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MT. SICKER PROPERTY

Victoria Mining Division

NTS 92 B/13
48° 59' N Lat. 123° 50' W Long.

Owner: Minnova Inc.

Operator: Minnova Inc.

Claims

Rocky Group

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GEOLOGICAL BRANCH ASSESSMENT REPORT

20,579

Minnova Inc. Vancouver, B.C.

G. S. Wells November 1990

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<u>Mt. Sicker Property</u>

1. Introduction

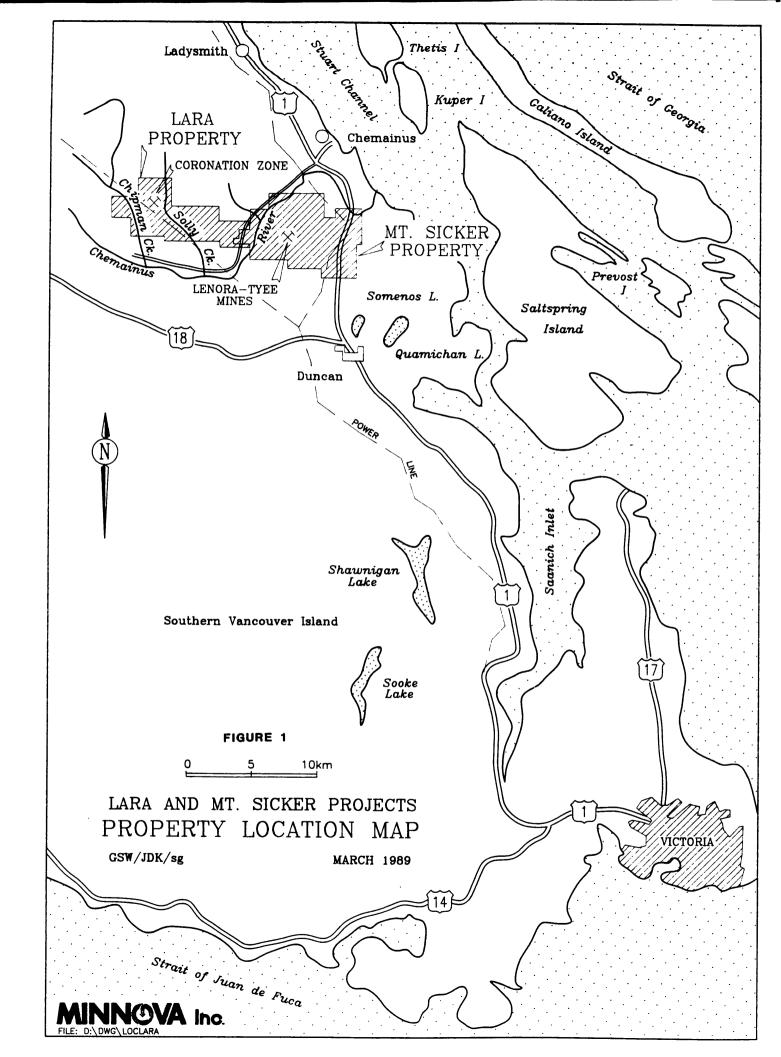
Minnova Inc. has acquired the mineral rights to claims in the Mt. Sicker area in order to evaluate the volcanogenic massive sulphide potential of the Sicker volcanics exposed on the property. This report describes the results of diamond drill hole MTS-92 which tested the down-dip potential of pyritic cherts and ashes in the Northeast Copper area. The work was done during the period May 3rd to 5th, 1990 by Frontier Drilling Ltd.

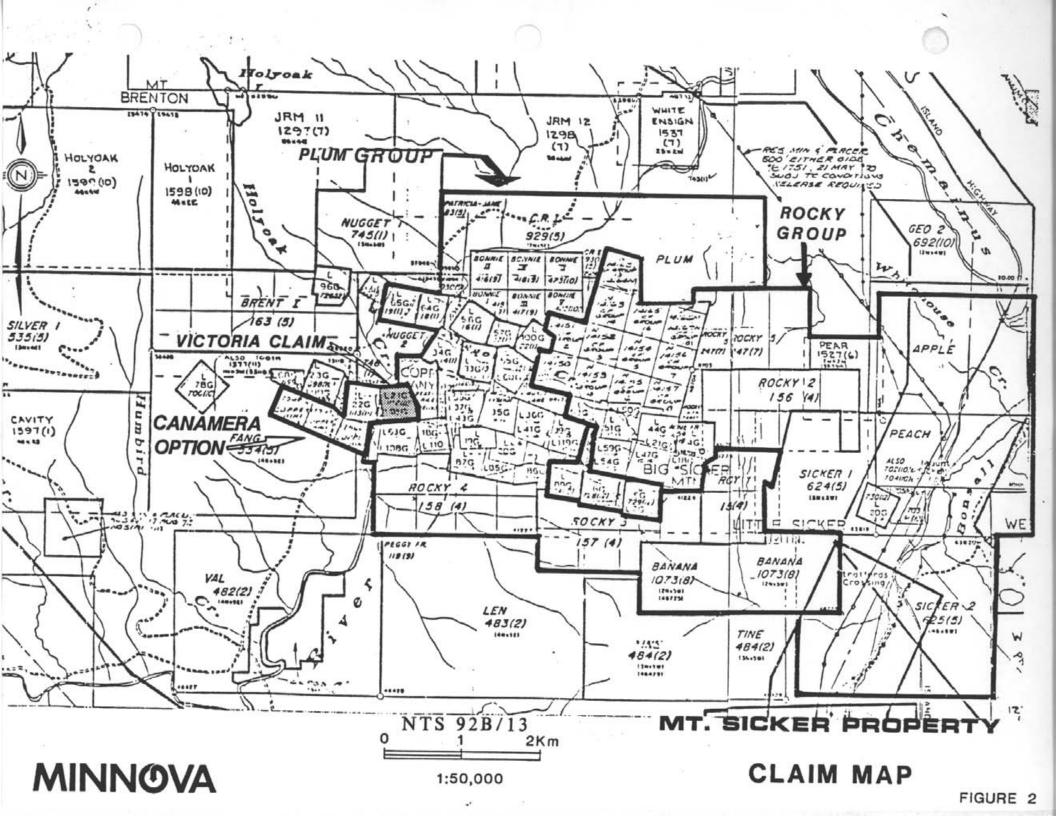
a. Location and Access

The Mt. Sicker property is located 40 km and 10 km north of Victoria and Duncan respectively (Figure 1). An extensive system of logging roads from the Island Highway provides excellent access to the property. Topographic relief is moderate with elevations ranging from 150 to 700 metres above sea level. Mt. Sicker is covered by a mixed forest of Douglas Fir, alder and cedar which has been selectively clear cut over the last ten years.

b. Mineral Rights

The drilling was carried out on the Rocky 2 claim which is part of the Rocky group (Figure 2). The claim status of the Rocky group is as follows:





ROCKY GROUP

<u>Claim</u>	No. of units	Record Number	Month of Record
Sicker 1	9	624	May
Rocky 2	8	156	April
Sicker 2	20	625	May
Rocky 5	6	247	July
Rocky 6 Fr.	1	248	July
Acme Fr.	1	254	August
CF Group 1	1	14150	October
CF Group 2	1	14151	October
CF Group 3	1	14152	October
CF Group 4	1	14153	October
CF Group 5	1	14154	October
CF Group 6	1	14155	October
CF Group 7	1	14156	October
CF Group 8	1	14157	October
CF Group 13	1	14162	October
CF Group 14	1	14163	October
CF Group 15	1	14164	October
CF Group 16	1	14165	October
CF Group 17	1	14166	October
CF Group 18	1	14167	October
Lawarance	1	730	December
Pear	4	1527	June
Peach	12	1623	January
Apple	12	1624	January
Acme MC	1	46	Crown Grant
Tony	1	18G	Crown Grant
Donagan	1	18G	Crown Grant
Dixie Fr.	1	21G	Crown Grant
Golden Rod MC	1	44G	Crown Grant
Nellena MC	1	47G	Crown Grant
Moline Fr. MC	1	50G	Crown Grant
Bluebell MC	1	51G	Crown Grant
Estelle MC	1	53G	Crown Grant
Westholme MC	1	54G	Crown Grant

c. <u>History</u>

Two former producers - the Lenora and Tyee mines occur on the Mt. Sicker property. These deposits were discovered in 1898 and were largely mined out by 1909, although they were worked periodically until 1947. A total of 300,000 tons of ore with an estimated grade of 3.3% Cu, 7.5% Zn, 2.75 oz/t Ag and 0.13 oz/t Au were recovered from these two mines. Recent exploration on the property has been done by Duncanex, Mt. Sicker Mines and Serem in the vicinity of the former mines and the Postuk-Fulton and NE Copper showings. Minnova Inc. (formerly Corporation Falconbridge Copper) has been actively exploring the property since 1983 using geological, geochemical and geophysical surveys and diamond drilling. All aspects of this continuing integrated program are aimed at discovering a polymetallic volcanogenic massive sulphide deposit.

2. Work Done

This report summarizes the results of diamond drill hole MTS-92 which was drilled to a depth of 172.5 m by Frontier Drilling Ltd. The hole is located on the Rocky 2 claim in the vicinity of the Northeast Copper showing (see Figure 3). The drill core is stored at 9398 Trans-Canada highway in Chemainus, B.C.

3. <u>Geology</u>

a. Regional Geology

The Mt. Sicker property is located in the Cowichan-Horne Lake uplift which is one of three fault-bounded areas that expose the Paleozoic Sicker Group on Vancouver Island. Müller (1980) subdivided the Sicker Group, as follows, in order of increasing age:

- 1. <u>Buttle Lake Formation</u> consists of recrystallized crinoidal limestone interbedded with calcareous siltstone and chert.
- 2. <u>Sediment Sill Unit</u> thinly bedded to massive argillite, siltstone and chert interlayered with diabase sills.
- 3. Myra Formation basic to rhyodacitic banded tuff breccia and lava with interbedded argillite, siltstone and chert.
- 4. <u>Nitinat Formation</u> basaltic lavas and agglomerates with minor to massive banded tuff layers.

Recent mapping by Massey (1988) has resulted in the following revised nomenclature and stratigraphy of the Sicker Group.

Müller (1980)

Massey (1988)

Cretaceous sediments of the Nanaimo Group unconformably overly the Sicker Group. The contact is commonly marked by a basal conglomerate containing volcanic fragments derived from the Sicker Group.

The structure of the Sicker Group is characterized by southwest verging, asymmetric and vertical, open and isoclinal folds. (Müller, 1980). West-northwest and northeast trending faults dissect the Sicker group in the Cowichan-Horne Lake uplift into a number of fault blocks. Movement along these faults is interpreted to have been mostly Tertiary in age.

b. Geology of the Mt. Sicker Property

The Mt. Sicker property is underlain by Sicker group volcanic rocks, Nanaimo group sediments and dioritic intrusions of possible Triassic age. (Figure 3). The Sicker Group can be subdivided into the McLaughlin Ridge and Nitinat formations. The

McLaughlin Ridge formation consists of thick units of felsic pyroclastic and flow units with minor ash, argillite and chert. The Lenora - Tyee massive sulphide deposit is hosted in McLaughlin Ridge formation quartz - eye crystal tuffs and is intimately associated with argillaceous sediments. The Lenora-Tyee deposits are considered to be the stratigraphic equivalent of Westmin's Myra-Lynx deposits at Buttle Lake.

The Nitinat formation is restricted to the east end of the property and is well exposed along the Island Highway. The formation consists of epidotized pyroxene and/or plagioclase porphyritic andesite flows and flow breccias.

The structure of the Mt. Sicker property is dominated by a large, asymmetric, west-northwesterly trending, shallow west-plunging anticline. The fold axis is interpreted to lie 300 meters north of the Lenora-Tyee deposits. The axial plane of the anticline is reflected by a pervasive moderately to intensely developed, vertically dipping foliation.

Numerous mineralized occurrences are present on the Mt. Sicker property. Most showings consist of disseminated and stringer pyrite zones but bedded, baritic, polymetallic massive sulphides are found at the former Lenora-Tyee mines. In the Northeast Copper area there is abundant chalcopyrite-pyrite stringer mineralization hosted in chloritic andesitic tuffs that underly pyritic chert horizons.

4. <u>Diamond Drill Results</u>

The Northeast Copper area is considered as an ideal area for the ocurrence of volcanogenic massive sulphides due to the presence of chalcopyrite-pyrite stringers which are a reflection of a metal-rich hydrothermal system and well-bedded pyritic cherts which mark a break in the volcanic activity during which time massive sulphides could accumulate. The chert horizons dip at a shallow angle (30°) to the north-northeast and hole MTS-92 was

drilled to test their down-dip potential. Although chert was exposed less than five meters south of the collar, MTS-92 was drilled entirely in diorite or felsic dikes. Except for a thin chalcopyrite-bearing quartz vein in the diorite no zones of significant mineralization were intersected in drill hole MTS-92.

5. Conclusions

Hole MTS-92 intersected a thick diorite-felsic dike sequence which has cut-off the shallow, down-dip potential of chalcopyrite-pyrite stringers and chert horizons in the Northeast The diorite dikes on Mt. Sicker dilate the Sicker Copper area. volcanic sequence, so further deep drilling is required to fully evaluate the extent and significance of stringer mineralization and chert horizons exposed in the Northeast Copper area.

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6. <u>Itemized Cost Statement</u>

Rocky 2 claim Diamond Drill Holes MTS-92	filed for	\$9,429.13
Hole MTS-92 Contractor Costs (see attached in P. Baxter: 3 days @ \$300/day Truck: 3 days @ \$50/day Food/Housing: 3 man days @ \$40/day	·	\$ 8259.13 900.00 150.00 120.00
Total		\$ 9,429.13

7. References

- Müller, J. E., 1980: The Paleozoic Sicker Group of Vancouver Island, B.C., GSC Paper, 79-30.
- Massey, N. W. D., Friday, S. J., 1988: Geology of the Chemainus River Duncan Area, Van. Island, pp. 81-92 in Geological Field Work 1987, BCDM Paper.

8. Statement of Qualifications

- I, Gary S. Wells, hereby certify that:
- 1. I hold an Honours Bachelor of Science degree in combined geology and chemistry (1975) from Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario and a Ph.D degree in geology (1980) from Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario.
- I am an associate member of the Geological Association of Canada and a member of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy.
- 3. I have practised my profession in exploration continuously since graduation in 1980.

Date: November 14, 1990

Gary S. Wells Vancouver, B.C.

Statement of Qualifications of Field Personnel

Paul Baxter:

B.Sc. (Geology) 1985, University of Alberta

2 years full-time experience in mineral exploration

3 years part-time experience in mineral exploration

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c/o Minnova Inc. 3rd Floor - 311 Water St.

Vancouver, B.C. Phone: 681-3771

Appendix I Drill Log - MTS-92 MINNOVA INC.

DRILL HOLE RECORD COLLAR DIP: -90° 0' 0" PLOTTING COORDS GRID: MTS ALTERNATE COORDS GRID: PROJECT NAME: SIC PROJECT NUMBER: 205 113.00s LENGTH OF THE HOLE: 172.50m

NORTH: 0+ 0 NORTH: CLAIM NUMBER: ROCKY 2 EAST: 2500.00E EAST: 0+ 0 START DEPTH: 0.00m LOCATION: NTS 92 B/13 ELEV: 535.00 0.00 FINAL DEPTH: 172.50m ELEV:

COLLAR GRID AZIMUTH: COLLAR ASTRONOMIC AZIMUTH:

CONTRACTOR: FRONTIER DRILLING LTD. DATE STARTED: May 3, 1990 COLLAR SURVEY: NO PULSE EM SURVEY: NO

DATE COMPLETED: 5, 1990 MULTISHOT SURVEY: NO PLUGGED: NO CASING: 3.0m May HOLE SIZE: NO CORE STORAGE: CHEMAINUS DATE LOGGED: ROD LOG: NO

PURPOSE: TEST THE DOWN-DIP EXTENT OF THE NE COPPER PYRITIC CHERTS

DIRECTIONAL DATA:

HOLE NUMBER: MTS-92

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163.40	•	۰90° 0	ACID	OK		-	-	•	-	-	
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IMPERIAL UNITS:

METRIC UNITS: X

MINNOVA INC. DRILL HOLE RECORD

HOLE NUMBER: MTS-92

FROM TO	ROCK Type	TEXTURE AND STRUCTURE	ANGLE TO CA	ALTERATION	MINERALIZATION	REMARKS
0.00 TO 3.00	«OB»					
3.00 TO	«DIORITE»					
102.30		Colour: speckled white and med. green Grain Size: medium to coarse Massive, equigranular diorite; strong surface oxidation along fracture surfaces to 133 m; very rubbly core with strong surface oxidation from 8.5 -18.9 and 55.2-80.5				
		-moderate to strongly magnetic from dissem. magnetite				
		74.6-94.6 -strong milled and sheared texture; strongly calcareous, irregular quartz clasts (qtz diorite)		88.0-88.5	88.0-88.5	
		shearing 78.4 83.0 90.2 93.7	38 10 0 0	-vuggy quartz vein	-20-25% brassy pyrite, <1-1% chalco- pyrite intergrowth with pyrite	
102.30 TO	«F DYKE»					
150.90		Colour: light to med. grey Grain Size: fine Massive, fine grained, grey, siliceous material with green sericite/chlorite intergrowth; near margins green sericite/chlorite groundmass with fine grained, grey siliceous patches and grains; strongly magnetic -indistinct uppper and lower contacts		106.05-106.35 -3 cm wide qtz vein at 15 deg to core axis with 50% pyrite and 3-4% chalcopyrite		Similar to unit in hole MTS-85 which was logged as a lithic Tuff/Dyke?
150.90 TO	«DIORITE»					
172.90		Colour: speckled white green Grain Size: medium Massive, equigranular diorite; weak - mod magnetic sheared, calcareous, finer upper margin-coarser grained downhole				

DATE: 13-November-1990

MINNOVA INC. DRILL HOLE RECORD HOLE NUMBER: MTS-92

FROM TO	ROCK TYPE	TEXTURE AND STRUCTURE	ANGLE TO CA	ALTERATION	MINERALIZATION	REMARKS
	E.O.H.					

DATE: 13-November-1990

Appendix II <u>Diamond Drilling Invoices</u>

FRONTIER DRILLING (1989) LTD.

19644 33A Ave.

Langley, B.C. V3A 7X1

Phone: 604-530-4100

INVOICE DATE May 22, 1990

INVOICE NUMBER 9001-2

JOB 9001-Mt. Sicker

LOCATION Duncan, B.C.

IN ACCOUNT WITH

Minnova Inv.

4th Floor, 311 Water St.

Vancouver, B.C. V6B 1B8

Phone: 681-3771

DUE JUNE 7, 1990

TOTAL INVOICE

PAGE ONE: DRILL FOOTAGE CHARGES

PAGE THREE: SUPPLIES AND SERVICES

PAGE TWO: FIELD COST CHARGES

NOTIFICATION MUST BE MADE WITHIN 7 DAUS OF INVOICE DATE IF THERE IS DISAGREEMENT WITH INVOICE CALCULATIONS.

\$37,854.88

\$ 6,092.00

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\$50,270,88 97

70580-600-205-\$42,521.64 70580-600-242-\$7,749.33

DRILL FOOTAGE CHARGES

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	92	0	10	10	10	566	556	
	93	0	10	10	10	236	226	
,	94	0	30	30	30	282	252	
	95	0	40	40	40	442	402	
LARA 2	78	0	20	20 -	20	537	517	
				132'			2625'	
		-						
CASING	132	' ÷ 3.28 =	40.2 met	res X \$47	.00 = \$	1,889.40		
CORING	2625	' ÷ 3.28 ×	-800.3 met	res X \$44	.94 = \$ 3	5,965.48		
				AGE CHARG	637 85	. 98		

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FIELD COST CHARGES

DATE	SHIFT	MAN	DRILL	DRILL HOURS	TRACTOR	TRAVEL	MISC.
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MAN HRS	106 hrs. X \$26.00	= \$2.756.00 TRACTOR HRS.	29 hrs. X \$60.00 = \$1,740.00	
DRILL HRS.	42 hrs. X \$38.00	= \$1,596.00 DRILL HRS.N/0		
TRAVEL TIM	E	MISC.	<u> </u>	
			TOTAL \$6,092.00	

PAGE THREE

SUPPLIES AND SERVICES

14 pls.Pac-Vis polymer @ \$96.00		\$1,344.00	
1 Pail DD-2000 Polymer @ \$132.40 -		132.40	
34 Pails bags Ouik-Gel @ \$9.70		329.80	
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DRILL BITS CHARGED:			. :
1 NQ core bit-drilling sand and cave @ \$465.00		\$ 465.00	_⁄
50% of 1 NQ reamer shell-hole stabilizing-@ \$332.00		166.00	V 0.K
1 - 2.15/16" tricone-advancing fault-@ \$247.50		247.50	_/
	TOTAL	\$ 878.50	
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OTHER DIAMOND PRODUCTS:			
5 MT casing shoes @ \$133.30		\$ 666.50	
4 'NQ drill rods-wrecked in tight ground - \$122.40		489.60	_0ж
	TOTAL	\$1,156.10	
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DRILLING TOOLS LOST OR DAMAGED:	•		
18 10' NW casing @ \$124.66		\$2,243.88	
1 - 2' NW casing @ \$41.66		41.66	_
5 NW casing caps @ \$39.55		197.75	
,	TOTAL	\$2,483.29	_
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MISC.:			
COREBOXES:			
FUEL			_
RENTALS			
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TOTAL SUPPLIES AND SERVICES

\$6.324.09

