of the peaks. The resistivities on this line are seen to be quite uniform and vary from approximately 2000 to 4500 ohm-metres.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The present results indicate that approximately 40% of the rock tested by the present survey contains in excess of 1% by volume of metallically conducting material. There is a possible correlation of high chargeability readings occuring between 3S and 4N on Line 3 which correspond at least in part with known galena mineralization and high chargeability observations occuring on the adjacent part of Line 2. This high chargeability zone is open to the east and west and if the present responses are indeed due to concentrations of sulphide mineralization, a considerable volume of such rock could possibly exist on the property.

The high chargeability zone at 16N on Line 3 may correlate with one or both of the high chargeability peaks on Line 4 thus indicating another possible east-west trending zone of high chargeabilities. This zone is not as yet delimited on strike. It is noted that these high chargeabilities correspond at least in part with a shale horizon which could be the source of the present high responses.

The geology of the present property is quite well known and a drill program is presently in progress which will test some of the favorable geological areas as well as the present high induced polarization responses. If, after a review of the drilling, it appears that sulphide mineralization of potential significance is indeed responsible for the present anomalous responses, then further diamond drilling and induced polarization surveying may be warranted on the MELODY claims.

Respectfully Submitted,

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DOMINION OF CANADA:
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.
TO WIT:

In the Matter of a geophysical survey on behalf of North Canadian Oil Limited

I, E. M. Flett for Seigel Associates Limited

of 750 - 890 West Pender, Street, Vancouver

in the Province of British Columbia, do solemnly declare that an induced survey has been exeauted on some MELODY Claims, Inveremere area, British Columbia between September 1 - 10/68.

The following expenses were incurred:

(1)	Wages			
	P. Nielsen	10 days @ $35.00/day	$350.00	
	A. Albrecht	10 days @ $27.50/day	275.00	
		Overtime for Labour Day	30.00	$655.00
(2)	Transportation & Shipping			243.00
(3)	Food & Living Expenses			105.05
(4)	Consulting Fees			
	5 days @ $200/day		$1,000.00	
	5 days @ $105/day		525.00	1,525.00
				$2,528.05

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the "Canada Evidence Act."

Declared before me at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 16th day of October, 1968, A.D.

E M Flett

~~A Commissioner for taking Affidavits for British Columbia.~~
A Notary Public in and for the Province of British Columbia.

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Statutory Declaration

(CANADA EVIDENCE ACT)

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President,
Harold O. Seigel & Assoc., Ltd.,
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Annual General Meeting,
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Three Recent Irish Discovery Case Histories Using Pulse-Type Induced Polarization

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ABSTRACT

In the intensive Irish exploration program which has followed the discovery of the Tynagh deposit (Northgate Exploration, Ltd.) in 1962, three base metal discoveries have been made to date. These include the lead-zinc-silver deposits at Silvermines (Consolidated Mogul Mines, Ltd.), which are now being readied for production, the copper-silver deposit at Gortdrum (Gortdrum Mines, Ltd.) and the lead-zinc deposits near Keel (Rio Tinto-Zinc Ltd.). Each of these discoveries is the result of a combined geological-geochemical-geophysical exploration sequence in which pulse-type induced polarization surveys defined the precise location and lateral extent of the near-surface metallic sulphide mineralization and guided the initial drilling program. Whereas the Silvermines mineralization is, in part, composed of massive sulphides, the other two deposits are characterized by generally less than 5 per cent conducting sulphides and constitute an excellent demonstration of the unique merits of the pulse-type induced polarization system.

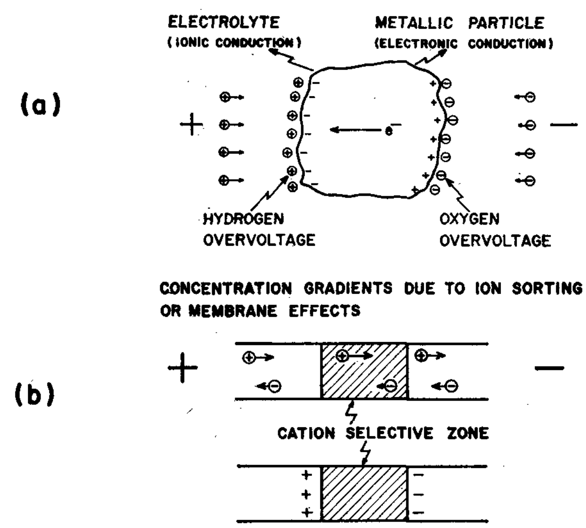

Figure 1.—Induced Polarization Agents.

Introduction

FOR the benefit of those who are unfamiliar with the induced polarization method in general or with the pulse-type method in particular, a few introductory remarks will be directed on the system employed in the present case histories. Those who wish a fuller treatment of the subject are directed to Seigel (1962),* which paper also includes an extensive list of references.

Induced polarization, in its broadest sense, means a separation of charge to form an effective dipolar (polarized) distribution of electrical charges throughout a medium under the action of an applied electric field. When current is caused to pass across the interface between an electrolyte and a metallic conducting body (Figure 1a) double layers of charge are built up at the interface, in the phenomenon known to the electrochemists as "overvoltage." This is the phenomenon which can be utilized for the detection of the metallic conducting rock-forming minerals such as most sulphides, arsenides, a few oxides and, unfortunately, graphite. In addition, effective dipolar charge distributions occur to some extent in all rocks, due to ion-sorting or membrane effects in the fine capillaries in which the current is passing (Figure 1b). Induced polarization responses may therefore arise from metallic or non-metallic agencies. Fortunately, the latter generally fall within fairly low and narrow limits for almost all rock types, although there is still no reliable general criterion for differentiating overvoltage responses from graphite and metallic sulphides, or for distinguishing between the responses of one type of sulphide and another. Despite these limitations, the induced polarization method has amply demonstrated its value in mineral exploration since its initial development as a useful exploration tool in 1948. (Wait *et al.*, 1953).**

*Seigel, H. O., "Induced Polarization and its Role in Mineral Exploration," C.I.M. *Bulletin*, Vol. 55, No. 600, pp. 242-249; *Transactions*, Vol. LXV, pp. 151-158; 1962.

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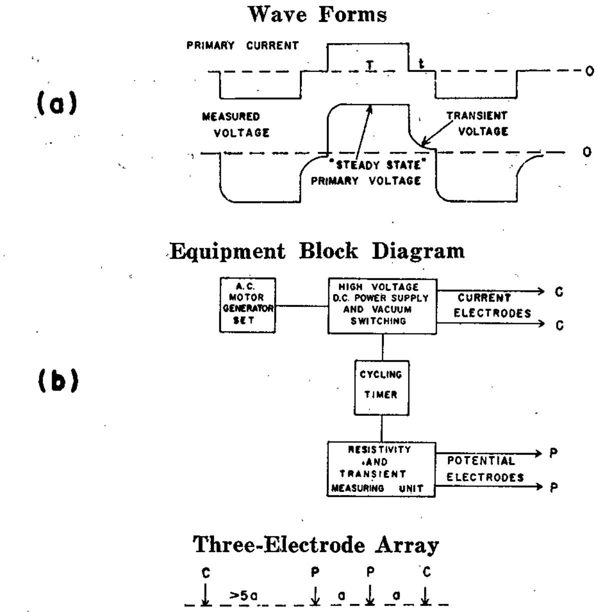

Figure 2.—The Pulse System.

Description of Method

For the present program, the pulse or time-domain system was employed. As shown on Figure 2a, the primary current wave form consists of square wave pulses of 1.5 seconds duration, separated by a 0.5-second gap and alternately reversed in direction. The polarization voltages established during the current-on time decay slowly during the current-off time. They are amplified, integrated over the current-off time and divided by the amplitude of the steady-state voltage measured during the current-on time. In this way, we determine the "chargeability;" i.e., the induced polarization property of the region under investigation. The units of chargeability are milliseconds. Normal (non-metallic) background chargeabilities in most rocks range from 1 millisecond to 5 milliseconds. A distribution of 1 per cent, by volume, of metallic conducting material of an average range of particle size may be expected to increase the response level by about 3 milliseconds, which is readily visible.

The pulse system provides an absolute measurement of induced polarization; i.e., the significant measurement is made in the absence of the primary field. As such, it is inherently more sensitive than the frequency variation system, wherein two measurements are compared, both of which are made in the presence of the primary field. This is a critical consideration when mineralized bodies of low sulphide content, small size or great depth are being sought.

Figure 2b shows a block diagram of the apparatus employed and the electrode array used. The spacing "a" of the three-electrode array determines the effective depth of penetration of the survey and is selected to give adequate penetration to the depth desired. By varying the electrode spacing over an anomalous area and comparing the responses on the various spacings, one may obtain an estimate of the depth of burial of the source and its dip, etc.

A photograph of the type of apparatus employed on these surveys is shown in Figure 3. This is known as Seigel Mk V equipment and consists of the following major components: (a) a 1,200-watt A.C. motor-generator set, (b) a power control unit capable of supplying up to 1000 volts and 2 amperes D.C. output current and (c) a measuring unit. All of these items are packboard-mounted for maximum portability.

Figure 4 shows a typical instrumental set-up in Ireland. In the normal operating procedure, the electronic chassis are set up in a tent and cables are fed out to the line being surveyed. As the line crew is prepared, both mentally and by apparel, to work under all types of weather conditions, the survey is not stopped by rain, etc. This is important in Ireland, where, traditionally, there are no more than 60 rain-free days a year.

For the primary survey coverage on most properties, an electrode spacing of 200 to 300 ft. was generally employed, with a station interval of 200 ft. and a line separation of 300 to 500 ft. On anomalous areas located by the primary coverage, more closely spaced stations and lines are employed, as well as additional spacings to supply the detail necessary for subsequent drilling, etc.

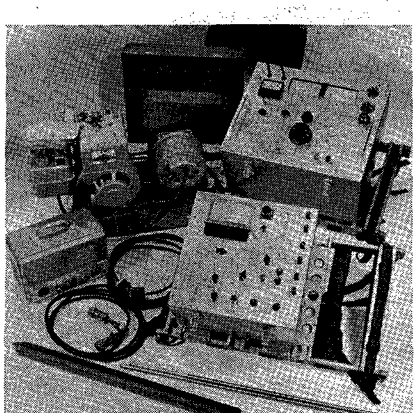

Figure 3.—(above)—The Seigel Mk V Induced Polarization Unit.

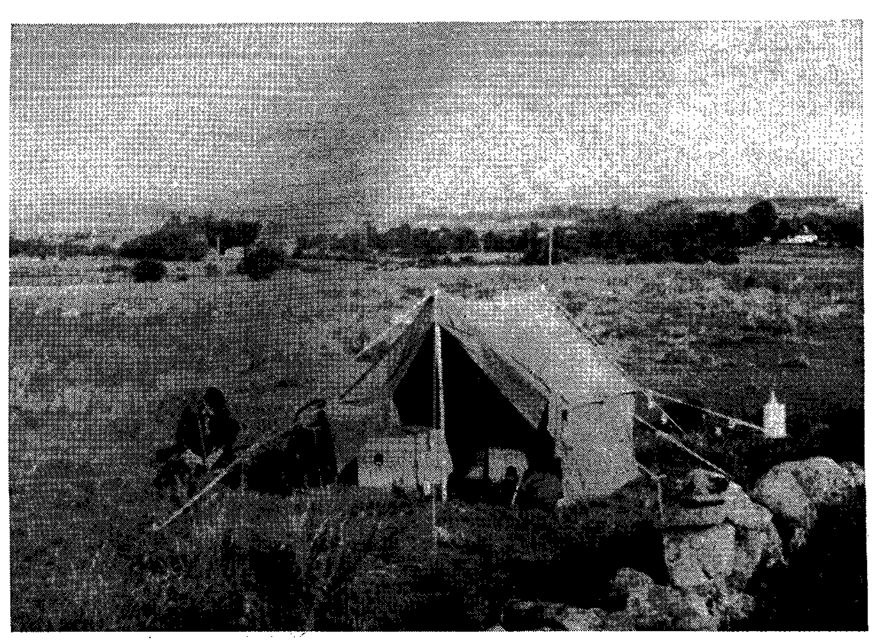

Figure 4.—(right)—Typical Field Operational Base in Ireland.

Case Histories

In presenting the three case histories that follow, it must be made perfectly clear at the outset that these mineral discoveries are the product of teamwork, involving geological, geochemical and geophysical phases. It is on the basis of the first two phases that the areas for geophysical investigation have been selected. As the writer and his organization have been concerned only with the geophysical phase, this paper will, naturally, appear to emphasize it. The contribution of others to the broader exploration program must not be minimized, however.

In January, 1962, a large lead-zinc-silver deposit of a very unusual type was discovered near Tynagh, Co. Galway, in the Republic of Ireland. This deposit includes both a supergene enriched, partly oxidized upper zone and a sulphide primary zone and lies in dolomitic reef limestones of Carboniferous age near a fault contact with Devonian sandstones. Similar rock types and contacts occur in many parts of Ireland, so that an extensive program of exploration was initiated by a number of mining companies, starting in the summer of 1962. Although the pace has slowed up somewhat from the hectic days of 1962 and early 1963, this exploration program continues to the present time.

The usual exploration sequence, although not followed in detail by all companies, is as follows:

1 . . . .

A selection of areas is made, based on the good government geological maps available. As nearly as possible, rock types and structures similar to those of the Tynagh deposit are sought. Those areas with known mineral showings are given high priority, of course.

2 . . . .

The stream sediments in the drainage pattern are sampled and analyzed for significant amounts of copper, lead and zinc. Soil samples may also be taken, often on a regular grid basis, and analyzed. In this fashion, areas of abnormal metal content may be broadly defined. In detail, such geochemical sampling has often been hampered by man-made contamination and confused by soil transport by glacial, fluvial or human agencies.

3 . . . .

Geophysical surveys, primarily the induced polarization type, are then conducted to map the subsurface distribution of sulphide mineralization and to provide guidance for a drilling program thereon.

This exploration program has already been remarkably successful, resulting, to date, in a new lead-zinc-silver mine-to-be at Silvermines, Co. Tipperary, for Consolidated Mogul Mines, Ltd., the probable copper-silver mine-to-be at Gortdrum, Cos. Tipperary and Limerick, for Gortdrum Mines, Ltd., and the interesting lead-zinc prospect at Keel, Co. Longford, for the Rio Tinto-Zinc group (Riofinex Ltd.). Figure 5 shows the location of the various recent mineral discoveries in Ireland. Despite a remarkable similarity in geological setting, the deposits are widely separated geographically, over a length of 80 miles, and no two are located on what can be called the same structure. This bodes well for the possibility of further discoveries being made in Ireland.

Each of the three case histories will be discussed below.

Silvermines Deposit

As the very name of the area implies, the Silvermines region had been known, for many centuries, as a locality mineralized with lead, zinc and silver. Metal production had taken place at several periods in the past, although at the time of the present investigations the mines were dormant. The very prominent Silvermines fault, striking about N 70°E, was known to be the significant control in the region, with the old mines and prospect pits scattered along its length over a distance of about 2 miles. Due to the past mining activity and transport by both drainage and man, a very extensive area gave rise to extremely high geochemical indications in lead and zinc. The induced polarization survey executed in late 1962 and early 1963 covered much of the concession area on 800-ft. sections and the geologically interesting portion thereof on 400-ft. sections. The three-electrode array, with 200-ft. electrode spacing, was employed on all lines, and spacings of 100 ft. and 400 ft. were also employed on the 400-ft. detail lines. In all, approximately 5 miles of the strike length of the Silvermines fault were covered by the present survey, 2½ miles in detail. At least ten distinct zones of abnormally high polarization were indicated, of which about half lay in the Silvermines mineralized belt and its extensions to the west and east.

One of these zones, designated the Garryard, has responded favourably to the subsequent drilling, resulting in the discovery of a mineable orebody.

To date, the announced proven tonnage figures include 12 million tons averaging approximately 8 per cent zinc, 3 per cent lead and 1 ounce of silver in the Garryard zone. This zone lies to the west of the zone from which the previous production had taken place.

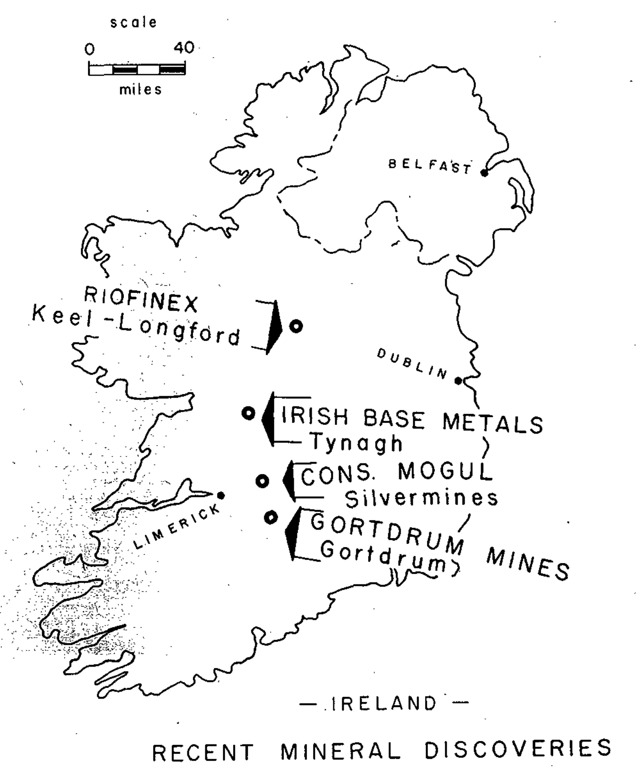

Figure 5.—Location Plan of Recent Mineral Discoveries in Ireland.

Figure 6 shows a typical discovery profile across the main ore zone, on the section 38,400E. The 200-ft. electrode spacing results, both chargeability and resistivity, are shown in profile form. The geologic section, as deduced from nine drill holes, is shown below the geophysical profiles. In a fashion almost identical to that of the Tynagh deposit, the Silvermines orebody is located in gently north-dipping dolomitic limestones adajacent to a fault contact with the Devonian "Old Red" sandstone. The mineralization here is composed of both massive and disseminated sulphides, with the former composed of a high percentage of pyrite. The mineralization is essentially conformable, in two distinct horizons, and is therefore flatly dipping except in the vicinity of the fault, where the dips are much steeper, perhaps due to "drag folding" on the fault.

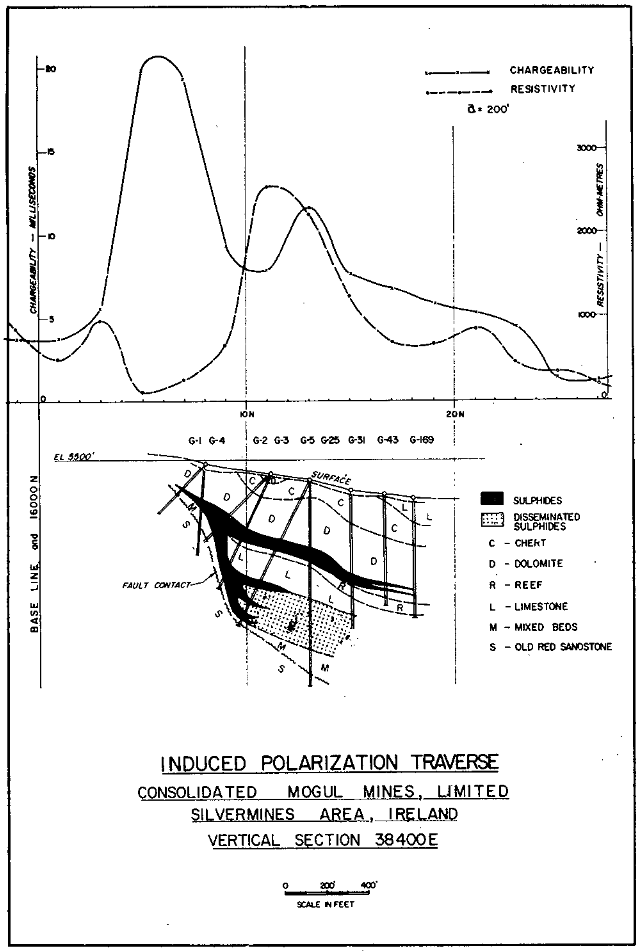

Figure 6.—Typical Discovery Traverse, Silvermines Deposit.

Because of the high pyritic content of the mineralization near the fault, along which it comes closest to the ground surface, we see both a marked increase in chargeability and a sharp decrease in resistivity in that vicinity. From a normal background of 2-4 milliseconds, the chargeability curve rises to a peak response of 20 milliseconds over the sub-outcrop of the body on this section. The subsidiary peak of about 12 milliseconds near 11N is believed to be due to disseminated pyrite in the chert horizon.

Figure 7 shows the multiple spacing chargeability results on the same section, using electrode spacing of 100, 200 and 400 ft. and the three-electrode array. On comparing the results with the various spacings, two items of interest may be noted; firstly, the progressive increase in peak amplitude with spacing, testifying to the increase of mineralization with depth, even down to a depth of 300 ft., and, secondly, the presence of buried material of high polarization at depth beneath section 10N to 18N on this line. The latter is undoubtedly due to the down-dip extension of the upper mineralized horizon, which is present at depths of 300 to 400 ft. over this region.

The induced polarization results on the Silvermines deposit were quite definitive and have provided good guidance for the exploratory drilling. It is true, however, that the massive sulphide portions of this deposit would be amenable to detection by the more conventional electrical methods, such as electromagnetic induction or resistivity. As such, it is not as good a test of the capabilities of the induced polarization method as are the two case histories which follow.

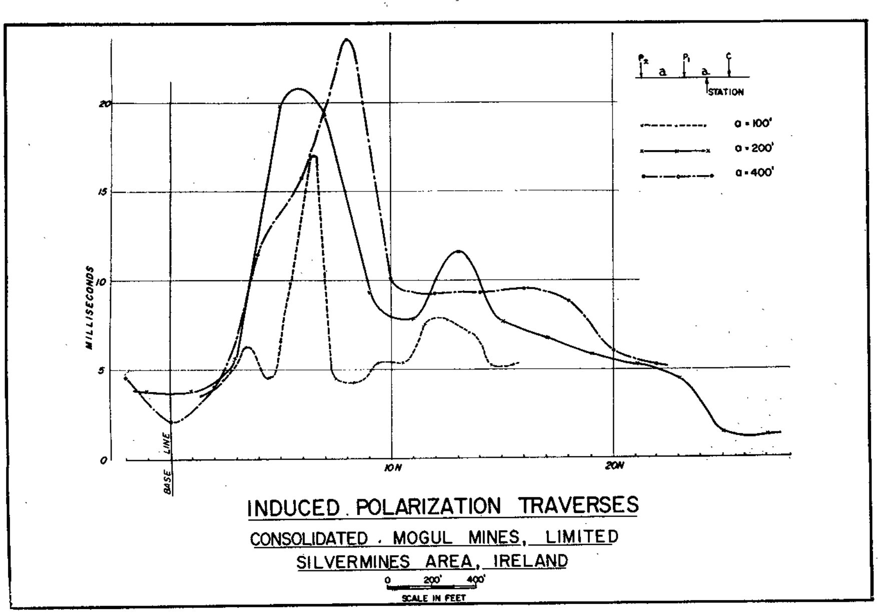

Figure 7.—Multiple Spacing Results, Silvermines Deposit.

Gortdrum Deposit

The Gortdrum area, near the mutual border of Cos. Limerick and Tipperary, was originally selected to cover the eastern extension of the former Oola Mines lead-zinc deposit, some 3 miles to the west. Regional geochemical sampling of the stream sediments in this area, followed by soil traverses, indicated a moderately strong copper soil anomaly. Induced polarization surveys were carried out in May, 1963, and January, 1964, leading to the localization of the sulphide mineralization associated with the geochemical anomaly. As there was a 300-ft. lateral displacement between the centers of the geophysical and geochemical indications and the surface topography is very gentle, it was initially queried as to whether the two indications

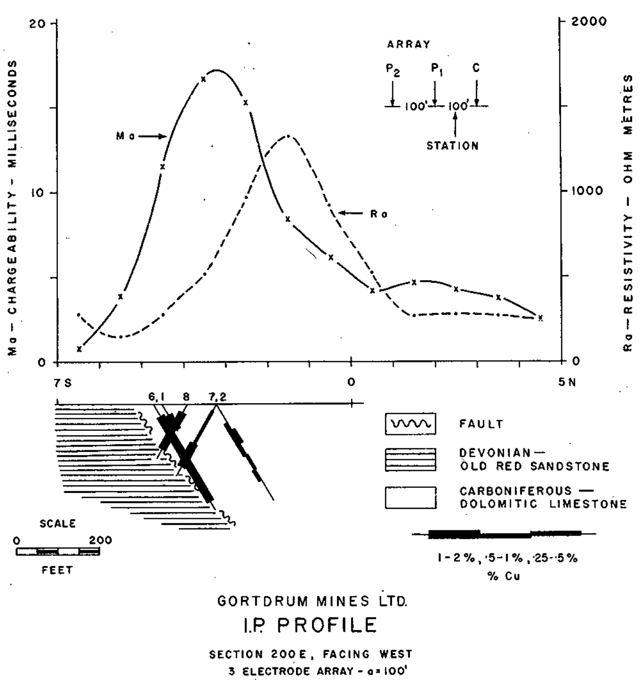

Figure 8.—Typical Discovery Traverse, Gortdrum Deposit.

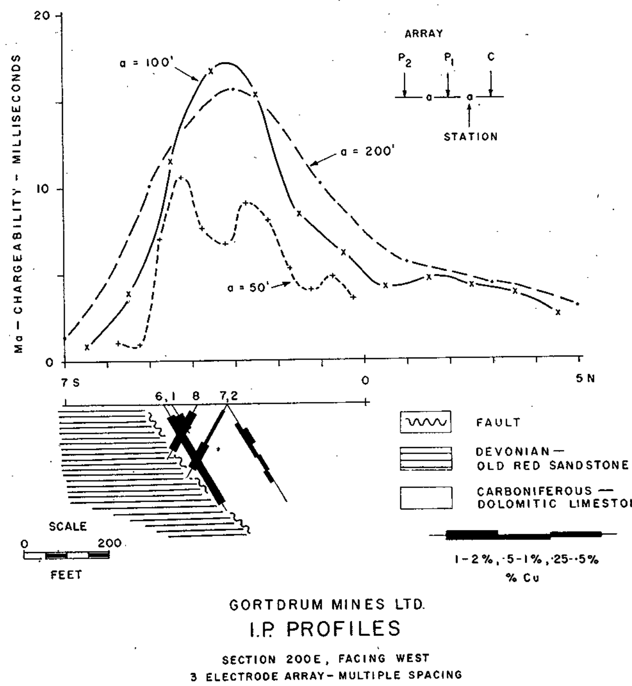

Figure 9.—Multiple Spacing Results, Gortdrum Deposit.

were related. The subsequent drilling has fully confirmed the geophysical predictions.

On the initial two geophysical programs, the three-electrode array with 100-ft. spacing was employed, as a relatively shallow source of the geochemical anomaly was expected. The survey lines were at 200-ft. intervals. Figure 8 presents a typical discovery traverse, showing both the chargeability and resistivity profiles as well as the corresponding geologic section. A peak chargeability of about 17 milliseconds is observed, rising from the normal background of 2-4 milliseconds. There is no resistivity expression of the mineralized zone, lying as it does on the flank of a high-resistivity area.

Figure 9 shows the chargeability profiles for electrode spacings of 50, 100 and 200 ft. Points of special interest deduced from these profiles include the following:

1.—The extremely sharp cut-off of the high chargeability levels on the south side of the area and the gradual drop-off in level on the north side. This was inconsistent with the thought of a bedded-type deposit conformable with the limestones, which are known to dip flatly to the south. A fault or other contact was postulated, dipping steeply, probably to the north. The initial drill holes on the section (Nos. 1, 2 and 6) were drilled to the north on the original geologic-dip premise, but the later holes (e.g., Nos. 7 and 8) have all been drilled to the south.

2.—The high-polarization material does not quite outcrop, but still comes within about 25 ft. of the ground surface across a width of about 200 ft., including two or more lenses. This material extends to at least 200 ft. in depth.

The actual drilling results confirm the presence of a zone of finely disseminated chalcocite and bornite, with very minor chalcopyrite, in dolomitic limestones. The mineralization is somewhat erratically distributed but, in general, increases as one approaches a north-dipping fault, which brings the limestones into contact with the Devonian Old Red sandstones. This fault has been found to strike about N 70°E. Geologically, therefore, this environment is almost identical to that of the Tynagh and Silvermines deposits. The mineralization in the Gortdrum area is quite different, however, both in type and amount. The average grade of the deposit is less than 2 per cent copper, with about 0.65 ounce of silver for each 1 per cent copper (although considerable potential open-pit tonnage may exist), so that the average sulphide content, by volume, is 3 per cent or less. The high chargeability responses observed over this deposit are a remarkable tribute to the sensitivity of the pulse-type induced polarization method, particularly when dealing with truly disseminated-type sulphide mineralization with a small average particle size.

As development drilling is still in progress on this deposit, no over-all grade or tonnage figures have as yet been released.

Keel Deposit

The deposits near Keel and Longford, Co. Longford, occur on a known limestone-sandstone contact, which is, no doubt, one of the reasons why exploration interest was attracted thereto. Soil sampling traverses by Riofinex Ltd., an exploration subsidiary of Rio Tinto-Zinc Corporation, Ltd., established the presence of anomalous lead and zinc concentrations. A horizontal-loop electromagnetic survey was initially executed in another attempt to determine the source of the geochemical indications, but with negative results. This was followed by induced polarization surveys in November and December, 1962. The three-electrode array, with an electrode spacing of 200 ft., was employed on the reconnaissance survey. Anomalous chargeability zones were indicated and exploratory drilling commenced shortly thereafter. Although no publication of results has been made, they are of some potential interest, as drilling has continued, at intervals, to the present time.

Figure 10 shows a typical section across the prospect, presenting the geophysical and geochemical results in profile form, as well as the geological section interpreted from three holes. The relationship between the mineralized horizon, the geophysical peak and the geochemical peaks is a matter of considerable interest. The sub-outcrop of the mineralized horizon and the geophysical peak are in good agreement (see also Figure 11). The lead peak is displaced about 400 - 500 ft. down slope to the south. The zinc peak is displaced still another 300 ft. to the south. The actual topographic slope is only 1-2 degrees to the south, so that this displacement is difficult to account for on the basis of soil creep. There is only a minor resistivity depression associated with the mineralization, indicating why the electromagnetic survey failed to give any positive response to it.

The mineralization itself is primarily sphalerite, with some galena and, on the average, less than 5 per cent pyrite. It is found to lie primarily in a dolomite horizon adjacent to a contact with sandstone. In this case, the contact may be largely a depositional one and not due to a fault. Mineralization occurs to a minor extent in the sandstone as well.

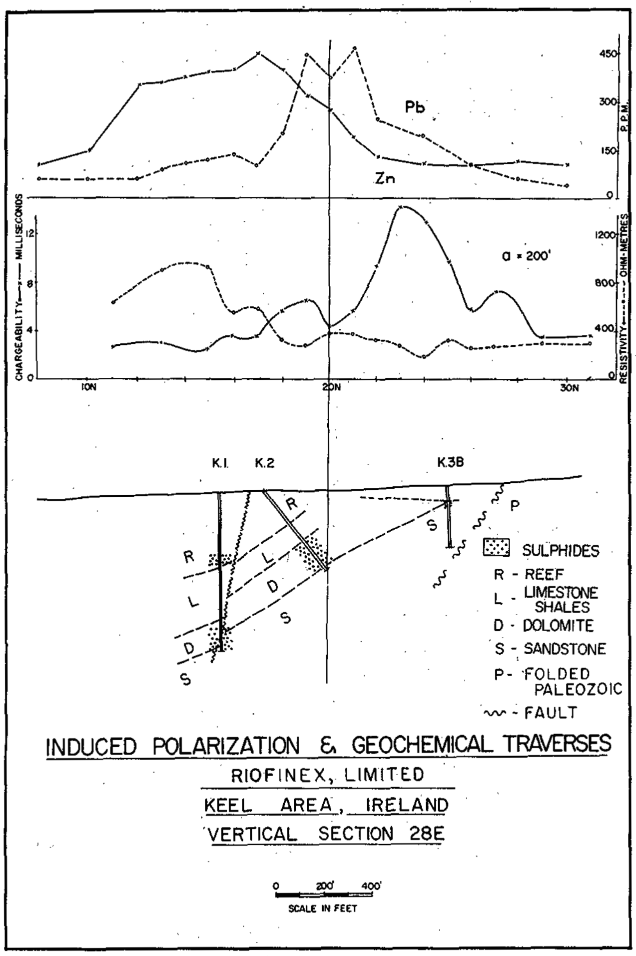

Figure 10.—Typical Discovery Traverse, Keel Deposit.

Figure 11 shows the chargeability results of the multiple spacing profiles on this section. Spacings of 50, 100 and 200 ft. were used. The progressive step-out of the peak values to the south with the increase in electrode spacing indicates the effect of the relatively flat dip to the south of the mineralization. The sub-outcrop of the mineralization is near station 26N, at a depth of less than 25 ft. As hole K3B, only 100 ft. away, intersected almost 60 ft. of overburden one must conclude that the bedrock surface is rather irregular in this area. The peak chargeability of 24 milliseconds would suggest a metallic conductor content of the order of 6 to 12 per cent, by volume, in this area.

It is the writer's hope that he has not given the impression that every induced polarization anomaly in Ireland inevitably defines an orebody, or that every exploration venture there is crowned with success. Aside from effects due to the many man-made conductors, such as grounded power lines, rabbit fences and buried pipe lines, there are certain carbonaceous sediments, in particular the Calp limestone, which overlies the ore-bearing dolomitic limestone in some places, which yield high polarization responses. Fortunately, the areal distribution of the latter is usually broad enough to suggest a formational origin. Also, fortunately, the Calp is, stratigraphically, sufficiently well separated from the ore-bearing limestones so that the effect from these two horizons may be resolved. With the geological and geochemical information available, one can usually determine whether a particular induced polarization indication warrants investigation by drilling. Despite its limitations, the pulse-type induced polarization method has well demonstrated its application to a broad range of base metal exploration problems in Ireland.

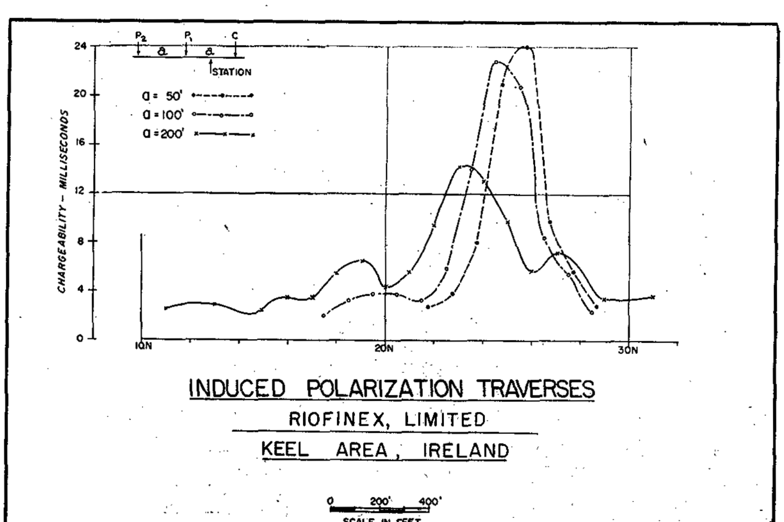

Figure 11.—Multiple Spacing Results, Keel Deposit.

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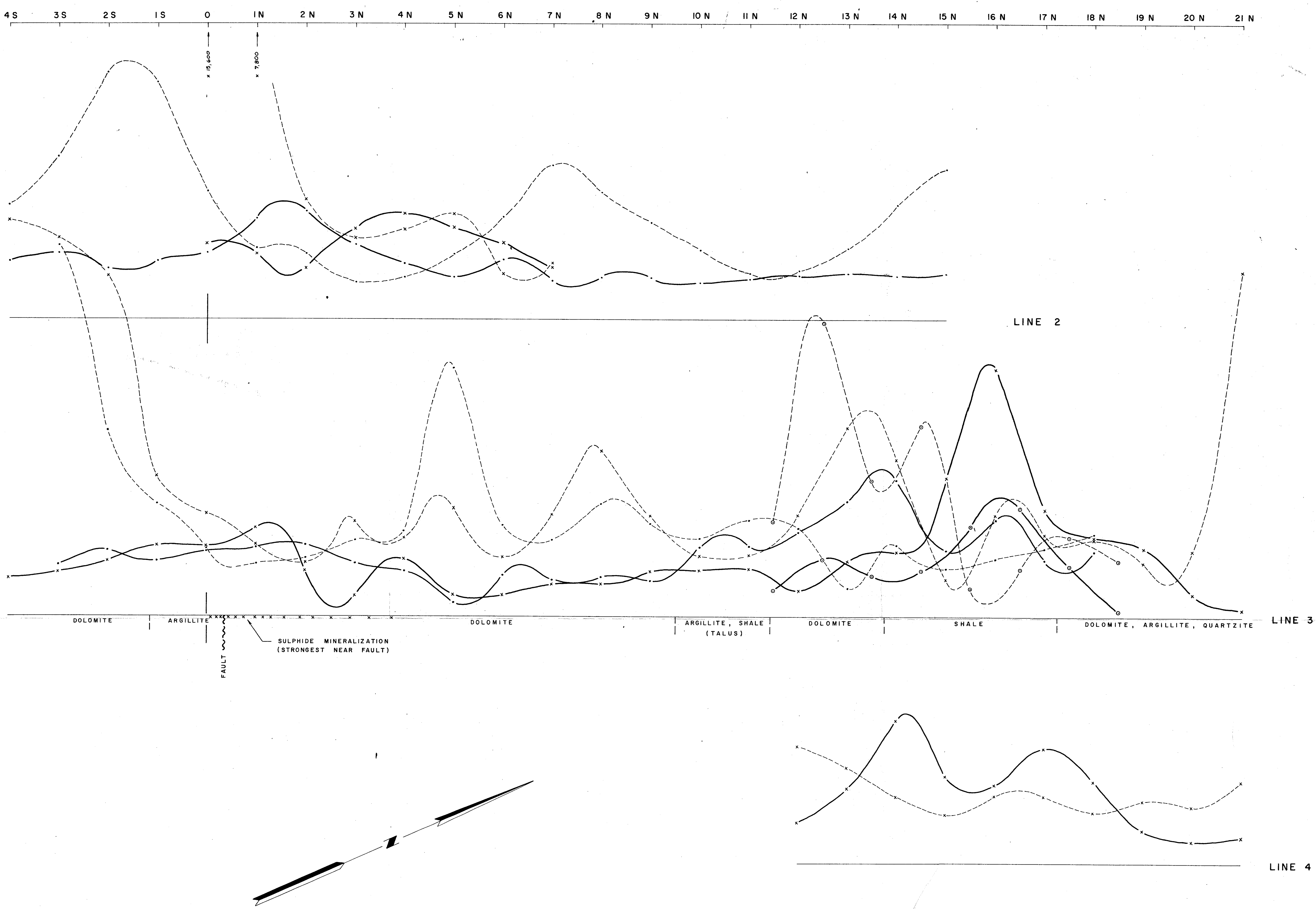

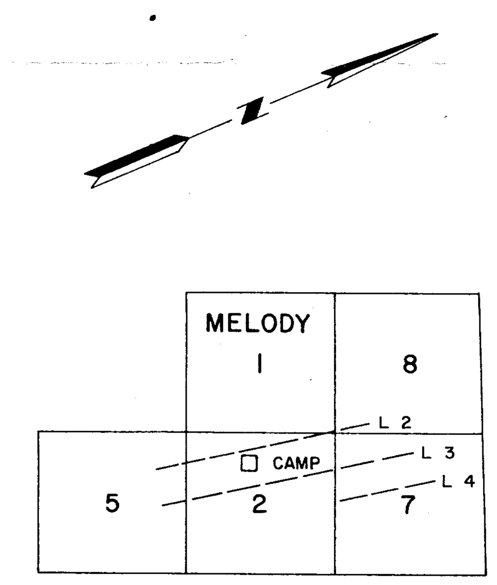

CLAIM MAP

SCALE : 1" = 1500'

LEGEND:

CHARGEABILITY: SCALE: 1" = 5 MILLISECONDS
ELECTRODE SPACING: a = 400' •———•———•
a = 200' ×———×———×
a = 100' ⊙———⊙———⊙

RESISTIVITY: SCALE: 1" = 2000 OHM-METRES
ELECTRODE SPACING: a = 400' •- - - -•- - - -•
a = 200' ×- - - -×- - - -×
a = 100' ⊙- - - -⊙- - - -⊙

NOTES:
· THREE ELECTRODE ARRAY
INTERLINE SPACING NOT TO SCALE

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SCALE : 1" = 100'

SURVEY BY SEIGEL ASSOCIATES LIMITED
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