The underground drilling programme was designed to "make or break" the Brisco barite deposit. It appears quite conclusively to "break" the deposit as far as the present mine workings are concerned.

At the southernmost end of the deposit seven holes were drilling from the crosscut to intersect any vein $100^{\prime}$ and 200' ahead of the present advance and any vein offset possibly to the west. No significant barite was intersected in any of these holes, values being limited to stringers.

At the end of the decline two holes were put down to test the extension of the vein in the back, at depth, and along strike. At depth the drilling indicated that the vein broke up within $30^{\prime}$ vertically and was not encountered $3 n^{\prime}$ along strike. This limits the volume below the decline to approximately 1,000 tons in a small pod which is poorly placed for exploitation. Three additional holes were drilled along strike to locate any northern extension which might tie in with the pod of ore found in the creek to the northwest.

One hole intersected a good width (13') of low grade (3.99) but this was not backed up by the hole above or by the hole to the north. Consequently the presence of another small pod of approximately 1,500 tons is inferred. This concept is in keeping with the ore found on the upper adit level where a series nf ponds were mined out. It appears that the vein at its northern end becomes broken up into pods. The definition of such small size pods by diamond driving is uneconomic.

## Mining Recommendations

It is considered to be impractical to remove the pod below the decline level. This leaves the back along the drift from the foot of the decline which contains an indeterminate amount of ore (in the order of 1,000 tons).

There is no other ore in the present Brisco mine which is economically recoverable. Consequently, it is recommended that an orderly withdrawal from the mine be started.

## Future Exploration

It is apparent from the recent underground drilling that the barite zone has a certain amount of graphite associated closely with it. Graphite is a conductive material with electromagnetic responses similar to a sulphide ore body. Because of its association the graphite can be used as a tracer for barite and the major fault zone of the area. While locating the graphitic horizon will not in itself indicate the presence of barite, it will identify target zones and provide inform: on the depth of such zones.

It is recommended that the following programme be instituted.

1. Line cutting over all the Crisco claims (5) with a $N-S$ base line and $E-W$ tie lines. This will provide a good base for future work. It is estimated that 24 miles of 1 ne will be required.
2. Conduct a magnetic survey on these grid lines. This will provide stratigraphic information and will help locate faults, etc.
3. Conduct a continuous E.M. survey over the area to identify the conductive/ graphitic zone. Costing and time requirements for $1-3$ are currently under investigation.

If suitable targets are outlined a surface drill should be brought in as soon as practical to explore these zones.

DRIILING REPORT
The dianond drill programe conducted at Brisco was designed to explore the potential of a series of outcrops of barite lying to the east and northeast of the main mine zone. Structurally this area is controlled by a major fault zone in which the barite veins sit, as partial replacement. This zone may be an offset continuation of the mine zone displaced dextrally by a crossfault. However, there is no surface indication of this faulting.

Because of the topography access to the site is limited, consequently a fan of holes was drilled from one set up close to the Templeton River. Intersected barite widths were corrected for azimuth variation by a series of charts. The indicated structure of the area is that of a steeply dipping ( $-75^{\circ}$ west) body some 2 m . thick which flattens and widens to a maximum of approximately 5 m . before being terminated by the fault zone hanging wall. To the north, along strike the body is terminated by another cross fault within $15 \mathrm{~m} .\left(\simeq 50^{\prime}\right)$ and to the south it thins and disappears within 30 m . (100').

Holes $\frac{\#}{\pi} 6$ \& 7 drilled to intersect an apparent continuation of the vein to the south failed to cut any barite indicating that this vein pinches out and is not connected to the vein in the river bed.

The mineral inventory which could be inferred from the drilling is limited to approximately 3,000 tonnes grading 4.27 located in the immediate creek bed area.

Because of the thick overburden contained in these holes, no attempt was made to penetrate the rocks in the mine portal area to determine if there is any connection between the river bed zone and the main mine zone.

The drill logs, sections and an ore reserve calculation are enclosed.

MINERAL INVENTORY


This tonnage lies in a zone approximately 13 m . long $2-5 \mathrm{~m}$. wide and up to 20 m . below creek level.


## Samples

Core broken to 3 cm . lengths. Alternate pieces sampled.

| No. | From | To | Length | S.G. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 5493 | 25.30 | 26.82 |  | 1.52 |
|  |  | 4.13 |  |  |
| 5494 | 26.82 | 28.36 |  | 1.54 |
| 5495 | 28.36 | 29.87 |  | 1.51 |
| 5496 | 29.87 | 32.78 |  | 0.91 |
|  |  |  | 4.35 |  |
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| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5497 | 26.52 | 28.04 | 1.52 | 3.50 |
| 5498 | 28.04 | 29.72 | 1.68 | 3.74 |
| 5499 | 29.72 | 30.63 | 0.91 | 2.91 |
| 5500 | 30.63 | 31.55 | 0.92 | 4.34 |








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