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400,000 Common Shares

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All of the properties in which the Issuer has an interest are in the exploration and development stage only and are without a known body of commercial ore. No survey of any of the properties of the Issuer save and except for a portion of the Northern Belle Property has been made and therefore in accordance with the laws of the jurisdiction in which the properties are situate, their existence and area could be in doubt. See also heading "Risk Factors".

Upon completion of this offering (excluding the exercise of the Agent's Warrants and Greenshoe Option) this issue will represent 24.2% of the shares then outstanding as compared to 70.3% that will then be owned by the controlling persons, promoters, directors and senior officers of the issuer and associates of the agent. Refer to the heading "Principal Holders of Securities" herein for details of shares held by directors, promoters and controlling persons and associates of the foregoing.

Certain employees of the agent, as defined in Local Policy 3-30 of the Superintendent of Brokers, and their associates have purchased shares of the Issuer at the non-reporting stage. Reference is made to the section captioned "Principal Holders of Securities".

One or more of the directors of the Issuer may in the future have an interest, direct or indirect, in other natural resource companies. Reference should be made to the heading "Directors & Officers" herein for a comment as to the resolution of possible conflicts of interest.

No person is authorized by the Issuer to provide any information or to make any representation other than those contained in this Prospectus in connection with the issue and sale of the securities offered by the Issuer.

This Prospectus also qualifies the granting of the Warrant and Greenshoe Option to the Agent and the sale to the public, at the market price for the shares of the Issuer at the time of sale, any shares of the Issuer which the Agent may acquire pursuant to the Agent's Warrant. Reference should be made to the heading "Plan of Distribution".

We, as Agent, conditionally offer these securities subject to prior sale, if, as and when issued by the Issuer and accepted by us in accordance with the conditions contained in the Agency Agreement referred to under "Plan of Distribution" of this Prospectus and subject to the approval of certain legal matters on behalf of the Issuer by Lawrence & Shaw, Vancouver, British Columbia.

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SOIL AND ROCK GEOCHEMICAL AND GEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATION NORTHERN BELLE CLAIM GROUP

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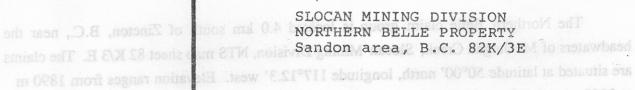
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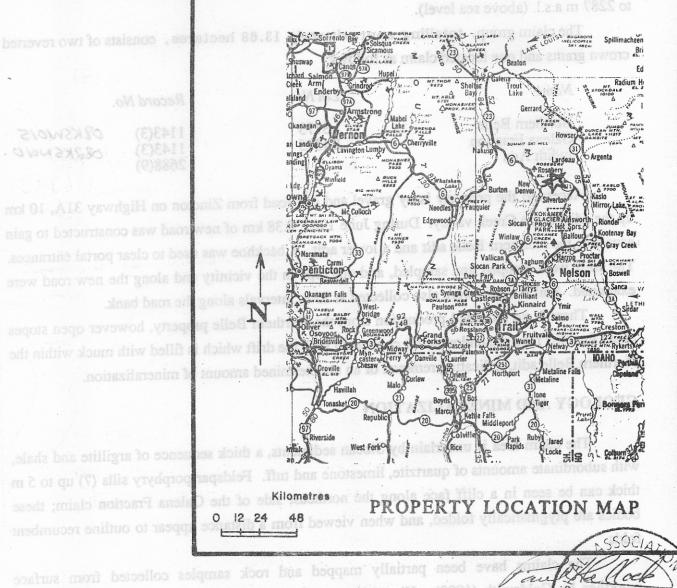
SOIL AND ROCK GEOCHEMICAL AND GEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATION NORTHERN BELLE CLAIM GROUP MOUNT PAYNE SLOCAN MINING DIVISION SANDON, B.C.

SUMMARY

Road construction and portal excavation at two adits on the Northern Belle mineral claims have permitted access for underground mapping and sampling. The claims lie 4 km south of Zincton, B.C. Lead, zinc, and silver mineralization is hosted in two northeasterly trending, southerly dipping lodes which contain quartz veins.

A programme of diamond drilling is recommended to test the downward extension of both veins. The initial drilling phase will require an expenditure of \$70,200.





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INTRODUCTION

The Northern Belle claim group is located 4.0 km south of Zincton, B.C., near the headwaters of McGuigan Creek, Slocan Mining Division, NTS map sheet 82 K/3 E. The claims are situated at latitude 50°00' north, longitude 117°12.3' west. Elevation ranges from 1890 m to 2287 m a.s.l. (above sea level).

The claim group, totalling approximately 13.68 hectares, consists of two reverted crown grants and one located claim as follows:

Name	Lot No.	Record No.
Northern Belle Galena Fraction Judith Ann	L3173 L4895	1143(3) 08KSW015 1143(3) 082KSW010. 2688(9)

Access to the property is by gravel and dirt road from Zincton on Highway 31A, 10 km up the McGuigan Creek valley. During June 1987, 0.38 km of new road was constructed to gain access to the Northern Belle adit and a lower adit. A backhoe was used to clear portal entrances. The adits were mapped and sampled, and outcrops in the vicinity and along the new road were examined. Soil samples were also collected at 25 m intervals along the road bank.

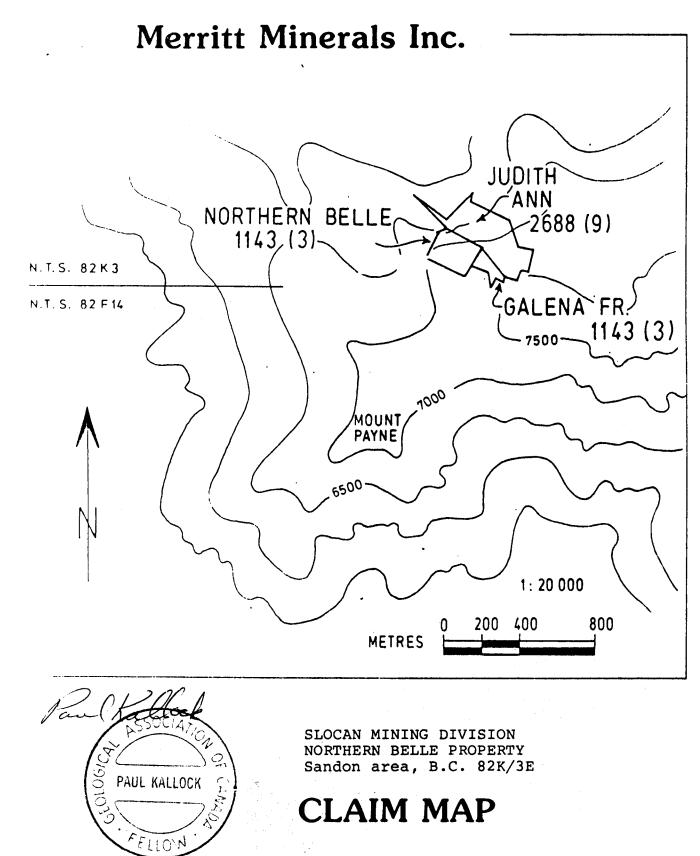
There is no recorded production from the Northern Belle property, however open stopes along the cliff face are undoubtedly connected with the drift which is filled with muck within the Northern Belle adit, indicating removal of an undetermined amount of mineralization.

GEOLOGY AND MINERALIZATION

The claim area is underlain by Slocan sediments, a thick sequence of argillite and shale, with subordinate amounts of quartzite, limestone and tuff. Feldspar porphyry sills (?) up to 5 m thick can be seen in a cliff face along the northeast side of the Galena Fraction claim; these bodies are ptygmatically folded, and when viewed from a distance appear to outline recumbent folds.

The claims have been partially mapped and rock samples collected from surface workings by Goldsmith (1983). His map, at a scale of 1:2500, has been reproduced and is included in the pocket of this report.

During June 1987, a road was constructed to gain access to the Northern Belle adit. Ten metres of excavation at the portal entrance was required to open the adit. On June 27, 1987, the adit was entered and rock chip samples collected from the vein and walls at 5 m intervals between the the portal and the muck-filled drift which blocks the adit at 22.5 m.



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Outside the portal, southwest-dipping argillite hosts a fine-grained granite sill (?) which contains 0.5% pyrite. The Northern Belle vein is exposed at the portal and shows abundant limonite boxwork structures with 1% galena. The vein is strongly oxidized and most sulphides have been leached. Quartz is broken and crumbly and is approximately 0.10 m wide. The vein trends N51°E 56°S. Immediately inside the portal an overhand stope rising 3.5 m is present. Beyond the stope, at 4.0 m in the drift, the vein attitude decreases to a 38° dip. Between 10.0 and 22.0 m the vein again steepens to 56° and varies in width from 0.03 to 0.10 m. Total sulphide content varies from a trace to 2%. Near 20.0 m the vein is split into several quartz veinlets which lie within the footwall. The main vein is approximately 0.10 m wide. At 22.5 m, where a muck pile blocks the drift, the vein is only 0.03 m wide and shows no sulphides.

Above the adit, 15 m of open stopes are present in the steep northwest-facing cliff. The vein was not seen but the stope trends N55°E 45°S. Argillite with abundant interbedded limestone trends N25°W 45°W in the stope area. Cross-bedding in the calcareous sediments indicates that tops face upwards.

Thirty metres northwest of the Northern Belle adit another adit was opened with the backhoe. The excavation showed that the adit was only slightly more than 5.0 m long. Soft friable shale and a light tan fine-grained granite are present. Although the rock was intensely fractured and weathered, a northeast-trending fault zone was seen which contained abundant clay and minor quartz and limonite.

Twenty-seven metres northeast of the lower adit and on strike with the mapped fault zone is located an inclined shaft which shows quartz-sulphide vein mineralization trending approximately N40°E 40°S.

ROCK CHIP SAMPLING - NORTHERN BELLE ADIT

Thirteen rock chip samples were collected from the Northern Belle adit beginning at the portal and extending at 5 m intervals to the muck blockage at 22.5 m. Sample locations and results are plotted on the 1:1000 scale plan map included in the pocket of this report.

Silver values in the drift range from 2.62 to 6.19 oz Ag/ton. Lead shows highest concentration near the portal where the short overhand stope has been excavated. At 0+05 m the 0.10 m wide vein carries 7.23% lead. The remainder of the drift contains less than 0.3% lead. Zinc values in the adit range from 14.4% at the portal to 6.72% at 0+10 m. Gold content of the vein varies from 0.006 to 0.016 oz Au/ton.

Hangingwall and footwall rock chip samples were also collected adjacent to the vein samples. The most notable wallrock values occur at 0.20 m where a 1.0 m wide chip sample of the footwall contained 1.25 oz Ag/ton, 0.03% Pb, 2.53% Zn, and 0.014 oz Au/ton.

SOIL GEOCHEMICAL SAMPLING - DOZER ACCESS ROAD

From the upper bank of the 380 m of the dozer access road built in June 1987, 14 soil samples were collected. Depth of soil retrieval below surface varied from 0.3 m to 1.5 m and was generally at the "C" soil horizon. Soil movement is downslope to the west and southwest. Slope inclination varies from 15° to 25°.

Geochemical analyses for lead, zinc and silver were carried out by Chemex Labs of North Vancouver, B.C. Results and analytical procedures are included in the Appendix. Soil sample locations are plotted on the 1:1000 scale plan map in the pocket of this report.

Extensive soil sampling in argillite terrain in the immediate vicinity has established the following statistical levels of silver, lead and zinc (Goldsmith, 1983).

	Background	Threshold	Anomalous
ppm Ag	-2.3	2.3-4.9	+4.9
ppm Pb	-38	38-150	+150
ppm Zn	Mixed population	on	+980

Silver, lead and zinc are anomalous at station 2+75 where 41.0 ppm Ag, 740 ppm Pb, and 1640 ppm Zn were detected. It is unlikely that soil contamination from the adit dumps would have reached this area. Outcrops exposed in the road bank near station 2+75 include granitic dykes or sills which have intruded argillite. Locally, quartz and limonite are present.

CONCLUSIONS

Two separate, parallel mineralized structures are present on the Northern Belle mineral claim. An adit on the upper vein shows quartz-limonite-galena mineralization along 20 m of drifting. Assays of up to 6.19 oz Ag/ton across 0.10 m were obtained from recent sampling. Values up to 7.23% Pb and 14.4% zinc were also returned from various portions of the vein. The vein also carries gold values up to 0.016 oz/ton. Furthermore, two other samples carried 0.014 oz Au/ton in 1.0 m samples of the footwall.

The adit is blocked 22.5 m from the portal by muck and debris from stopes in the cliff face at surface. Samples of the dump material from this stope area have been found to contain

up to 10.38 oz Ag/ton (Goldsmith, 1983). It is expected that similar vein material may occur in the Northern Belle vein below the present adit level, or as a northeast extension of the stope area. Diamond drilling from surface may be more informative and economical than clearing the drift of accumulated muck and debris.

The lower or second vein structure at the Northern Belle lies parallel to and 30 m northwest of the main vein. An adit was opened on this vein and a sample of broken, heavily oxidized material contained 1.19 oz Ag/ton, 0.29% Pb, 1.04% Zn, and 0.008 oz Au/ton. The adit was found to be only slightly longer than 5 m. An inclined shaft is located 27.0 m northeast of the lower adit. The vein at this point was found to contain up to 13.36 oz Ag/ton, 13.90% Pb, 0.40% Zn, and 0.020 oz Au/ton across 0.6 m (Goldsmith, 1983).

Soil sampling in the new access road has revealed anomalous concentrations of lead, zinc and silver. Residual soil development over sulphide mineralization is suggested.

At this time, two ore controls are suggested from the geological mapping. A local, shallow dip of the vein is favourable. Near the portal of the upper vein at the short overhand stope and at the open stope on the cliff face dips of 38° and 45° are found, whereas elsewhere in the adit a 56° dip is present. Secondly, an abundance of limestone and limy argillite is present in the open stope cliff area. Either the brittle nature or chemical characteristics of the limestone may account for increased amounts and widths of sulphide deposition.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Diamond drilling of both veins is recommended as the next phase of exploration at the Northern Belle. Drill holes should be collared southeast of the main vein adit and be directed at a moderate dip to the northwest to intersect the main vein below the stope area of the main adit. The holes should intersect the vein at approximately 20 m length. Coring should continue to a length of approximately 100 m to intersect the lower vein below the short inclined shaft. Shorter vertical holes from the same drill site could test the main vein only. A fence of three drill stations spaced 20 m apart would be required for the initial programme. A total of 400 m (1310 ft) of core drilling will be required.

Approximately 200 m of drill access road plus drill site levelling will require a small bulldozer. To get water for drilling, several pumps and/or intermediate sumps may be needed to reach the nearest creek.

All core should be logged. Mineralized sections and their adjacent wallrock should be split and assayed for Pb, Zn, Ag and Au.

COST ESTIMATE

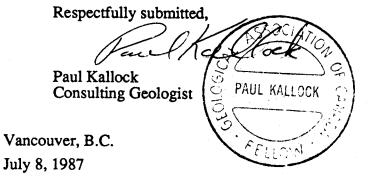
Phase 1 - Diamond drilling

Dozer road and drill site construction	\$ 2,500	
Diamond drilling, 400 m @ \$100/m	40,000	
Geological support	\$7,000	
Assays	800	
Room and board	1,200	
Transportation	1,000	
Supplies	500	
Engineering and supervision	2,000	
Reporting	3,500	
	58,500	
Contingencies @ 20%	<u> 11,700 </u>	
Total, Phase 1	70,200	\$ 70,200

Phase 2

Underground exploration, allow	\$200,000
Total, Phases 1 and 2	\$270,200.

Results of Phase 1 should be compiled into an engineering report; continuance to Phase 2 should be contingent upon favourable conclusions and recommendations from an Engineer.

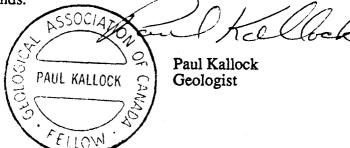


GEOLOGIST'S CERTIFICATE PAUL KALLOCK

I, Paul Kallock, do state: that I am a Geologist with Arctex Engineering Services, 301 - 1855 Balsam Street, Vancouver, B.C.

I Further State That:

- 1. I have a B.Sc. degree in Geology from Washington State University, 1970. I am a Fellow of the Geological Association of Canada.
- 2. I have engaged in mineral exploration since 1970, both for major mining and exploration companies and as an independent geologist.
- 3. I have authored the report entitled, "Soil and Rock Geochemical and Geological Investigation, Northern Belle Claim Group, Mount Payne, Slocan Mining Division, Sandon, B.C." The report is based on my fieldwork carried out on the property and on previously accumulated geologic data.
- 4. I have no direct or indirect interest in any manner in either the property or securities of Merritt Minerals Inc., or its affiliates, nor do I anticipate to receive any such interest.
- 5. I consent to the use of this report in a prospectus, or in a statement of material facts related to the raising of funds.



Vancouver, B.C. July 10, 1987

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APPENDIX

Gold F.A.-A.A. Combo Method ppb:

For low grade samples and geochemical materials, 10 gram samples are fused in litharge, carbonate and siliceous flux with the addition of 10 mg of Au-free Ag metal and cupelled. The silver bead is parted with dilute HNO3 and then treated with aqua regia. The salts are dissolved in dilute HCl and analyzed for Au on an atomic absorption spectrophotometer.

Detection limit: 5 ppb

Copper, Lead, Zinc, Silver ppm:

1.0 gm sample is digested with perchloric-nitric acid (HC104-HN03) for approximately 2 hours. The digested sample is cooled and made up to 25 mls with distilled water. The solution is mixed and solids are allowed to settle. Copper, lead, zinc and silver are determined by atomic absorption techniques. Silver and lead are corrected for background absorption.

Detection limit: Copper, Zinc - 1 ppm Silver - 0.2 ppm Lead - 2 ppm

Arsenic ppm:

A 1.0 gm sample is digested with a mixture of perchloric and nitric acid to strong fumes of perchloric acid. The digested solution is diluted to volume and mixed. An aliquot of the digest is acidified, reduced with Kl and mixed. A portion of the reduced solution is converted to arsine with NaBH4 and the arsenic content determined using flameless atomic absorption.

Detection limit: 1 ppm



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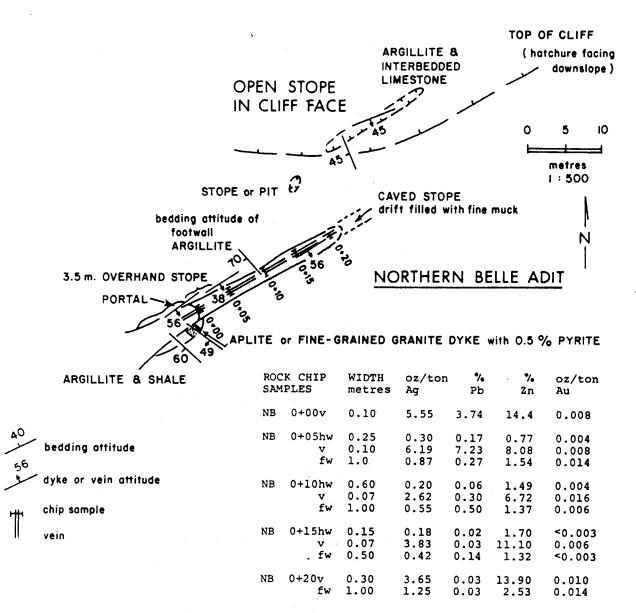
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CERTIFICATION :



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UNDERGROUND GEOLOGY PLAN MAP showing assay samples and results

To accompany report by PAUL KALLOCK Consulting Geologist

ARCTEX ENGINEERING SERVICES JULY 1987

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The foregoing constitutes full, true and plain disclosure of all material facts relating to the securities offered by this prospectus as required by the Securities Act and its regulations.

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