# ECONOMIC EVALUATION OF THE PERLITE 1 AND 2 CLAIMS EMPIRE VALLEY , BRITISH COLUMBIA

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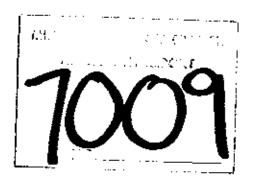
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  - That I am registered as a Professional Geologist in the Province of Alberta.
  - 4. That I have practiced my profession in mining and minerals exploration in Canada and the United States continuously for the past fifteen years.

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### STATEMENT

September 26, 1978

Mr. William Jackman Pine Lake, Alberta TOM ISO

> RE: Report on Economic Evaluation of Perlite 1 & 2 Claims Empire Valley, British Columbia

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Respectfully submitted,

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### PERLITE 1 AND 2 CLAIMS EMPIRE VALLEY, BRITISH COLUMBIA

### INTRODUCTION

On June 3,4,5, and again on September 20, 1978, the author conducted an economic evaluation on the Ferlite 1 and 2 claims. This evaluation consisted researching the economics of perlite, mapping the areal extent of the deposit, assessing the mining potential, and trenching. The author was assisted by Sven Englund of Clinton, B.C. and John Kruszewski of Calgary, Alberta. This report represents the results of this evaluation.

#### HISTORY

The property was originally staked by Lawrence Frenier in the 1960ies. Some hand trenching was completed and preliminary testing conducted by the B.C. Department of Mines. The property was allowed to lapse and acquired by John Kruszewski by staking in the early 1970ies. Further hand trenching and testing of the perlite was conducted. The property is currently under option to Mr. William Jackman of Pine Lake, Alberts.

#### PROPERTY DISPOSITION

The disposition of the perlite property, which is held by staking, is as follows:

Claim Name	Tag No.	No. Units	Total Acreage	Assessment Due
Perlite l	205	6	313	May 19, 1979
Perlite 2	206	6	313	May 19, 1979

# LOCATION AND ACCESS (Map 1 & 2)

The perlite property is located in the Empire Valley, in the Southern Interior of British Columbia. Access is from Clinton, B.C. on Highway 97 for 9 miles to the all weather Gang-Ranch gravel road. The Gang-Ranch road is travelled for 61 miles to the Empire Valley Ranch. The property can be reached either by tote road from the Empire Valley Ranch for 6.5 miles, or the Black Dome Road for 19.7 miles. The Black Dome Road turns off 3 miles before reaching the Empire Valley Ranch. The tote road passes within 500 feet of the perlite outcropping.

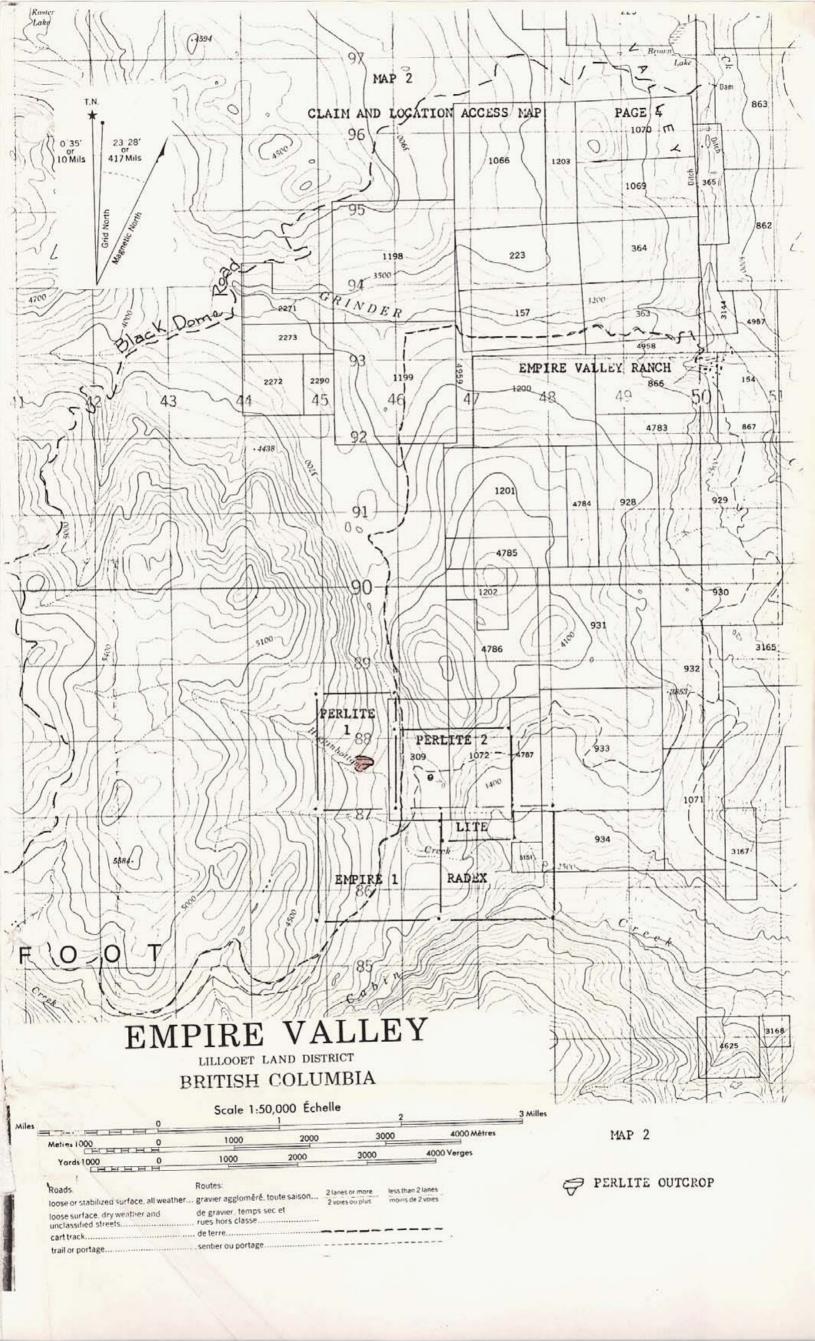
# TOPOGRAPHY ( Map 2)

The claims lie on both provincial government land and Lot 309 and 1072 which is apart of the Empire Valley Ranch. The main exposure of perlite is on government land, at an approximate elevation of 3800 feet, on a low ridge about 100 feet above Higgenbottom Creek. The country in the vicinity of the claims is characterized by open slopes having sparsely timbered fur trees. Overburden appears to be light.

#### PERLITE TECHNOLOGY

Perlite is a glassy volcanic rock, containing 2-5% combined water that upon heating, expands or "pops" to a frothy mass of low density material.





The specific gravity of perlite ranges between 2.2 - 2.4.

Crushed and sized perlite, usually around in in size, has a bulk weight of from 65 - 75 lbs/ p. cu. ft.; wheras the bulk density of the expanded product ranges from about 3 to 12 lbs./ p.cu.ft. Expansion of perlite is accomplished by injection of sized perlite into a furnace with a temperature above 1400° F.

About 75% of all expanded perlite is used in the construction industry. Other uses include abrasives, caulking compounds, filtereids, insulation, and paint texturing. There is currently no domestic production of perlite in Canada.

#### SPECIFICATIONS

Seive analysis tests were conducted on the coarse grained variety of perlite from the claims supplied by John Kruszewski.

Domtar of Canada performed the expansion and seive analysis at their Calgary plant. Results of this testing is included in Appendix I. The green line on the graph represents the limits of Domtars specifications for lightweight aggregate by volume. The red line on the graph represents the cumulative % volume of perlite from the claims. It is understood that the perlite supplied by Kruszewski was blasted instead of the conventional method of mining by ripping with a buildozer. Further testing is required in order to supply a more uniform and larger bulk sample without excessive fines.

# ECONOMIC CONSIDERATIONS

#### Transportation

The perlite property is 69.4 miles to the B.C. Railroad, 9 miles from Clinton. The Gang-Ranch Bridge across the Frazer River is 19.1 miles from the property. This bridge is antiquated and has weight restrictions imposed on it. The 6.5 miles from the Empire Valley Ranch to the property consist of a tote road which would require up-grading to facilitate heavier vehicle traffic. A possible alternative to using the existing bridge would be a road access for 3.5 miles directly to the Frazer River. A bucket conveyor system or trailer lift would transport the broken ore across the river.

This new road would cut off approximately 30 miles of road haulage, eliminate using the bridge, and place the perlite within 40 miles of the B.C. Railhead at Kelly Lake B.C.

Freight rates quoted for crushed and sized perlite is as follows:

Company	Source Co	nveyance	Origin	Destinat	ion Rate pe	r ton
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Trimac	R. Harry	Truck	Perlite !	Prop.	Edmonton	\$42.80 Came
C_N.	A. Bonkowsk	i Rail	Ashcroft	B.C.	Vancouver	\$11.20 Can
C.N.	Pf #2	Rail	Clinton		Edmonton	\$27.00 Can

# Prices And Production

Mine production in the United States for the year 1976, was

660,000 tons, qushed and sized perlite F.O.B. mine site, at an average price of \$15.73 U.S. The selling price quoted for perlite in May, 1978 was \$22.00 U.S. p/ ton. The price of raw perlite ore has increased over 100% since 1972.

The consumption of perlite ore in Canada is unknown, however the potential is large depending on the transportation costs with respect to market location.

# DESCRIPTION OF THE PERLITE DEPOSIT AND ESTIMATED RESERVES

Perlite outcropping on the property occurs in both a coarse grained, highly fractured, and fine grained variety. Outcropping of the coarse variety can be traced for over 1000 feet in an east-west direction and approximately 800 feet in a north-south direction.

Exposures of perlite along Higgenbottom Greek indicate a continuous thickness ranging from 40 to 164 feet.

The fine-grained variety can be traced for 1300 feet in a north-south direction. Assuming the fine grained variety of perlite is suitable for commercial use, a possible total reserve estimate of perlite is as follows:

# MINING POTENTIAL

The perlite is ideally situated for open-pit mining operations. Stripping of overburden would be minimal. Quarrying operations could be carried on during the summer with sufficient stock piling at the mill site to insure a sustained milling operation. The high fracture density of the coarse variety indicates that the perlite can be removed by surface ripping with a D-8 cat. The broken perlite would be shoved into a loading crib erected along the bank of Higgenbottom Creek where it could be gravity fed into dump trucks. The actual milling of perlite will probably be conducted on a site on the east side of the Frazer River. Such a site could ensure year-round access and adequate stockpile sites for various sized perlite ore.

# TRENCHING ( Map 3 folder)

Trenching on the property was undertaken during the month of June, 1978. Map 3 shows locations and approximate dimensions of trenches. All trenches were excavated by hand. Some of the trenching consisted of deepening of existing trenches. A total of 86.7 cu. meters of trenching has been completed.

#### SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Perlite 1 claim has a possible total tonnage of 9.350.000 tons.

The location, light overburden, and high fracture density of the deposit insure a low cost open-pit mining operation

The deposit is situated on provincial land.

There is currently no domestic production of perlite in Canada.

Past testing on the perlite demonstrate that the ore is readily expandable and of potential commercial value.

Existing roads provide access to the property. Provincial mones are available for up-grading and new construction of roads-leading to the deposit.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

- i) Limited bulldozer work should be undertaken to establish depth of overburden, expose limits of perlite, test ripibility, and provide representative samples for testing, and provide vehicle access to top of deposit.
- 2) Conduct further bulk testing of both coarse and fine-grained variety of perlite. Seive analysis testing is essential in establishing potential range of market, and determine expansion qualities.
- 3) Consider drilling a series of rotary holes on a truck mounted vehicle to a depth of 50 feet. Such a program would establish vertical continuity and monitor gradational changes if present.

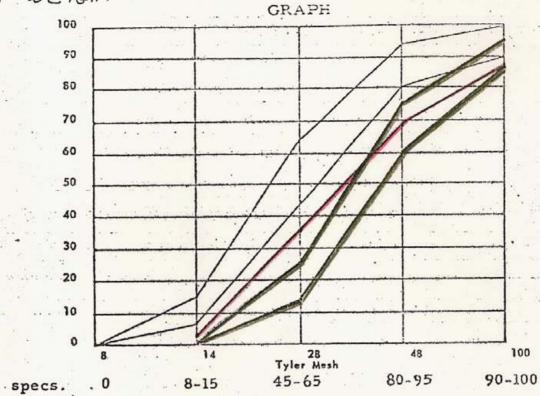
4)Conduct a feasibility study on the potential domestic market of perlite in Canada, and determine transportation costs which may hold an advantage over competing products shipped in from the states

Respectfully Submitted:

PERLITE AGGREGATE

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# STATEMENT

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#### Professional Services:

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