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INTRODUCTION

During the period September 13-19, 1976, Glen E. White Geophysical Consulting & Services Ltd. conducted a program of linecutting, electromagnetometer and induced polarization surveying on a group of crown grant mineral claims known as the "French Mine" claims. The survey was conducted on behalf of Grove Exploration Ltd. to try and locate any extension of the original mineral deposit.

PROPERTY

The property consists of some 13 contiguous crown grant mineral claims as illustrated on Figure 1.

LOCATION AND ACCESS

The property is located some 4 miles southeast of HEDLEY, B.C. west of Winters Creek and immediately north of the Indian Reserve land, Latitude 49°20'N, Longitude 120°01'W, N.T.S. 92 H/8.

Access to the property is by gravel road to the 3910 portal from the Hedley - Nickel Plate road.

GENERAL GEOLOGY

This property is generally referred to in the B.C. Department of Mines literature as the Oregon claims or French Mine. Mining of the mineral zone was undertaken

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by Kelowna Mines Kedley Ltd. from 1950 - 55 and by Cariboo Gold Quartz Mining Company Ltd. as the French Mines Ltd.

A general geological description of the mine can be found in the B.C. Minister of Mines and Petroleums Resources Annual Report 1960. The mine is in a solient of the Nicola group of Triassic age which extends about a mile southwest ward into younger granodiorites of Jurassic age described as the Coast Intrusives. The Nicola group consists of a band of limy strata up to 60 feet wide between fine-grained dark coloured tuffs. Locally the limestone has been replaced by silica. The ore consists of bornite, chalcopyrite, arsenopyrite and pyrrhotite in a gangue of metamorphosed limestone consisting of quartz, garnet and epidote. The axis of the ore body trends northwest and plunges to the southeast and is flat lying for most of its length and may possibly be controlled by an overturned nappe-type fold.

SURVEY SPECIFICATIONS

Survey Grid

The baseline was surveyed at a bearing of S 65° E for a distance of some 4000 feet. Lines 2W, 0, 4E, 8E, 16E, 24E and 40 E were turned off at right angles and numbered at 100 foot intervals. Some 5 miles of survey grid was established.

Electrode Array

The data was obtained using the "three electrode" array. This array consists of one current (C_1) and two potential electrodes $(P_1 \text{ and } P_2)$ which are moved together along the survey line at a fixed distance apart which is known as the "a" spacing. The second current electrode is placed at "infinity". This survey was conducted with an "a" spacing of 300 feet.

Induced Polarization

The equipment used on this survey was the Huntec pulse-type unit. Power was obtained from a Briggs and Stratton motor coupled to a 2.5 KW 400 cycle, three phase generator, providing a maximum of 2.5 KW D.C. to the ground. The cycling rate is 1.5 seconds "current on" and 0.5 seconds "current off", the pulse reversing continuously in polarity. Power was transmitted to the ground through two potential electrodes, P_1 and P_2 .

The data recorded in the field consists of careful measurements of the current (I) in amperes flowing through electrodes C_1 and C_2 , the primary voltage (V_p) appearing between electrodes P_1 and P_2 during the "current on" part of the cycle, and the secondary voltage (V_s) appearing between electrodes P_1 and P_2 during the "current off" part of the cycle.

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The apparent chargeability (M') in milliseconds, is calculated by T_p (M₁ $\neq 2M_2 \neq 4M_3 \neq 8M_4$) = M', where T_p is the basic integrating time in tenths of seconds. M₁, M₂, M₃ and M₄ are the chargeability effects at various times on the voltage decay curve following switch off of the transmitter, measured as a percentage of the primary voltage, V_p recorded during the "current on" time. By the use of these factors, one can gain an estimate of the decay curve in terms of chargeability for the given time T_p. This gives a quantitative value to the data measured.

The apparent resistivity, in ohm-feet, is proportional to the ratio of the primary voltage to the measured current, the proportionality factor depending on the geometry of the electrode array used. The chargeability and resistivity obtained are called "apparent" as they are values which that portion of the earth sampled by the array would have if it were homogeneous. As the earth sample is usually inhomogeneous, the calculated apparent chargeability and apparent resistivity are functions of the actual chargeabilities and resistivities of the rocks sampled and of the geometry of the rocks.

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Electromagnetometer Survey

This survey was conducted using a Ronka EM-16 V.L.F. electromagnetometer. This instrument acts as a receiver only. It utilizes the primary electromagnetic fields generated by VLF marine communication stations. These stations operate at a frequency between 15-25 KHZ, and have a vertical antenna-current resulting in a horizontal primary field. Thus, this VLF - EM measures the dip-angle of the secondary field induced in a conductor.

For maximum coupling, a transmitter station located in the same direction as the geological strike should be selected, since the direction of the horizontal electromagnetic field is perpendicular to the direction of the transmitting station.

Readings were taken at 50 foot intervals and the data filtered in the field by the operator as described by D. C. Fraser, Geophysics Vol. 34, No. 6 (December 1969). The advantage of this method is that it removes the dc and attenuates long spatial wave lengths to increase resolution of local anomalies, and phase shifts the dip-angle data by 90 degrees so that crossovers and inflections will be transformed into peaks to yield contourable quantities.

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DISCUSSION OF RESULTS

The induced polarization chargeability data is illustrated in Figure 2. A high of 11.3 milliseconds was reached above a background of some 2.5 milliseconds. The survey located a pronounced NW-SE trend which increases in intensity to the SE. This trend direction coincides with the known plunge of the original ore body.

The resistivity data is depicted on Figure 3 and varied from a low of 2100 ohm-feet to a high of 23,600 ohm-feet in the area of the old workings. The apparent resistivity data indicates shallow overburden conditions and for the most part is reflecting the physical characteristics of the bedrock. The areas of high resistivity, 7500 - 10,000 ohm-feet and over, likely reflect areas of limestone.

The V.L.F. electromagnetometer survey located a strong NE-SW trending conductor which reached a high of 48° filtered dip angle. This conductive feature likely reflects a fault zone with possible associated mineralization.

Correlation of the induced polarization and electromagnetometer data is illustrated on the interpretation map, Plate 4. The strong electromagnetic conductor B-B' shows excellent correlation with a low resistivity linear C-C'. These features would appear to regresent a major

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fault linear which possibly offsets the limestone beds (resistivity highs) and appears to have a possible parallel fault A-A'. The chargeability data increases in intensity to the SE in association with high resistivity values and may have been offset by linear A-A'. The chargeability anomaly extends some 3 claim lengths and is open to the NW and SE. It is likely caused by a halo of disseminated mineralization along the periphery of more intensity metamorphosed zones.

Detailed induced polariation surveying was conducted on lines 4E, and 16E with a = 300 and n = 2 and on line 24E with n = 2 and 3. This information is illustrated on Plates 1 - 3 inclusive. On all the lines there is a definite increase in chargeability with depth towards the southeast. Plate 1 shows a broad high centered over 4N at n = 2 which is over the area of the old stoops. Line 16E is particularly interesting as the resistivity increases with depth at $0 \neq 00$ and the chargeability response increases to some 15 milliseconds. Line 24E shows a definite increase in response at all separations towards 4S.

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CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

During September 1976, a program of VLF electromagnetometer and induced polarization surveying were conducted over the old French Mine property, Hedley area B.C., on behalf of Grove Explorations Ltd.

The surveys located a well defined chargeability anomaly which appears to be associated with the old workings. This anomaly follows a zone of high resistivity which has been interpreted as limestone. This zone trends NW-SE parallel to the plunge of the original workings and increases in intensity to the SE. A strong NE-SW directed electromagnetic conductor was located which likely reflects a major fault zone which has controlled the faulting in the mine area. Thus the trend of the induced polarization chargeability and resistivity data in conjunction with the inferred fault offsets would suggest that a continuation of the French ore zone may possibly be found to the SE. A target of definite interest is that at 16E-1S which shows a strong increase in chargeability response with depth along the limestone-tuff contact.

Respectfully submitted, GLEN E. WHITE GEOPHYSICAL CONSULTING & SERVICES L

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APPENDIX

Instrument Specifications

INDUCED POLARIZATION SYSTEM

- A. Instruments
 - (a) Type pulse
 - (b) Make Huntec
 - (c) Serial No. transmitter #107 receiver #3016

B. Specifications

- (a) Size and Power 2.5 KW
- (b) Sensitivity 300 x 10.5 volts
- (c) Power Sources 2.5 KW 400 cycle three-phase generator
- (d) Power by JLO motor, 5.2 K.P. @ 3,600 R.P.M.
- (e) Timing electronic, remote and direct.
- (f) Readings (i) amps (ii) volts primary and secondary
- (g) Calculate (i) Resistivity ohm-feet (ii) Chargeability - milliseconds

C. Survey Procedures

(a) Method - power supplied to mobile probe along TW 18 stranded wire from stationary set-up.
(b) Configuration - Pole-dipole (three electrode array) Plot point midway between C₁ and P₁.

D. Presentation

Contour Maps (i) Chargeability - milliseconds

(ii) Resistivity - ohm-feet

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Instrument Specifications

ELECTROMAGNETONETER

A. Instrument

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(a) Type - Geonics VLF - EM
(b) Make - Ronka Em 16

B. Specifications

Measurement

 (i) Utilizes primary fields generated by VLF marine communication stations, measures the vertical field components in terms of horizontal field present.

(ii) Frequency range 15-25 KHZ

(iii) Range of measurement - in phase = 150% or = 90° - quadrature = 40%

(iv) Method of reading - null detection
 by earphone, real and quadrature from
 mechanical dials.

(v) Accuracy $- \equiv 1\%$ resolution

C. Survey Procedures

- Method (a) Select closest VLF station perpendicular to traverse lines.
 - (b) In-phase dial measures degree of tilt from vertical position.
 - (c) Quadrature dial calibrated in percent null.
 - (d) Station plot plot values read at station surveyed.
 - (e) Eanually filter dip-angle data.

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T.	Ashworth	.Septembe	er 13 - 19/76	\$95/day.	\$665.00
c.	Ashworth	••••	• • • • • * • • • • • •	80/day.	560.00
J.	Behenna		•••••	70/day.	490.00
c.	Beach	• • • • ¹⁸ • • •	• • • • • ^H • • • • •	67/day.	469.00
	Meals and A	Accomodat	tions	• • • • • • • • • • • • • •	640.00
	Instrument	Lease -	I.P. and E	.M	680.00
	Vehicle			• • • • • • • • • • • • •	280.00
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