

MINEX DEVELOPMENT LTD.

SHARE CONSOLIDATION 5=1 PROPOSED - Minex Development Ltd. annual meeting (7Dec73, 11 a.m. WORK PLANNED ON 3 PROPERTIES 202-640 W. Hastings St., Vancouver) will consider a proposal to consolidate the shares 5 - old for 1-new share so that the 3,653,938 shares now issued would become 730,787 of the 5,000,000 to be authorized. The necessary new name proposed is New Minex Resources Ltd.

Nominees for election as directors are incumbents, Donald W. Tully, president (owing 26,000 shares); Walter Lisk, (2,000); and Wm.L. Warner, sec. (4,501).

Mr. Tully reports that, in the past year, Minex participated in a \$57,000 program with Rolling Hills Copper Mines near Kamloops, B.C.; the drilling encountered widespread, low grade mineralization and the joint venture terminated. Minex retains those claims (the Dave and Don groups) and also 34 claims in Highland Valley, B.C., in good standing. Progress on the latter depends on developments on the adjoining property of Highmont Mining and particularly the economic climate for mining in B.C.

Minex acquired interests in 3 new properties as noted below. Two are in the Yukon where financial assistance to the amount of 40% is available.

By an Oct 5/73 agt. Minex has an option to buy from D.I.T. Holdings Ltd. the D.I.T. 1 to 16 claims in Bonnet Plume River area, Yukon (subject to  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1% royalty on any net smelter returns). Consideration is 25,000 shares issuable within 60 days and \$100,000 payable \$2,000 on closing and \$98,000 over 10 years or the equivalent value in shares as the vendor may elect. J.Sullivan, P.Eng., has recommended a \$132,000 preliminary drill test of this copper prospect. Major firms are interested.

On the Bonnet Plume River at the mouth of Goz Creek, Minex staked the 24 Min, Tee and Lee claims near a recently reported zinc discovery.

By a 28Aug73 agt. Minex paid \$5,000 to Alakon Metals Ltd. for its assignment to Minex of its rights under a 28Jun73 option agt. (amended 13Aug73) to buy from Thos. J. McQuillan the D.O.C. 1 to 10 claims in Unuk River area north of Granduc Mine near Stewart, B.C. Purchase price is \$48,000 and 150,000 shares payable \$3,000 by 14Jun74 and \$15,000 and 50,000 shares on 31Aug75, 76 and 77. W.R. Bacon, Ph.D., P. Eng., has recommended a \$56,000 initial drill test of several high grade gold veins.

For the work programs, \$188,000 in new financing will be needed.

In the year to 30Sep73, Minex received \$6,947 interest earned. Applies were \$84,759 (chiefly \$52,670 expl'n., \$14,939 admin. and \$17,000 for claims and options). The \$77,812 excess applied reduced working capital to \$43,208 at 30Sep73.

RIO PLATA SILVER MINES LTD.

DRILL TO START ON MERRITT PROPERTY SOON - Developments have been reviewed on three properties STRIPPING SILVER IN YUKON UNDERWAY of Rio Plata Silver Mines Ltd.

DEEP HOLE AT HOBO CREEK TO BE ASSAYED On the Fin and Luck group of 60 claims, also called the Chartwell property, the third and most detailed phase of induced polarization survey has been completed. This work resulted in the selection of eight prime diamond drill targets and a number of lesser targets. A contract for the testing of these areas is under negotiation and drilling is expected to start in the immediate future. The property is located about five miles north of the Cragmont Mine, near Merritt, B.C., and has good access for a winter program.

Stripping and trenching on the Formo claim group in the area of the United Keno Hill Mines, 50 miles northeast of Mayo, Yukon, is underway with encouraging results. As the program continues, it is intended to systematically sample the areas of the mineralized vein. This phase of stripping was planned to test in detail the vein fault over a length of 700 feet and a width of 130 feet where earlier values have been in the range of 60 to 95 oz. silver per ton. The work is also testing the extensions of this vein which has been indicated to continue for some 3,000 feet. Assay results are expected to be available in the near future.

Core from 1,000 feet of deep diamond drill hole on the Loon and Bear claim group, on Hobo Creek, near Atlin, northwest B.C., is currently being logged and split in preparation of assaying. Copper mineralization is visible in the majority of the granite host rock with some sections appearing to have a significant copper content. This is the second deep hole drilled to test the copper content of the granite host and is located 800 feet south, 300 feet west and 150 feet higher in elevation than the collar of the No.1 hole which was drilled to 906 feet for geological information. The last 35 feet of the No.1 hole confirmed the location of the granite formation and that the granite formation carried copper mineralization. The No.1 hole was drilled on the edge of a magnetic low anomaly located by an aerial survey. The anomalous area is some 7,500 feet long by approximately 2,000 feet wide. The next phase of exploration on the property calls for an aerial electromagnetic survey and follow up diamond drilling making use of the drill now on the property. The highgrade copper mineralization on this property is in a sedimentary host rock and is outside the anomalous area. The highgrade copper is associated with magnetite and did not show up in the magnetometer survey.

FOR THE RECORD

Great Plains Development Company Of Canada Ltd. directors have declared a record high dividend of 50¢ per share payable on January 7, 1974 record on December 7, 1973. This dividend is 10 cents higher than any previous.

Slocan Development Corporation shares were halted from trading by the Canadian Stock Exchange and the exchange has requested a statement from the company. It is expected that this statement will be made within the next few days.

MONTA GRANDE EXPLORATION LIMITED

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CORPORATE STRUCTURE

Public Share Offering: by prospectus, 20July73, registered BCSC, 20July73, as amended 15Sep73, Sansai Securities Ltd., Vancouver, underwrote 250,000 shs. at 30¢ p/s and offers them to the public at market but not to exceed 50¢ p/s. Net proceeds from the underwriting to the company are shown at \$62,500 before company expenses of the financing estimated not to exceed \$6,500.

Inc.: Alberta 25July57 as "Monte Grande Oil Co. Ltd." Name changed, 17Jan73; public 18Jan73. Inactive until July, 1973.

H.O.: 250 Mobil Tower, Calgary.

Reg.Off.: 700 Bank of Montreal Bldg., Edmonton.

T.A. & Reg.: National Trust Co., Vancouver.

Solicitor: Angus C. Ree, Vancouver.

Authorized Capital: 3,000,000 shs. no par.

Shares Issued:

For lease option, escrowed	750,000
For \$2 cash (to be gifted back)	200
For \$45,000 cash, pooled	<u>450,000</u>
Outstanding, 31Mar73, & 20July73	1,200,200
Offered, 20July73	<u>250,000</u>
To be outstanding if all sold	<u>1,450,200</u>

Financial Position: working capital, 31Mar73, \$41,202.

Directors: J.B. Montalban, president, A.C. Miller, sec-treas., both of Calgary; Hajime (James) Wakita, vice-pres., director and vice pres. (Sansai Securities Ltd.), Minoru Hishi, director, assistant sec. treas., and director and sec. treas. (Sansai Securities Ltd.), both of Vancouver.

Promoter: J.V. Montalban.

SHALLOW PRODUCTIVE FORMATIONS TARGET FOR DRILLING IN N. MONTANA

Monte Grande Exploration Limited, a 1957 Alberta incorporation which became active for the first time this year, has received \$62,500 from an underwriting as noted in the adjoining column. Proceeds will be used chiefly to carry out recommendations of V.R. Chamberlain, P. Eng. & P.Geol., for a program on the optioned Ralph Swensen lease of 360 acres in the Graben Coulee field just south of the Canadian Border in Montana. In his March, 1973 report he says there are 5 productive wells on the lease and one dry hole has been drilled. These wells, he reports, proved existence of commercial oil in 3 zones: Sunburst, Cut Bank sand and Madison limestone. To date all production has been from the Cut Bank sand. Initial production ranged from 14 to 53 bbl. of clear oil p/day with an average initial production of 37 3/5 bbl. per well. He advised that a study of well records and production figures shows that all of the wells on the lease need to be worked over. Also he advises recompletion of some of the wells in other horizons that originally yielded oil on drill stem tests. The Madison, he notes, produces clean oil from wells on adjoining leases at structurally lower elevation and he concludes that Swensen wells 1, 2 and 3 should be productive from this horizon.

In an addendum to his March report Mr. Chamberlain provided further information and advice in a June, 1973 re-

port. Since the first report prices for Cut Bank oil had increased by 30¢ p/bbl. at well head. Including the increase effected in early April, the posted field price for 34 deg. API gravity crude oil had increased from \$3.04 to \$3.35 per bbl. Because of this as well as increases in drilling, services and materials costs a re-evaluation of the Swensen lease was in order. He gives detail of findings of the Montana Oil and Gas Conservation Board which he says shows that 70% of the Graben Coulee field reserves have been produced while actual reserves and production figures for this lease show that 83% of the recoverable primary Cut Bank reserves remain, plus the Sunburst and Madison reserves. In his amended recommendations he estimates the cost of drilling and completing a well on the Swensen lease, not to exceed \$50,000. He says further that as there are presently 5 wells completed on the lease plus tank batteries and gathering lines, the replacement cost would be a minimum of \$250,000. The salvage value of useable equipment would easily be in excess of \$50,000. Consequently he advises that a value of \$50,000 is a most conservative figure to place on this lease under present conditions.

In a further report, 15Sep73, Mr. Chamberlain advised that instead of cleaning out and reworking the 5 existing wells that the company drill a direct south offset to an existing well located on adjacent property. The company, in its September amendment to the prospectus allocates \$45,000 to drill this well, \$5,000 to repay a bank loan, \$6,500 to pay cost of the issue and \$6,000 for general corporate purposes and paying outstanding liabilities.

FOR THE RECORD

Stannex Minerals Ltd. shares were delisted Oct. 30/73 by Vancouver Stock Exchange for a breach of listing requirements.

Minex Development Ltd. effective 28Aug73, has by 28Aug73 agt. and payment of \$5,000 acquired by assignment from Alakon Metals Ltd. an option agreement with Thomas J. McQuillan, on certain claims in Skeena mining division, B.C. To maintain the option and buy 100% interest in the claims, Alakon must pay Mr. McQuillan \$48,000 and issue him 150,000 shares being \$3,000 on 14Jun74 plus \$15,000 and 50,000 shares on 31August of 1974, 75 and 76.

By Oct. 5/73 agt. Minex has acquired from D.I.T. Holdings, an option on 16 mineral claims in Mayo mining division, Yukon, for \$2,000 forthwith and 25,000 shares within 60 days. Minex may buy 100% interest for a further \$98,000 payable in annual installments over 10 years.

Minex has terminated a joint venture agt. with Rolling Hills Copper Mines Ltd. to acquire and develop certain claims in Kamloops mining division, B.C.

KELMOUNT EXPLORATIONS LTD.

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**PRINCETON CLAIMS TO GET PRELIMINARY PROGRAM** - Kelmount Explorations Ltd. proposes to allocate \$6,000 on hand and \$28,125 from sale of shares chiefly to carry out a program recommended by J.R. Poloni, P. Eng., 6Jul72, on its F.G.P. mineral claims in Copper Mountain area, 8 miles south of Princeton, B.C., at Whipsaw and Lamont Creeks.

Corporate Structure

Inc.: B.C., 5May72; public, 6Nov72.  
Reg. Off.: 230 - 890 W. Pender, Vancouver.  
H.O.: 300 - 1199 W. Pender, Vancouver.  
Auditors: Wolrige, Mahon & Co.  
Solicitors: Poyner, Gibbons, Barrett & Gibbons.

Auth. Capital: 3,000,000 shs., 50¢ par.

Shares Issued:

For mineral properties	750,000
For \$10,000 cash	100,004
Outstanding, 31Jul & 6Nov72	850,004
Offered, 6Nov72	250,000
To be outstanding if all sold	1,100,004

Financial Position: Incl. \$10,000 from sale of shares and \$1,000 advanced by shareholders total raised to 31Jul72 was \$11,000 and expenditure was \$4,847, leaving working capital of \$6,153.

Public Share Offering: - by prospectus, 6Nov72, registered BCSC, 10Nov72, the company offers 250,000 shs. at 15¢ p/s subj. to 3 3/4¢ p/s commission to net if all sold \$28,125.

survey, geological mapping and prospecting, magnetometer and I.P. survey and trenching and sampling of coincident anomalies obtained in the previous surveys where overburden permits.

Kelmount directors are also the promoters and are: Leon E. Kelsch, North Vancouver, pres.; Neal V. Beaumont, North Vancouver, sec'y.; and Roy Shatzko, Vancouver.

FOR THE RECORD

Minex Development Ltd. annual meeting 13Dec72 re-elected directors: Donald W. Tully, president (owning 31,000 shares); Malcolm Brown (5,000); Wm. Warner, sec. (4,501); and Walter Lisk. Concerning the Kamloops area property on which Minex holds an option from Rolling Hills Copper Mines Ltd., Mr. Tully said some 3000 feet of percussion drilling in 12 holes tested geophysical and geochemical anomalies. Hole 8 returned a 50-foot intersection of 0.70% copper and Hole 9 in the same zone returned 60 feet of 0.24% copper. Deep drill testing is recommended. The joint agt. 20Mar72 with Rolling Hills covered 25 claims. It was modified 1Nov72 by adding a further 21 claims; by providing that expenditure of \$40,000 by Minex by 1Apr73 would relieve Minex of its previous near term commitment; and by altering the total work commitment schedule so that by spending \$150,000 by 1976, Minex would earn 50% interest in the property. He noted that Minex' 34 claims in Highland Valley have an estimated 36,000,000 tons grading about 0.20% copper and 0.016% molybdenite but further work should await better metal prices. The nickel prospect near Cry Lake in the Dease Lake area of NW B.C. is being held, but the silver prospect in Alaska has been dropped. A 75% interest in the 42 Bev, Ro and Rite-On claims in Kamloops area was sold to Alakon Metals Ltd. for \$2,500 cash and 25,000 shares.

In the year to 30Sep72, \$118,307 were received (chiefly \$105,000 by sale of shares, \$10,807 from interest earned and sale of claims). Applied were \$56,018 (chiefly \$31,018 expl'n, \$20,216 admin. and \$2,500 investments). The \$62,288 excess received, increased working capital to \$121,021 at 30Sep72, when, of 5,000,000 shs. auth., 3,653,938 were issued (unchanged at 28Nov72).

Bonus Resources Ltd. extraordinary meeting 19Dec72 approved transfers within escrow of 750,000 shares being 375,000 from each of Ian Nugent and Wm. Newsom divided as to 250,000 each to Arthur Clemis, Douglas Thompson and Leslie McConnell. Of 3,000,000 shs. auth., 1,100,005 are issued thus, if regulatory bodies also approve the proposed transfers, control of the company will shift.

Equatorial Resources Ltd. annual meeting 19Dec72 re-elected directors Richard F. Kent (owning 116,754 shares) of Vancouver; Frank A. Denis (111,834) and Albert H. Doiron (105,655) of Prince George, B.C. See GCNL 244(72) for annual report review.

B.C. COMPANIES ACT

NEW INCORPORATIONS:

Far North Resources Ltd.-30Nov72, registered office is 390-444 Victoria St., Prince George, B.C. and authorized capital is 10,000 common shs. of \$1.00 par value each.  
J.B. Exploration Ltd.-30Nov72, registered office is 16th Floor, 1177 W. Hastings St., Vancouver, and authorized capital is 10,000 no par value shares.  
Montcana Holdings Ltd.-29Nov72, registered office is 7th Floor, 900 W. Hastings St., Vancouver, and authorized capital is 500,000 shs. of 50¢ par value each.

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**LOOPS PROPERTY - AGREEMENT DETAILED** - D.W. Tully, president of Minex Development Ltd., has reported that on 20 Mar 72, Minex and Rolling Hills Copper Mines Ltd. signed an agreement whereby Minex will explore a joint property composed of 50 claims five miles south of Kamloops, B.C., at Jacko Lake. This joint claim group includes the Dave claims and adjoins the south boundary of several Crown Grant claims held by Cominco Ltd. Any new claims acquired within one mile will become part of the property.

The agreement calls for a firm commitment of \$50,000 to be spent during 1972 and a further optional expenditure of \$50,000 during 1973 making a total of \$100,000 within the two years.

After \$100,000 has been spent exploring the claims Minex and Rolling Hills will each have a 50% interest in the joint property and further expenditures will be shared equally including any profits realized by way of production or from sale of the property. A buy-out clause is provided in the agreement should either party wish to sell its interest in the mining property, it shall first offer it to the other at a specified price for a 60-day period. The agreement is subject to approval by the Vancouver Stock Exchange.

Crews are now mobilizing to start a survey of the claims, layout control grid lines and do geophysical work in preparation for a sizeable program of drilling to commence shortly.

Minex also holds a second group of 28 claims called the BEV Group about two miles to the south of the joint Minex-Rolling Hills property. A work program is also planned for this group.

Dr. W.R. Bacon, P. Eng., consulting engineer, has recommended a work program of \$54,000.

MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

**DIRECT PUBLIC OFFERING - SOMETIME IN THE FUTURE** - Retiring chairman of the Municipal Finance Authority of B.C., Hugh Curtis, Mayor of Saanich, stated that it is logical for the Authority, at sometime in the future to sell bonds direct to the general public.

He told the annual meeting of MFA directors, that a secondary market has not yet developed to the point where Authority bonds could be sold direct to the public in British Columbia.

"But", said Mayor Curtis, "this marketability certainly will develop and it is an extremely logical 'later step' to sell MFA bonds over the counter at all municipal and regional district offices in the Province."

Mayor Curtis said that since the MFA was established two years ago, to borrow funds for sewer, water and pollution abatement facilities, it has attained outstanding success. The Authority borrows funds on behalf of B.C.'s 28 regional districts, all of which are members of the MFA.

In the last six months the Authority has sold three issues, one in the U.S. and two in Canada, totalling \$27,300,000. Each issue has been sold at a more favorable price than the preceding one.

FOR THE RECORD

Demsey Mines Limited of Vancouver has acquired a working interest in two programs of oil and gas test drilling in Alberta.

In the first program, the company will participate with others in the drilling of test wells in the Bindloss area. Demsey will net 3.75% of any production in the wells in which it participates.

In the second venture, Demsey is involved with Nisson Mines and Coast Interior Ventures, also of Vancouver, in exploration headed by Alberta Gas Processors Ltd. of Calgary. Drilling operations are scheduled to start prior to breakup this spring. The drillsite is in the Duhamel area, about six miles west of Devonian oil production in the Duhamel field, and about seven miles northwest of oilwells in the New Norway oilfield.

Alberta Gas will operate the project and has a 20% interest in the well and nine sections of petroleum and natural gas rights in the immediate area. Demsey has a 10% involvement, and Nisson and Coast Interior 5% each.

Frontier Exploration Ltd. share purchase options granted by a 7 Feb 72 agt. (GCNL 32(72) refers) have been assigned by Union Securities Ltd. under a 13 Mar 72 agt. to Carlisle, Douglas & Co. Ltd. on their own behalf as to 50% and on behalf of a client as to 50%. Hart River Mines Ltd. by 7 Mar 72 agt., has acquired an option to buy 114 claims in Kamloops, mining division, B.C., from Murray Swetz and Paul Andreeff for \$5,000 payable forthwith and \$5,000 payable by 30 Mar 72. A new company is to be incorporated to hold 500,000 shares.