## REPORT ON

MARK PROPERTY<br>PANGMAN PEAK 82N/15W GOLDEN MINING DIVISION<br>LAT $51^{\circ} 47^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$ - LONG $116^{\circ} 58^{\prime} \mathrm{W}$

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ASSESSMENTREPORT


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The MARK claim group is located at Latitude $51^{\circ} 47{ }^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$, Longitude $116^{\circ} 58^{\prime} \mathrm{W}$, NTS $82 \mathrm{~N} / 15 \mathrm{~W}$ on the B.C.-Alta border approximately 50 kilometres north northwest of Golden in the Golden Mining Division, The property consists of 4 claims totalling 26 units.

The MARK claims are underlain by bedded carbonate sediments of Middle and Upper Cambrian to Ordovician age. The relatively small kimberlitic diatremes do not appear on regional scale maps. Their nature, composition, relationships to bedded sediments, structure and economic significance require detailed study.

The Mark pipe is one of a series of north-northwesterly trending belt of diatremes which crop out over a distance of 50 kilometres in the Rocky Mountains. Mantle materials incorporated in some of these pipes indicate that they are true kimberlites. Diamondiferous kimberlites contain abundant specific mantle derived indicator minerals which formed under similar physical conditions as diamonds. These indicator minerals include pyrope garnet, ilmenite, chromite and chrome diopside of a narrow range of compositions. These materials are diluted in the pipes by addition of extraneous material from the wall of the pipe all the way to the surface. Microdiamonds also occur in much smaller quantities than other indicator minerals but may also be detected in bulk samples.

Diamonds in ore grade materials occur in concentrations of only 0.25 carats per ton, or 1 part diamond to 20 million parts
waste rock, or 0.00000005 percent. There is a much greater probability of detecting indicator minerals than microdiamonds in bulk samples so indicator minerals are extremely significant for determining whether or not a kimberlite may be diamondiferous.

The exposed portion of the Mark kimberlite diatreme has not been mapped in detail so its composition, relationships to bedded sediments and structure are not well known.

Bulk sampling, however has proven the Mark kimberlite diatreme to be diamondiferous. A 30 kg ( 701 b ) portion of 160 kg ( 350 lb ) sample produced 1 ilmenite and 13 chromites of favourable composition consistent with diamondiferous kimberlite pipes. More significantly one $15,820 \times 10^{-8}$ carat microdiamond fragment was recovered from this sample.

The less diluted main pipe below the kimberlitic breccia is the structure in which diamonds may occur in sufficient quantity to constitute ore. The shape, size and precise location of this pipe must be determined. The positive indication of diamondiferous kimberlite through recovery of indicator minerals and the microdiamond requires follow-up by detailed geologic mapping, geophysical studies and bulk sampling. Detailed geologic mapping and geophysical studies will assist in delineating the margins of the kimberlitic diatreme and give some indication of the location of the main pipe structure below the breccia. Additional bulk samples will measure concentration of indicator minerals and microdiamonds which in turn will idicate potential for diamonds in the main kimberlitic pipe.

The cost of the first stage of this project is estimated to be $\$ 85,000.00$.


## MARK CLATM GROUP PROPOSED PROGRAM ESTIMATED COSTS

GEOLOGICAL MAPPING AND GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS

| 1] Geologist and helper 30 days @ $\$ 400.00 /$ day | $\$ 12,000.00$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| 2] 40 bulk samples @ $\$ 600.00 /$ sample | $24,000.00$ |
| 3] Mountaineer 7 days @ $\$ 150.00 /$ day | $1,050.00$ |
| 4] Geophysical survey, allow | $10,000.00$ |

CAMP

| Food and Lodging | $4,500.00$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Transportation | $2,000.00$ |
| Helicopter support $20 \mathrm{hrs} @ \$ 550.00 / \mathrm{hr}$ $11,000.00$ including fuel |  |

REPORT PREPARATION

| Petrographic studies | $2,500.00$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| SEM Analyses | $1,000.00$ |
| Report | $3,000.00$ |
| Assessment by diamondiferous kimberlite specialist | $5,000.00$ |
| Contingencies | $8,950.00$ |

REPORT ON
geological and heavy media geochemical surveys mark claim group Golden Mining Division

NTS $82 \mathrm{~N} / 15 \mathrm{~W}$

INTRODUGTION

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Gower, Thompson and Associates and K.E.Northcote and Associates Ltd. were contracted by Dia Met Minerals Ltd. to examine the MARK claims, review and substantiate available data, prepare a geologicalgeochemical report assessing these data and outline a program to access the potential of the MARK kimberlitic breccia pipe. This work was done in the period January 15 to April 30, 1983. Gower and Northcote, in company with C.Fipke flew over the Mark pipe by helicopter April 3, 1983. Snow conditions prevented landing and examination of the property but insight into the size and nature of the kimberlitic structure was gained. Logistical problems of access and conducting geological, bulk sampling, geophysical and geochemical surveys became apparent.

> LOCATION, TOPOGRAPHY, ACCESS

The MARK claim, the principal claim of the group is located Latitude $51^{\circ} 47^{\prime} \mathrm{N}$, Longitude $116^{\circ} 58^{\prime} \mathrm{W}$, NTS $82 \mathrm{~N} / 15 \mathrm{~W}$, approximately 55 killometres north of Golden in the Golden Mining District. This claim is located on the ridge leading northerly from Pangman Peak forming the B.C.-Alta border and is bounded by Banff National Park at the border. See Figures 1 and 2. The claim group extends for


3 kilometres north-south and 2 kilometres east-west; extending westerly to Valenciennes River.

The topography is extremely rugged and hazardous with some perennial snow cover and exposed precipitous slopes and cliffs. Elevations on the property range from 1800 metres ( 6000 ft ) at Valenciennes River to 2900 metres ( 9500 ft ) between Pangman Peak and Bush Pass. See Figure 2.

The claims are accessible by helicopter from Golden. There is reported to be road access to within 15 kilometres of the property. Middle to late summer affords the best opportunity for mineral exploration. Freezing conditions can be expected even in the summer months in the higher parts of the claim

## CLAIM STATUS

The Mark property is comprised of the MARK I and MARK II claims and the contiguous recently staked BILL I and SHEILA II claims totalling 26 units.

The claim posts have not been examined to confirm accordance with the Mineral Act. Legality of the claims is the responsibility of Dia Met Minerals Ltd.

TABLE I

MARK PROPERTY CLAIMS

| NAME | UNITS | RECORD NO | RECORD DATE | EXPIRY DATE |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| MARK I | 8 | $817(9)$ | Sept 5, 1980 | 1984 |
| MARK II | 10 | $818(9)$ | Sept 5, 1980 | 1984 |
| BILL I | 2 | $1122(6)$ | June 20,1983 | 1984 |
| SHEILA II | 6 | $1121(6)$ | June 20,1983 | 1984 |
| Total | $\underline{26}$ units |  |  |  |

## BACKGROUND' INFORMATION

## Geological Environment of Diamond Deposits

Diamonds are found in extremely low concentrations as accessory minerals in kimberlite rocks and in fluvial and beach deposits. The Finsch Kimberlite in South Africa for example, which is one of the most profitable diamond mines in the Western World, has extremely low diamond concentrations of only the order of one part per billion by volume.

Diamonds, in order to form, require very special physicalchemical conditions found deep in the earth's outer mantle at depths exceeding 200 kilometers. Diamondiferous kimberlites may form in deep seated fracture systems where partial $\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}, \mathrm{CO}_{2}\right)$


Figure 3
volatile pressures provide an explosive mechanism to quickly transport the diamonds to the earth's surface. If the partial pressure of the volatiles exceeds the confining pressure the partial melt moves towards the surface in a series of explosive bursts. Rapid passage results in minimum corrosion and reaction while the diamonds pass through zones where chemical-physical conditions make them unstable. Diamondiferous mantle material is carried upward and mixed with increasing amounts and varieties of wall rock torn off the sides of the ever widening fracture or vent system by increasing explosive intensity upwards. As gaseous streaming diminishes there is commonly surface collapse of the cauldera and mixing of surficial materials with that brought up from depth. If the vent area or cauldera is underwater there may be sedimentary infilling showing some degree of stratification. The end result then, is a pipe similar to Figure 3, a model devised by J.B.Hawthorne of DeBeers.

Diatremes or breccia pipes are fairly common throughout much of geologic time. Most, however, have shallow origins and many have porphyry copper-molybdenum-gold-silver-tin-tungsten mineralization, corresponding characteristic suites of associated rocks, and hydrothermal minerals indicative of a shallow origin. Systems of deeper origin may be nickel-rich and have corresponding Fe Mg rich suites of associated rocks. Kiaberlite diatremes of extremely deep origin, although showing a great diversity of fragments incorporated on the way to the surface, have characteristic mineral assemblages and compositions indicative of their deep origin. Similarly diamondiferous pipes have a narrower range of specific assemblages of indicator minerals of a particular composition range which originate under conditions which are also favourable for formation of diamonds.

There is not complete agreement among petrologists specializing in kimberlites regarding what constitutes kimberlites and diamondiferous kimberlites. In general, however, kimberlite is characterized by inequigranular texture (porphyry/breccia) and mineral components dominated by olivine. There may be large fragments and smaller groundmass grains of olivine and phlogopite. The effects of carbonation and serpentinization are characteristic and there may be large patches of carbonation and serpentinization in the groundmass. Macrocrystal pyrope-rich garnet and picroilmenite grains are ofteb..abundant On a finer scale the textures and chemistry of groundmass spinels and ilmenites also characterize kimberlite. Reaction relationships between early crystals and kimberlite melt are prominent. In diamondiferous kimberlites these indicator minerals have characteristic compositions and are far more abundant than microdiamonds and macrodiamonds and their presence is of extreme significance in exploring for diamonds.

Kimberlites are undersaturated rocks with a silica content near or below $33 \mathrm{Wt} \%$. Alumina and titanium contents are high for ultramafic rock whereas total iron is about average. Compared to other ultramafic suites, kimberlites have a high alkali content, are volatilerich; $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ often greater than $7,5 \mathrm{wt} \%$ and $\mathrm{CO}_{2}$ is high, $3 \mathrm{wt} \%$ and variable. The large $\mathrm{P}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ content 0.5 to $1.0 \mathrm{wt} \%$ is similar to granite.

In addition to primary upper mantle materials, such as eclogites (garnet, clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene and olivinc) which originated where diamonds formed, large quantities and wide ranging varieties of extraneous material torn from the sides of the ever widening pipe are incorporated into the kimberlite during its upward passage. The composition of this extraneous material is dependent upon the rock succession traversed by the pipe and may be quite different from one locality to another.

## EXPLORATION FOR DIAMONDIFEROUS KIMBERLITE DIATREMES

Aids in locating kimberlites pipes in areas devoid of vegetation include Landsat imagery, aerial photographs or aerial reconnaissance. Testing of stream sediment bulk samples for indicator minerals may assist in locating pipes in covered areas. In certain cases, dependent upon differences in lithologies, certain sensitive geophysical methods may be utilized.

However, once a kimberlite pipe is discovered determination of whether or not it is diamondiferous and economic becomes both arduous and costly. The concentration of diamond in a rich kimberlite ore (e.g. at the Premier pipe in South Africa) is approximately one carat per ton ( $0.2 \mathrm{gm} / \mathrm{ton}$ ) or one part diamond per 4.5 million parts of waste rock which constitutes a grade of approximately 0.00000022 percent. Average kimberlite ore runs about 0.25 carat per ton or approximately one part diamond per 20 million parts waste rock ( 0.00000005 percent) (McCallum and Mabarak, 1976)

Although it is not unknown, the probability is extremely low that a macrodiamond will be found during reconnaisssance exploration. Microdiamonds which are minute crystals or fragments occur in greater abundance, provide a greater but still low probability for detection. Therefore exploration and evaluation of diamond potential of kimberlite pipes is carried out by exploration for and analysis of indicator minerals. These indicator minerals include pyrope garnet, chrome diopsides, picroilmentites and chromite. The presence of certain elements and element ratios in the indicator minerals are indicative of diamondiferous potential of pipes.

Other considerations include size of a kimberlitic pipe. There appears to be some empirical relationship between size and production
capability. The larger a diamondiferous pipe is the greater the potential for production is considered to be because the larger pipes appear to have higher concentrations of diamonds. Appendix $B$ is two pages from Diamonds, by Eric Bruton, which graphically shows size relationships among kimberlite pipes

Pipe fields which have intruded thin crustal areas are thought to have less production probability than those penetrating thicker crustal areas.

There are a large number of kimberlite pipes known in North America and many of these are diamondiferous. of these, other than the Jack, three are regarded as having economic significance. These are the Prairie Creek pipe in Arkansas (located in a park), the Batty pipe on Somerset Island N.W.T. (De Beers), and the Sloan pipe in the Rocky Mountains of Colorado (Superior Oil). These were discovered where there had been no previous reports of diamonds being found.

## EXPLORATION FOR DIAMONDS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

One of the earliest reports of discovery of diamonds in British Columbia is recorded by C. Camsell, 1914. He reported a diamond identified in ultrabasic rocks of the Tulameen District* Since that time much has been learned and reported regarding the origin and occurrence of diamonds.

Exploration for diamonds in B.C. was stimulated by renewed interest in diamondiferous terrains and discovery of new diamondiferous kimberlitic breccia pipes elsewhere in North America, particularly with the Mountain diatreme Northwest Territories and the Sloan pipe in Colorado. Cominco began actively exploring for

* The diamond reported here was subsequently identified as spinel by S.E.M. analysis, by Arvid Lacis, U.B.C. (Fipke, personal comnunication).


#### Abstract

diamondiferous pipes in the B.C. - Alta Cordillera about 1976. Concurrently or subsequently other companies including Falconbridge, Superior Oil, Serem Dupont, Anaconda, Exxon, Amax and peripherally De Beers became active in exploration for diamonds in the cordillera. Junior companies including Petragem amd C.F.Minerals Research Ltd. also began active exploration for diamonds in B.C. at about this time.

During the past several years C.F.Minerals Research Ltd. has been actively conducting geological reconnaissance, heavy media stream sediment and rock geochemical surveys in the Rocky Mountains. This has lead to discovery of a number of kimberlite pipes including the Jack and Mark. The JACK and MARK claims were staked in 1980 and rock sampling and processing procedures outlined below proved the Jack and Mark kimberlite pipes to be diamondiferous. Dia Met Minerals Ltd. was formed as a vehicle to fund exploration to test economic viability of these pipes.


GEOLOGY

The regional geology of the area around the Mark property is shown on a compilation map prepared by R.A.Price from published and unpublished maps by a number of G.S.C. authors. Price, 1970. This map indicates that the Jack and Mark properties are underlain by similar bedded carbonate formations of Middle and Upper Cambrian to Ordovician age. In the Rogers Pass Map-Area, Wheeler describes these units as consisting mainly of limestones, limy slate intraformational limestone breccia, and dolomite. The relatively small kimberlitic distremes, however, do not appear on regional scale maps.

The geology of the Mark kimberlite diatreme and surrounding country rock requires detailed geologic mapping and bulk sampling


to determine nature and composition of the diatreme, its relationship to surrounding country rock, structure and economic significance.

The Mark kimberlite diatreme is one of a series in a north northwesterly trending belt of diatremes which crop out over a distance of 40 to 50 kilometres in the Rocky Mountains. Some of the pipes contain lithic mantle fragments, nodular chromite, magnetite and rounded serpentine autoliths and mineral grains and fragments of mantle origin. These traits classify the pipes as true kimberlites.

The Mark kimberlitic diatreme measures approximately 725 metres ( 2400 ft ) by 274 metres ( 900 ft ) and is estimated to cover approximately 10 hectares ( 25 acres). The northeast, southeast, southwest and west contacts are covered by glaciers or talus. About $2 / 3$ of this pipe breccia is situated in Banff Park on the Alberta side of the border. (C.Fipke personal communication)

## Mark Specimen

A specimen from Mark diatreme, examined by Northcote, is a weak shear foliated, high fragment to matrix ratio, carbonate-sericiterich breccia. Fragments in hand specimen range from less than lmm to several centimetres.

In thin section some fragments or crystal remnants show strong semi-opaque dusted margins in a very fine granular ( $<0.01 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) carbonate-sericite-rich matrix. The fragments are composed of fine granular ( $<.01 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) carbonate, coarser recrystallized (?) carbonate ( to 0.05 mm ), broken quartz grains ( $<.05$ to $>0.5 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) some with serrate margins, and fragments of mixtures of fine grained carbonate and quartz (chert) and/or sericite. There are elongate sericitized
crystal remnants or shredded sericite (to 0.3 mm ).

Superimposed on this breccia texture are irregular wispy generally discontinuous segregations or impregnations of fine granular ( $<.01$ to .05 mm ) quartz (chert) mixed with sericite and carbonate. Some sericitic partings are fairly continuous. These segregations follow weak shear foliation.

It should be noted that because of extreme dilution in kimberlitic diatremes and the small sampling area available in thin sections it would be most fortuitous and almost unbelievable to observe microdiamonds in random thin sections. Table II lists indicator minerals obtained from processing approximately 160 kg . ( 350 lbs ) of rock from the Mark diatreme which also yielded one microdiamond.

The structural controls for emplacement of the Mark kimberliic diatreme is presently not known. Fipke notes that a number $(+20)$ of kimberlitic diatremes elsewhere in the southern B.C.-Alta Cordillera have some spatial relationship to northeast and northnorthwest trending major fracture zones. The possible relationships between kimberlitic diatremes and these structures suggests that the great thickened mass of Rocky Mountain stratigraphy thrust on the cratonic basement during Late Jurassic to Teriary time caused basement subsidence and breakage on preexisting northeast and north-northwest basement structures. The breaks may have allowed kimberlite mantle derived magma, in several instances, to explosively penetrate the crust thickened by approximately 10 km ( 6 miles) of overthrust sediments. (Fipke, personal communication)'

Recent seismic data reported by Price, 1980, indicate that the crustal thickness north and east of Golden is the thickest in B.C., 50 to 55 km to the Mohorovicic discontinuity, and compares well with the Sloan area, Colorado. Because formation of diamonds requires a pressure of approximately 200 km depth the Sloan diamonds must have formed in the plastic mantle below 200 km depth even though the crust in the vicinity is 50 km thick. A similar situation is envisaged for the Mark diatreme.

EXPLORATION FOR DIAMONDS, MARK CLAIM

In order to determine the potential for presence of diamonds in the Mark pipe, one bulk sample of kimberlitic rock, weighing approximately 30 kg was collected from an outcrop. Dr. Paul Lurie, Falconbridge Metallurgical Laboratories, Thornhill, Ontario, subjected this sample to a series of treatments in order to separate indicator minerals (pyrope-garnet, ilmenite, chrome diopside, chromite) and microdiamonds.

The indicator minerals are separated by a combination of crushing, milling, heavy liquids and a variety of magnetic separations. These minerals are identified microscopically and compositions determined by microprobe. Separation and detection of microdiamonds requires a similar procedure coupled with acid digestion and fusion. The minerals surviving fusion are zircon and moissanite, which may be etched, and microdiamonds which are relatively unaffected. Microdiamonds are detected by optical properties and may be confirmed by scanning electron microscope.

Treatment of a 30 kg (701b) portion of a total of 160 kg ( 350 lbs ) of kimberlitic rock from outcrop produced the indicator minerals listed in Table II of favourabe composition for diamondiferous kimberlite. See Appendix A.
table II
INDICATOR MINERALS WITH COMPOSITIONS CONSISTENT WITH GENETIC RELATIONSHIP TO DIAMONDIFEROUS KIMBERLITE PIPES

| - | Garnet (Pyrope) | Ilmenite | Chromite» |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SAMPLE NO. |  | 1 | 13 |

* Chromite of this composition also found in alpine ultramafics ** Produced the microdiamond Figure 5 and 6.


## Microdiamonds

A single clear white microdiamond fragment weighing $15,820 \times 10^{-8}$ carats was found in 160 kg ( 350 lbs ) of rock tested. See Figures 5 and 6. The 30 kg ( 70 lbs ) portion that contained the microdiamond fragment contained diamondiferous kimberlite ilmenite and chromite indicator minerals. The microdiamond fragment came from the kimberlite pipe within the MARK claims on the B.C. side of the border. Discovery and authenticity of the Mark microdiamond are well documented by specialists in diamond exploration, the mineralogy and petrology of diamondiferous kimberlitic pipes. Notable among these investigators are Dr. Paul Lurie, S.W.Marsh of Falconbridge and Hugo Dummett of Superior Oil. Documentation of the Mark microdiamond by scanning electron microscope (SEM) and micrographs is found in company reports by Superior Oil and Falconbridge Nickel

Mines Limited. Although there is always some possibility of the Mark microdiamond being a laboratory contaminant this possibility is remote; nor is there reason to believe the microdiamond originated other than from the sample from which it is said to have been recovered.

As a further check on authenticity the Mark microdiamond was analyzed by SEM and micrographed by Arvid Lacis of Bacon and Donaldson and Associates Ltd. Vancouver, B.C. in the presence of Northcote. The resulting SEM micrographs, Figure 6 can be compared to SEM micrographs by Superior Oil, Figure 5. SEM chart, Appendix C shows no elements greater than atomic number 12. Optical properties, atomic number less than 12 indicate diamond, and micrographs indicate it is the same microdiamond described by Superior Oil-Falconbridge.

- CONCLUSIONS

The exposed portion of the Mark kimberlite diatreme is believed to be the upper portion of a kimberlitic diatreme breccia overlying a less diluted kimberlitic pipe.

Bulk sampling has proven the Mark kimberlitic diatreme to be diamondiferous. Treatment of about $30 \mathrm{~kg}(70 \mathrm{lbs})$ portion of a total of 160 kg ( 350 lbs ) of bulk sample produced, ilmenite and 13 chromites of composition consistent with diamondiferous kimberlite. More significantly this same 30 kg ( 70 lbs ) portion produced a clear microdiamond of $15,820 \times 10^{-8}$ carats .

It is noted that approximately $2 / 3$ of this kimberlitic diatreme is located in Banff Park on the Alberta side of the B.C.-Alta border
so that portion is not available for exploration or development.

The kimberlite diatreme is located where there is thickening of the earth's crust which is considered to be a condition favourable for diamond exploration.

The less diluted pipe below the collapse breccia is the structure in which diamonds may occur in sufficient quantity to constitute ore. The shape, size and precise location of this pipe must be determined.

The extremely high dilution of mantle material in diamondiferous kimberlitic breccia pipes and the nature of diamonds and indicator minerals limits exploration techniques for their detection to processing bulk samples on surface or in core drill holes. Some geophysical techniques may help define diatreme margins under talus.

Although the Mark kimberlite is diamondiferous there is presently insufficient geological information regarding nature of the kimberlitic breccia, its structural controls, and position of the underlying pipe relative to the B.C.-Alta border. Core drilling at this stage would be premature.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

A detailed geologic mapping program, say scale 1 to 1000 , is required to determine the nature of the kimberlitic breccia, its structural controls, relationship to country rock and in determining position of the main kimberlitic pipe with respect to the B.C.-Alta border.

Provision should be made for geophysical orientation surveys to assist in locating pipe or breccia boundaries under talus or glaciers.

Bulk samples of approximately 30 kg each should be taken, if logistically possible, on a fairly regular grid crossing the pipe in two or three lines. These samples should be processed for indicator minerals and microdiamonds. Lithologies should be carefully noted and a representative fragment retained for detailed petrographic studies.

Upon completion of this stage of the project these data should be reviewed by an independent specialist in evaluation of diamondiferous kimberlite pipes.

If the first stage indicates the main kimberlitic pipe is located on the MARK claims and gives positive indication of economic diamond concentration then a second core drilling stage should be considered.


APPENDIX A
MICROPROBE ANALYSES OF MARK (BM) MICRODIAMOND


BCJV' EXPLORATION
ID NUM GR GRN MIN SIO2
TIO2 AL2D3 CR2D3 FEO MND
.18:29 MONDAY. AUGUST 23. 1982
MGO CAO . NA2O K2O
TOTAL



Orientation A 140X


Orientation B 170X

118 Jack 1


170x


500x
\#9 BIf: Mark Lower Kest

Figure 5 SEM Micrographs of Microdiamonds
recovered from Jack and Big Mark Lower West pipes. The microdiamonds weigh $37,320 \times 10^{-8}$ and $15,820 \times 10^{-8}$ carats respectively.


Scale 100 u
Figure 6
MAPK MICRODIAMOND
Scanning Electron Microscope Micrograpl
Note partly removed gold film placed on mictodiamond to aid
in SFM ,nalyses
(4) "Mark" Claims

A single clear white small diamond fragment was found in 350 lbs . of rock tested. The 70 lb . portion of the sample that contained the fragment contained kimberlitic Ilmenites and chromites of very good compositions. It is not yet known whether or not the remainder of the samples contain diamond indicator minerals.

The Big Mark kimberlite pipe is at least 800 yds . long and at least 300 yds . wide. The NE, SE and West contacts are covered in glacier or talus. As about $2 / 3$ of the pipe is situated in Banff Park, the pipe could be at best an underground target.

The microdiamond fragment came from the British Columbia side

## FALCONBRIDGE LIMITED

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Thornhill, Ontartis, (.and. I. II I Wy


February 23, 1983

Mr. Chuck Fipke C. F. Mineral Research Ltd. 263 Lake Avenue Kelowna, British Columbia v1Y 5W6

Dear Chuck,
Enclosed please find the micro-diamonds extracted from the J.V. project samples, as you requested. The sample details are given in Table 1. I have attached a copy of a memo to Hugo Domett which presents SEM micrograph of the above RDs.

Please note that I have attached the MD to double-sided tape in the bottle lids, so open the lids carefully and if we are lucky the MD will still be there for easy removal. If not, they will be in the bottles. In addition, you will have to acid clean the MDs, as they were coated with gold for the SEM work.

## Yours sincerely,

FALCONBRIDGE LIMITED


PGL/seh
P.G. Lurie

Enclosures

## TARLE 1: Details of the MD Samples

| Sample Description | Bottle $\#$ | No. of <br> MDs | Approx. MD <br> Weight (carats $\times 10^{-8}$ ) | Bulk Sample <br> Weight (kgs) |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \# 18 Jack 1 | 4 |  | 1 | 37320 | 29.50 |
| \# Big Mark <br> Lower West | 5 |  | 1 | 15820 | 30.4 |



As requested, this memo presents the SEM micrograph of the diamonds

## from

 the British Columbia prospecting samples (Jack 1 and Big Mark Lower West).In some instances, different crystal orientations and higher magnifications were used to illustrate the diamond shapes and the surface features.

S.W. Marsh
 attach.


Orientation A 140X


Orientation B 170X

18 Jack 1


SEM Micrographs of Microdiamonds

## CERTIFICATE

I, STEPHEN C. GOWER, of Gower, Thompson and Associates Ltd., New Westminster, B. C., hereby certify that:

1. I am the President of Gower, Thompson and Associates Ltd.;
2. I am currently residing at 985 Gatensbury Street, Coquitlam, B. C.
3. I am a graduate of the University of British Columbia and hold a Bachelor of Science Degree (1970) in Geology. Subsequent to receiving my degree, I have practiced my profession for the last 13 years.
4. I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the properties discussed in the report, nor do I anticipate any such interest in DIA MET MINERALS LTD.
5. This report is based on a knowledge of the properties gained from a review of government-published data and material submitted by DIA MET.

Signed:


DATED at New Westminster, B. C., this
14
day of June, 1983.

## CERTIFICATE

I, Kenneth E. Northcote of 2346 Ashton Road, R.R.\#1, Agassiz B.C. do hereby certify that:

1] I have been practising as a professional geologist for a period of approximately 25 years for petroleum exploration companies, mining exploration and consulting companies, federal and provincial agencies.

2] I obtained a Ph.D in geology from U.B.C. in 1968 and qualified for registration with the Association of Professional Engineers of B.C. in 1967.

3] One day was spent on helicopter reconnaissance at the JACK and MARK claims in company with C.Fipke and S.C. Gower. Recent publications and data supplied by Dia Met Minerals Ltd and laboratory tests of microdiamonds from Jack and Mark kimberlitic diatremes form the basis for this report.

4] I have no interest either directly or indirectly in the properties or securities of Diam Met Minerals Ltd. nor do I expect to receive any.

5] I consent to use of this report in, or in connection with, a prospectus relating to the raising of funds.

Dated at Agassiz B.C. this $\qquad$ day of $\qquad$ 1983.


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APPENDIX B
DIAMONDS BY BRUTON


DIAMONDS

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APPENDIX C dOCUMENTATION

Scanning Electron Microscope Analyses shows no major constituents of atomic number greater than 12 .


APPENDIX D

RECORD OF MINERAL CLAIMS


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SUPPLEMENT TO ENGINEERING REPORT FOR MARK GROUP CLAIMS
C.E. Fipke \& R. Capell

## INTRODUCTION

Additional bulk rock sampling and stream sediment sampling and geologic mapping were implemented on the Mark Group claims subsequent to the fore going engineering report of Dr. K.E. Northcote.

## METHOLOGY AND RESULTS

1) Bulk Rock Sampling - As of June $20 / 84$ six additional $\pm 35 \mathrm{~kg}$ rock samples had been helicopter collected over and above the results of five rock samples reported in the previous assessment report. One of the six rock samples were processed as per Northcotes report at Falconbridge Metalurgical Laboratories. Two of the remaining five are being processed by Monopros Ltd. in South Africa. Two of the remaining five are being processed at the C.F.M. laboratory in Kelowna using crushing, pulverizing, ball milling, washing and wet sieving, TBE and MI heavy liquid separations, electromagnetic separations and acid digestions. The remaining sample is a variety of diatreme rock float from the Bill claim on the Upper Valencianness River. Kimberlite petrographer Barbara Scott Smith has select many of the differing float rock types for petragraphic studies. At the time of writing this report only the Falconbridge Metalurgical Lab. result is available. The sample contained a single microdiamond and is outlined in the report of K.E. Northcote.
2) Stream Sediment Sampling And Geologic Mapping - Two $\pm 10 \mathrm{~kg}$ samples ( $J 15 \& 17$ ) were collected in the Upper Valenciannes River. The stream sediment sample locations and the location of kimberlitic diatremes as geologic mapped by Dr. S.L. Blusson and C.E. Fipke is given as figure 1. Although the stream sediment samples have been processed as indicated in the statement of expenditures, the subsequent microscope work has not yet been completed.

## CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Subsequent microdiamond and indicator mineral results are needed to substanciate the favorable findings of the Falconbridge Laboratory. The petrographic findings will be useful in classifying the kimberlitic diatremes.
Statement of Exploration \& Development Mark Group Claims
Northcote, Gower and Thompson 'professional fees for completion of engineering report ..... $\$ 2,000.00$
Field and report compilation expenses of Northcote, Gower and Thompson including drafting etc. ..... $\$ 2,276.25$
Total helicopter and fuel cost to June 20,1983 ..... $\$ 1,500.00$
Bacon and Donalson S.E.M. analysis of microdiamonds $\$ 253.00$
Geologist C.E.Fipke's salary and expenses of Anacoṇda geologist trip April 13-15 ..... $\$ 629.11$
Freight of rock samples and thin sections Steve Bergman, Anaconda, Houston, Texas ..... \$ 23.31
Vancouver Petrographic costs ..... \$ 241.33
Total technical field salaries and benefits S.Emerson, Brent Carr, Paul Derkson, Mike Finney and Dan Tomelin ..... $\$ 610.00$
Total equipment rentals-camp gear, topofil, radios, chain saw ..... \$ 225.00
Total meals and food ..... $\$ 260.00$
Total hotels ..... $\$ 63.00$
Motorway freight of samples to Kelowna ..... $\$ \quad 57.00$
Total four wheel drive truck rental and taxis ..... $\$ 202.00$
Total gas and oil35.61
Total supplies-plastic bags, rock pails, batteries, gloves, topofil, propane etc. ..... 54.00
Long distance telephone to Anaconda, Houston, Texas Monopros, Kelowna etc. ..... 21.00
Services of R. Gersch, mountain climber ..... $\$ 300.00$
Professional salary geologist C.E.Fipke organization and field 14 days $0 \$ 350.00$ per day ..... $\$ 1050.00$

Sample processing 2 Mark bulk samples through multistage washing, sizing, specific gravity concentration; processing 2000 gms. $-20+35,2000 \mathrm{gms} .-35+60$ and all $-6-$ mesh through a TBE and a methylene iodide heavy liquid separations; processing the resultant heaviest fractions through 7 electromagnetic diamond indicator separations ( $\$ 88.50$ each
Drafting and copying costs \$ 68.00
Geologist writing copying organizing appendix 1 day $\$ 300.00$
$\$ 10,345.61$

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(1MD) 1 Microdiamond


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