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## (ASSESSMENT REPORT)

## GEOLOGICAL AND GEOCHEMICAL REPORT

FOR NUGGET 1 and NUGGET 2 MINERAL CLAIMS AND NONESUCH AND MILDRED REVERTED CROWN GRANTS

VICTORIA MINING DIVISION
CHEMAINUS RIVER AREA, B.C.

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## INTRODUCTION

The Nugget 1 and 2 minera 1 claims and the NONESUCH and MILDRED Reverted Crown Grants ( $100 \%$ owned by Cominco Ltd.) are located west of the Chemainus River on the southeast side of Mount Brenton. Access to the property is by the Chemainus hauling road leading to Hwy. No. 1 north of Duncan, B.C.

During the period of June 15, 1983 to July 31, 1983, a total of 76 man days were spent on the property conducting line cutting, geologic mapping and a soil geochemical survey. The work was conducted by the author and A.C. Freeze, both Cominco geologists.

## GEOCHEMICAL SURVEY

The geochemical survey conducted on the property consisted of soil sampling with a 25 metre spacing along 5 north-south lines spaced 200 m apart (see plates $3,4,5$ ) that were cut and chained by the author and A.C. Freeze. The samples were taken from the "A" soil horizon and were ashed before analysing for $\mathrm{Cu}, \mathrm{Pb}, \mathrm{Zn}, \mathrm{Au}$ and Ag . The ashing was done in Toronto and the process involved the following steps:

1. Samples were homogenized in a blender.
2. Samples sieved to -80 mesh.
3. Samples were weighed.
4. Samples were ashed in a furnace at $475^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.
5. After several hours the temperature was increased to $550^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.
6. Samples were cooled and weighed to calculate ash \%.

The actual analyses were done in the Cominco Exploration Laboratory in Vancouver. The analytical method involved decomposition with $20 \% \mathrm{HNO}_{3}$ (except for Au which was decomposed using Aqua Regia) followed by atomic absorption spectrophotometry. A total of 270 samples were collected and analysed.

The threshold values for $\mathrm{Cu}, \mathrm{Pb}$ and Zn were calculated using the Cominco STAT PAK program. Analytical results for Ag and Au were too 10 w and uniform ( $0 \mathrm{ppm} \mathrm{Ag}, 0,1,2 \mathrm{ppb}$ for Au ) to calculate anomaly thresholds. The sample numbers with Au and Ag contents are listed in table 1, instead of being plotted on a base map. The threshold values for $\mathrm{Cu}, \mathrm{Pb}$ and Zn in PPM are given below.

Background Possibly Anomolous Anomolous

| Cu | $<50$ | $50 \rightarrow 150$ | $>150$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Pb | $<80$ | $80 \rightarrow 120$ | $>120$ |
| Zn | $<100$ | $100 \rightarrow 140$ | $>140$ |

TABLE 1
Ag

- All values are 0 except line $2 \mathrm{E}, 0+255$ ( 1 ppm ) and L 2E, $0+505$ (2 ppm).

Au

- All values are 0,1 or 2 ppb except:

| Line | Station No. | Au (ppb) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $4+00 E$ | $8+25 S$ | 44 |
| $8+00 E$ | $9+25 S$ | 10 |
| $8+00 E$ | $9+50 S$ | 7 |
| $8+00 E$ | $12+50 S$ | 4 |
| $8+00 E$ | $16+75 S$ | 36 |
| $8+00 E$ | $17+25 S$ | 7 |
| $10+00 E$ | $12+00 S$ | 59 |
| $10+00 E$ | $16+00 S$ | 6 |
| $10+00 E$ | $16+75 S$ | 6 |

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
The geological mapping conducted on the property was done using the chain and compass method. In addition to outcrops, gravel roads on and around the property were surveyed for control purposes.

The geology of the property was found to comprise green to white cherts, sericite/chlorite schist and andesitic tuffs and flows. A small amount of pyrite mineralization was found in all of these units but is not ubiquitous. The schistose rocks strike northwest with steep dips and in two locations contain minor amounts of disseminated chalcopyrite.

The volcanic rocks described above are intruded by both dioritic and gabbroic bodies. These are coarse-grained units of a younger age and the gabbro contains magnetite in several locations. Other than traces of pyrite and a minor fracture-related malachite stain in one location, no mineralization occurs in the intrusives.

The detailed geological map resulting from this survey is shown in plate 2.

## INTERPRETATION

The geological survey showed that the NUGGET 1 and 2 mineral claims as well as the NONESUCH and MILDRED reverted Crown Grants are underlain by andesitic tuff and flows, sericite/chlorite schists and charts of the Sicker Group. These rocks tend to strike northwest and have variable dips. The Sicker rocks are intruded by diorite and gabbro bodies of a younger age. The relative proportions of the two intrusives are roughly equal and combined they cover roughly one third of the property.

The geochemical survey had variable results. Gold and silver values are extremely low over the entire property. Copper, lead and zinc results all indicated small irregular zones, averaging 200 m in length, of both possibly anomalous and definitely anomalous values. In all three cases, the highest values tended to be in the vicinity of small intrusive bodies of gabbro and diorite and are therefore deemed to be genetically related to these intrusives. Values in the "possibly anomalous" range are scattered across the property and occur over all rock types. It is therefore difficult to ascertain whether or not these areas reflect truly anomalous concentratons of $\mathrm{Cu}, \mathrm{Pb}$ and Zn in the A soil horizon.

Report By:


Endorsed By:


Assistant Manager Exploration, Western District


STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

Salaries:
J.P. Sorbara
38 days @ \$155.76/day
\$ 5,918.88
A.C. Freeze
38 days @ \$182.16/day
6,922.08

Geochemistry:

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210 \text { samples } 17.30 / \text { sample } \quad 4,671.00
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Truck Rental:

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38 \text { days } @ 32.50 / \text { day } \quad 1,235.00
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Food and Lodging:

| 38 days @ $\$ 45.55 /$ day | $\underline{1,740.86}$ |
| ---: | ---: |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES | $\$ 20,487.82$ |



## APPENDIX II

## STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

I, J. PAUL SORBARA, OF THE CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER, IN THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, HEREBY CERTIFY:-

1. THAT I am a geologist residing at 1209-2012 Fullerton Avenue, North Vancouver, British Columbia, with a business address at 409 Granville Street, Vancouver, British Columbia;
2. THAT I graduated with a B. Sc. in geology from the University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario in 1976, and with a M.Sc. in geology from the University of Toronto in 1979.
3. THAT I have practised geology with Cominco Ltd. from 1979 to 1983.

Signed:
 Geologist, Cominco Ltd.

1 December 1983






