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Although no mining development can take place until approvals have been obtained from the federal and provincial governments, engineering work is continuing in order to complete a final feasibility study. The British Columbia Government announced recently that an inquiry will be held in 1979 to establish guidelines for uranium mining in the province and that no mining will proceed until this inquiry has been completed.

Environmental studies, initiated early in the program, are continuing and will result in a final environmental assessment report late in 1979. The object of this work in conjunction with the engineering studies is to ensure that an economic project can be developed that will be safe for the inhabitants of the area, the employees and the environment in general.

Participants in the Blizzard project are Norcen Energy Resources,

E & B Explorations Ltd. (on behalf of Sedimex KG), Lacana Mining Corporation,

Campbell Chibougamau Mines Ltd. and Ontario Hydro. The property was originally optioned from Lacana Mining Corporation in 1976.

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