

PLAZA MINES - CASSIAR AREA104P/5E

The Plaza mill is located about 2 km east of the Taurus Hearne mine but was fed with ore from the Vollaag vein above and south of the Erickson mine. The plant is in receivership.

At the mill site it is evident only a very small tonnage was processed leaving two piles of oversize rock which apparently was rejected from the grizzly without being broken up. Each of these rock piles would contain 50 to 100 tons. Some fragments consist of massive white, rather glassy, quartz. The largest pieces suggest they come from a vein section one metre or more in width. Some of these contain a zone on one side about 25 cm in width which contains disseminated small patches of tetrahedrite. Careful examination shows fine free gold associated with these tetrahedrite patches and with tiny cavities in the quartz. The overall grade of these dumps may be respectable. Accurate sampling would be nearly impossible.