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A GEOPHYSICAL REPORT

ON

AN INDUCED POLARIZATION SURVEY

Tutshi Lake Area, British Columbia 59° 50' N, 134°, 30' W N. T. S. 104 M/15

Claims surveyed: CATFISH 2, 3, 6, 7, 10 & 11

<u>Survey Dates:</u> September 6th - October 2nd, 1989

Owners: Frame Mining Corporation C. J. R. Hart

Operator: FRAME MINING CORPORATION

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INTRODUCTION.

Between September 6th and October 2nd, 1989, Peter E. Walcott & Associates Limited carried out limited induced polarization (I.P.) surveying on part of the Catfish property, located in the Tutshi Lake area of British Columbia, for Frame Mining Corporation.

The survey was carried out over two baselines, one at N 15° W, the other at N 40° W, and five cross lines, two of which were turned off at right angles from the first baseline, and the remainder similarily turned off the second baseline, that were established by a linecutting contracting crew.

Measurements (first to fourth separation) of apparent chargeability - the I.P. response parameter - and resistivity were initially taken using the dipole-dipole method of surveying with a 25 metre dipole, but were discarded in favour of those from the pole-dipole method of surveying when the former method had to be abandoned due to poor electrical contact with the ground, the very steep and slippery terrain, and the incessant rain.

As expected the progress of the survey was severely impeded by the above noted conditions, three camp set ups, and suffered a further setback when a large windstorm blew down the camp and damaged the transmitter in the middle of the job which necessitated a replacement being flown in.

The I.P. data are presented in pseudo section form on individual line profiles that are bound in this report.

PROPERTY, LOCATION & ACCESS.

The property is located in the Atlin Mining Division of British Columbia and consists of the following claims:

| Claim | Name | <u>Units</u> | Record No. | Anniversary Date |
|--------|------|--------------|------------|------------------|
| CATFIS | Н | 4 | 2640 | June 24th |
| Ħ | 2 | 2 | 2755 | October 30th, |
| " | 3 | 3 | 2756 | October 30th, |
| 11 | 4 | 2 | 2757 | October 30th, |
| Ħ | 5 | 15 | 3116 | March 4th, |
| 11 | 6 | 8 | 3117 | March 4th, |
| н . | 7 | 20 | 3118 | March 4th, |
| 11 | 10 | 4 | 3433 | September 2nd,. |
| ** | 11 | 6 | 3434 | September 3rd, |
| IGUANA | | 12 | 3100 | January 5th. |

 $$\operatorname{\textsc{The}}$ claims are situated on the west side of Tutshi Lake between elevations of 700 and 2000 metres in the vicinity of Paddy Pass.

Access to the property was obtained by means of a four wheel drive vehicle along an access road, north of Paddy Creek, running off the Klondike Hwy. some 50 kilometres north of Skagway, Alaska.

Helicopter assistance was needed to (a) move the gear up the mountain for work off the north baseline, and (b) move the entire camp to the southern portion of the claims for work off the south baseline.

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PREVIOUS WORK.

Previous work on the property consisted for the most of mapping and prospecting, as evidenced by the presence of adits, trenches and blast holes as well as by the access road, and is largely undocumented.

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PURPOSE.

The purpose of the survey was to determine the I.P. response of the sulphide bearing quartz veins in an effort to use these responses, if any, to trace and/or search for more of the same in the overburden covered areas.

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GEOLOGY.

The reader is referred to a report by J. H. Davis, P. Geol. dated December 1989.

Basically the property is underlain by a sequence of volcanic and sedimentary rocks of Pre=-Permian - Boundary Ranges Group -, Upper Triassic - Stuhini Group -, Lower Jurassic - Laberge Group - and Middle to Upper Jurassic periods in a large anticlinal synclinal structure, intruded in places by granite and aplite rocks of Upper Cretaceous Coast Intrusions, that trends N 50° W.

Mineralization occurs primarily on east-west trending quartz-arsenopyrite veins up to 2.5 metres wide with anomalous gold and silver values within the aplite on the middle ridge, and as disseminated pyrite in the orange-buff gossanous areas of the aplite.

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SURVEY SPECIFICATIONS.

The induced polarization (I.P.) survey was carried out using a pulse type system, the principal components of which are manufactured by Huntec Limited and EDA Instruments Ltd. of Metropolitan Toronto, Ontario.

The system consists basically of three units, a receiver (EDA), a transmitter and a motor generator (Huntec). The transmitter, which provided a maximum of 2.5 kw d.c. to the ground, obtains its power from a 2.5 kw 400 c.p.s. three phase alternator driven by a gasoline engine. The cycling rate of the transmitter is 2 seconds "current-on" and 2 seconds "current-off" with the pulses reversing continuously in polarity. The data recorded in the field consists of careful measurements of the current (I) in amperes flowing through the current electrodes C1 and C2, the primary voltage (V) appearing between the two potential electrodes, P1 and P2, during the "current-on" part of the cycle, and the apparent chargeability (M.) presented as a direct readout in millivolts per volt using a 160 millisecond delay and a 1580 millisecond sample window by the receiver, a digital receiver controlled by a micro-processor.

The apparent resistivity (P_{\bullet}) in ohm metres is proportional to the ratio of the primary voltage and the measured current, the proportionality factor depending on the geometry of the array used. The chargeability and resistivity are called apparent as they are values which that portion of the earth sampled would have if it were homogeneous. As the earth sampled is usually inhomogeneous the calculated apparent chargeability and resistivity are functions of the actual chargeability and resistivity of the rocks.

The dipole-dipole method of surveying was deployed initially. This electrode configuration and the methods of presenting the results are illustrated on the pseudo-sections in the appendix. Depth penetration with this array is increased or decreased by increasing or decreasing "a" and/or "n".

In practise, the equipment is set up at a particular station of the line to be surveyed: three transmitting dipoles are laid out to the rear, measurements are made for all possible combinations of transmitting and receiving dipoles, up to the fourth separation, i.e. n=4: the equipment is then moved 3

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SURVEY SPECIFICATIONS cont'd

"a" metres along the line to the next set-up.

A decision was made to abandon this system of surveying when poor contact resistance resulted in the inability to transmit sufficient current to the ground to obtain reliable measurable overvoltage readings, and to switch to the "poledipole" method of surveying. This decision was further reinforced by the steep and slippery terrain - could not pack the 44 kg motor generator up some slopes - and the inclement weather.

In this method the current electrodes C1, and the potential electrodes, P1 through P5, are moved in unison along the survey lines at a spacing "a" (the dipole) apart, while the second current electrode C2 is kept constant at "infinity". The distance, "na", between C1 and the nearest potential electrode generally controls the depth to be explored by the particular separation, "n", traverse.

The survey was carried out using a 25 metre dipole, and first to fourth separation measurements were made at 25 metre intervals along the lines.

In all some 10.4 kilometres of surveying were carried out using the above methods.

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DISCUSSION OF RESULTS.

The chargeability results show the area surveyed to exhibit a low chargeability background - 3 to 7 millivolts per volt - above which many anomalous features are clearly discernible.

These can be basically broken into three classes based on their respective characteristics, namely Class Anarrow zones of higher chargeability with little or no resistivity contrast as would be expected from narrow veinlike causative sources -, Class B - apparently narrow but undefined zones of high chargeability associated with lower resistivities—and Class C - broad complex zones of higher chargeability with little or no resistivity contrast.

High chargeability readings accompanied by lower resistivity values of Class B type are observed on the western extremities of Lines O, 1125 S and 1325 S as well as on the southern end of the baseline. To the writer these would appear to represent the response of carbonaceous argillites although they generally appear west of the mapped occurrence of such.

A large complex zone of high chargeability of Class C type is observed on the eastern end of Line O, the eastern half of Line 400 N, undefined to the east on both lines, the central portion of Line 800 N and on the baseline between 3 + 50 N and 9 + 00 N between similar elevations on all lines. This would appear to have a formational causative source, but is located mostly in mapped intrusive with extension into the Boundary Range metamorphics on Line O.

Higher chargeability readings occur on the smaller separations within this zone on Line $800\ N$ where the hillside appears to have sloughed down to create a layer of mineralized talus.

A zone of similar characteristics is noted on the western end of Line 1325 S in the mapped Jurassic sedimentary-volcanic suites, and a similar one could occur at depth in the middle of the same line.

The majority of the Class A type of anomalies occur on the two baselines in areas of good rock exposure where

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DISCUSSION OF RESULTS cont'd

the lines run mostly parallel to a shear(s) and over cross cutting quartz-arsenopyrite veins - it should be mentioned here that some first separation measurements were omitted in areas of lower chargeabilities due to excessive primary voltage signal strength.

The broadest of these anomalies, located with the aborted dipole-dipole work between Lines 9 + 50 S and 7 + 75 S on the baseline, exhibits somewhat similar chargeability and resistivity responses to the above mentioned anomalies on Line $1325\ S$.

A strong single dipole anomaly was observed in the overburden covered area on the north side of the Paddy Creek valley bottom, as defined by lower resistivities.

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COST OF SURVEY.

Peter E. Walcott & Associates Limited undertook the survey on a daily basis. Mobilization and reporting costs were extra so that the total cost of services provided was \$35,899.43.

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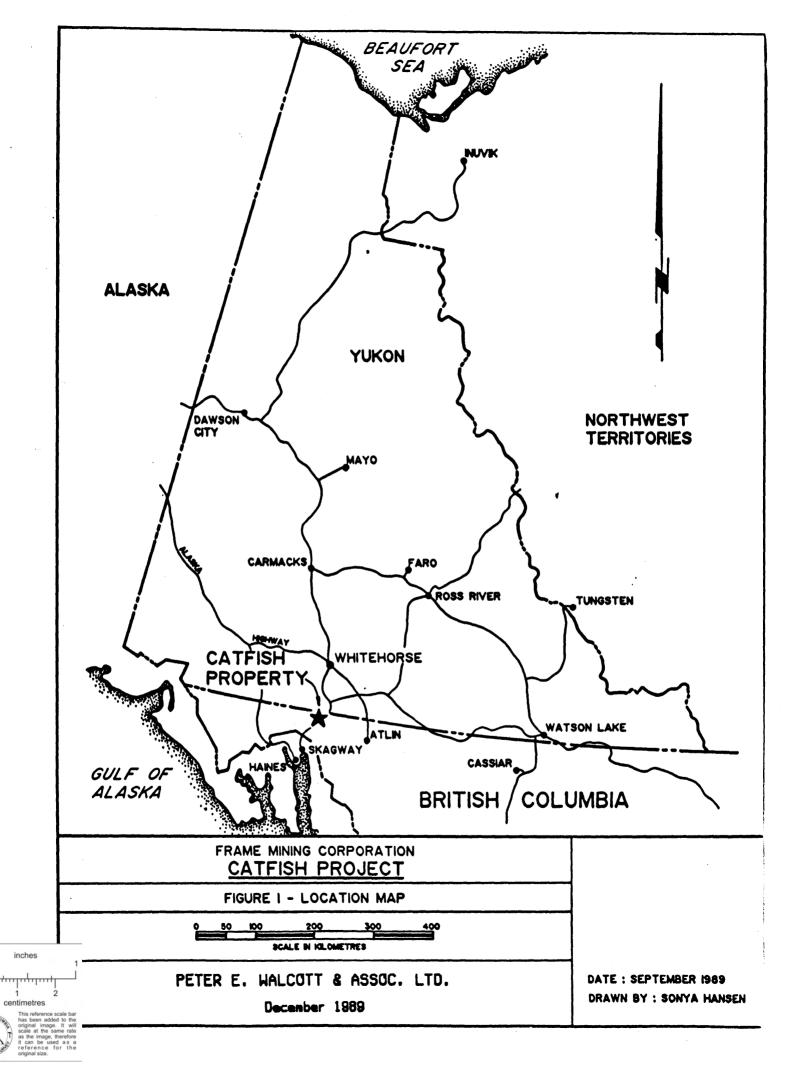
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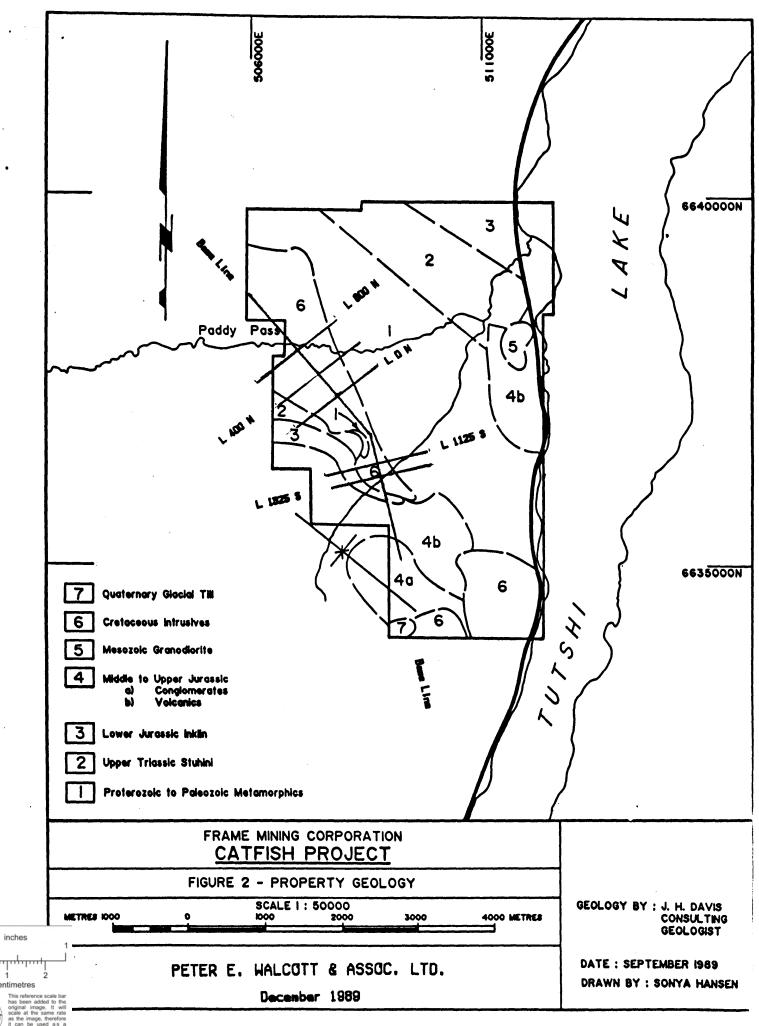
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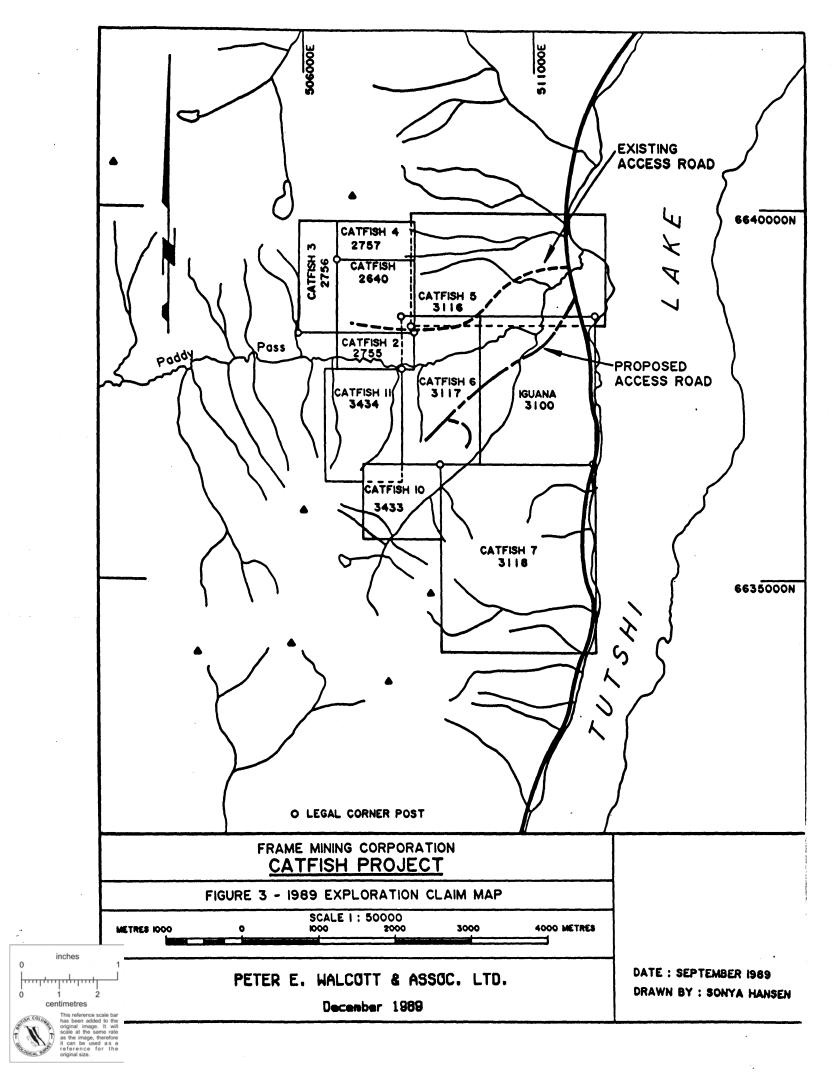
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