NAME OF PROPERTY TRUE BLUE	OWNER OTTO & OTAKAR JAROUT
MINING DIVISION NELSON, BRITISH COLUMBIA	
LOCATION 2KM SW OF KASLO, BC	ADDRESS 310-1509 MARTIN STREET
NTS 82F/15W (70KM N OF NELSON, BC)	WHITE ROCK, BC V4B 3W8
GEOLOGY & TYPE OF DEPOSIT VOLCANOGENIC MASSIVE	PHONE
SULPHIDES WITHIN UPPER PALEOZOIC MILFORD GROUP.	PARTNERS
SUBMITTOR NOTIFIED YES .	
CO-ORDINATES	

Access, area, financial proposals, history & development, production, reserves, geology & mineralization, geophysics, previous submittals, references, remarks, recommendations.

DATE SUBMITTED

FILE NO. NTS 82F/15W DATE EXAMINED 27 JULY 1991

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Excellent. Property is located 2km SW of the town of Kaslo and is reached via old logging roads up to approximately 4000' level. 45 min. trail to main showing at ~4700'. Helicopter base located ~10km away. Two helicopter pads straddling main showing at 1) ~4500' and 2) ~5200'. Main showing is about 2/3 up True Blue mountain on steep, NE facing slope with variable bush and rock exposure.

#### CLAIMS

113 units and 2 reverted Crown grants. The vast majority not due until the year 2000, owned wholly by Otto Janout and his father, Otakar Janout.

#### HISTORY

1898 - a few hundred feet of underground work produced 92 tons of ore averaging: 8.9% Cu, 58.6 g/t Ag, 1.3 g/t Au, with Zn not recovered.

1902-1978 - Basically dormant

1979 - optioned by Esso Minerals

1981-1982 - optioned by SMD Mining Co.

1986 - optioned by Minequest Exploration

N.B. 1902 through 1986 (as per dates listed above) - mainly regional soil and rock geochem with some geophysics. Esso confirmed main showing averaging Cu 6-7%, Zn 1-2% and similar Ag+Au to 1898 results.

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1987-1990 - Optioned by QPX Minerals who spent a total of approximately \$400,000. Work included: 58km of grid cut; detailed geological mapping of grid at 1:2,500 scale; 58 line km of Mag; 58 line km of VLF-EM; 13 line km of I.P.; 2 line km of mise a la masse; and much detailed soil and rock geochem. Program culminated in one diamond drill hole approximately **4**50' deep which 450' failed to intersect massive sulphides and subsequently the option was dropped.

#### REGIONAL GEOLOGY

The claims lie within the complex geology of the Kootenay Arc. The area is underlain by lower Paleozoic grit and schist of the Lardeau Group. Overlying these by an angular unconformity are the upper Paleozoic sediments and volcanics of the Milford Group. These are overlain by the late Paleozoic to early Mesozoic Kaslo Group pophyritic andesitic volcanics and volcaniclastics before greenschist facies. Some narrow ultramafic slices in the Kaslo mark the loci of thrust faulting. Overlying the Kaslo Group are the Mesozoic phyllites and limestone of the Slocan Group.

#### PROPERTY GEOLOGY AND MINERALIZATION

The True Blue showing appears to be a volcanogenic massive sulphide deposit type. Massive sulphides (cpy, po, py, sph) within an approximate 1.2m unit are banded, apparently syngenetic and occur within a siliceous, sericitic envelope in the upper Milford Group volcanics. The sulphides are confined to this quartz-sericite schist unit which is part of a westward dipping succession of Milford and Kaslo volcanics which are bounded to the west by a thrust fault. The overlying Upper Triassic Slocan sediments contain parts of the Kaslo Group which have been faulted into the upper plate. Intruding these are Cretaceous diorites which may truncate the sulphide unit on the west side.

#### EXAMINATION REMARKS

The vast majority of information has been gathered by QPX between 1986-1991. The surficial mapping and sampling program was extensive in search of peripheral showings and produced a detailed map, however no other showings were found on surface. Other quartz-sericite schist outcrops were located but were essentially barren aside from minor pyritic laminations. Manganese is locally common and in one particular location (called the Manganese Showing) is proliferous, occurring in rhodonite. QPX concluded that the sericitic units were the same and interpreted them as part of a large fold. Based on this, the drill hole was oriented down TRUE BLUE Author: Ian Mitchell Page 3

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the topographic dip slope at -67° aiming to intersect a pencil shaped ore body in the nose of the large fold. The massive sulphide unit was not intersected and downhole geophysical results were poor. However, according to property owner, Otto Janout, a recent visit by geologist Trygve Hoy to the property in 199D led to the opinion of Mr. Hoy that the orientation of the massive sulphide unit is not controlled by that generation of folding which QPX believed.

The True Blue showing was visited by contracting geologists, Shaun Pattenden, Alex Nikolajevick, and myself, report author, Ian Mitchell, on July 27, 1991. A total of 5 rock samples were taken at the True Blue showing Glory Hole Adit entrance as follows:

#9182F01-01		<pre>lm chip across central qtz-ser schist containing 40cm sulph.</pre>
#9182F01-02	-	1.6m chip across shear in qtz-ser schist with 20cm mass. sulph.
#9182F01-03	-	40cm chip across massive sulphide zone (cpy, po, py, sph sample #1
#9182F01-04	-	Im chip across upper west unmineralized limb of gtz-ser schist.
#9182F01-05	-	high grade ore sample grab in Glory hole.



Sketch Map of Glory Hile Adut with Sample hocations.

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Total sulphides are generally >90% in the massive zone. Faulting in the Glory hole adit appears to truncate the sulphide zone at surface on the SW side. Complex folding further complicates the picture and it is clear that a structural analysis with stereonet would enhance interpretation of post mineralization structural controls for the deposit; more detailed work in the Glory Hole vicinity is required. Unfortunately, sloughing in the adits has prevented mapping of the work done at the turn of the century. It is unknown what happens to the ore zone in these; whether it pinches out, is displaced by faulting or truncated at depth by the diorite, etc.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Sample results (still pending) are expected to be favourable; the massive sulphide zone is impressive looking but small in size. Lack of geophysical conductors with the exception of a questionable mis a la masse response, is discouraging. The complexity of folding and local faulting complicates exploration for a larger target but may explain the lack of success to date. However, the age of the host rocks (late Paleozoic) and alteration around the massive sulphide zone (a sericitic unit surrounded by propylitically altered volcanics and sediments) indicate the environment is favourable for VMS type deposits. The author believes that there is the room and potential for a larger size deposit on the property.

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June 6, 1990

### DRILLING TO COMMENCE ON TRUE BLUE POLYMETALLIC PROSPECT

Diamond drilling on the True Blue copper/gold/silver project will commence June 9, 1990.

The True Blue Property is located four kilometres southwest of Kaslo, B.C., in the Slocan Mining Division. The drill area and old workings are at an elevation of about 1500 metres, on the east side of True Blue Mountain.

The property consists of eight mineral claims and two Reverted Crown Grants, held by QPX Minerals Inc. under the terms of a 1987 option agreement, and three mineral claims owned by QPX. QPX may purchase a 100% interest in the optioned claims for \$500,000 subject to a 2% NSR. These claims cover the True Blue Showing and approximately 12 kilometres of strike length of the host Milford Group.

Limited production from the True Blue Showing at the turn of the century reported 96 tonnes grading 8.9% Copper, 58.6 g/tonne Silver, and 1.3 g/tonne Gold.

The True Blue showing is an occurrence of massive sulphides hosted by Upper Paleozoic sediments and volcanics of the Milford Group. Mineralization is typical of volcanogenic massive sulphide deposits; banded massive pyritepyrrhotite-chalcopyrite with lesser amounts of galena and sphalerite within a sericitic schist unit. Sulphide thicknesses exposed range up to 1.2 metres. The mineralization is located at the nose of a fold that plunges to the northwest.

Work by QPX during 1987 and 1988 traced the sericitic unit 800 metres north of the showing and defined an anomaly with Induced Polarization and Mise a la Masse surveys that suggest that the sulphide body continues to the north.

The current diamond drill program is designed to test for the down-plunge extension of the mineralization found at surface. Results are expected by late June.

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Volcanogenic Massive Sulphide Deposits and Occurrences in British Columbia

Name	MINFILE No.	Туре	Terrane	Host	Age
CAMBRIAN					
Goldstream area 1 Goldstream	082M 141	Besshi	Kootenay	Lardeau	с
2 Montgomery 3 Standard	082M 085	Besshi Besshi	Kootenay	Lardeau	ç
4 Brew	082M ?	Besshi	Kootenay	Lardeau	č
DEVONIAN					
5 Twin Mtn.	082M 020	Kuroko(?)	Kootenay	Eagle Bay	D
6 Homestake	082M 025	Kuroko	Kootenay	Eagle Bay	D
8 Joe	082M 055	Kuroko	Kootenay	Eagle Bay	D
9 Beca 10 Birk Creek	082M 055	Kuroko	Kootenay	Eagle Bay	D
11 May	082M 131	Kuroko	Kootenay	Eagle Bay	D
12 Rea 13 Fortuna	082M 191 092P 044	Kuroko	Kootenay Kootenay	Eagle Bay	D
Vancouver Island	052. 044		nooteney		-
14 Jwin J Lenora	092B 001	Kuroko	Wrangellia	Sicker	uD
Tyee Bishard III	092B 002				
15 Lara	0920 003	Kuroko	Wrangellia	Sicker	uD
Coronation Zone	092B 129				
Randy North Zone	092B 128				
Hangingwall Zone 16 Anita	092B 037	Kuroko	Wrangellia	Sicker	uD
17 Sharon Copper	092B 040	Kuroko	Wrangellia	Sicker	uĎ
19 Jane	092B 084	Kuroko	Wrangellia	Sicker	uD uD
20 Copper Canyon 21 Breen Lake	092B 086.4	Kuroko	Wrangellia	Sicker	uD
22 Regina	092F 078	Kuroko	Wrangellia	Sicker	uD
23 Debbie 24 Thistle	092F 025 092F 083	Kuroko Kuroko	Wrangellia Wrangellia	Sicker Sicker	uD uD
25 Westmin	0005 071	Kungha	Waaaallia	Sieliee	
Муга	092F 072	Kuroko	Wrangellia	Sicker	uD
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26 Chu Chua 27 Lang Creek	092P 140 104P 008	Cyprus	Slide Mtn. Slide Mtn	Fennel Svivester	M-P
<ul> <li>28 True Blue</li> </ul>	082F 002 -	Besshi —	Slide Mtn.	Milford	M-Pm
29 Packsack	103H 013	Kuroko	Taku (Wrangellia)		PI
30 Horsefly 31 Cimadoro	103H 014 103E 052	Kuroko Besshi(2)	Taku (Wrangellia) Wrangellia	Sicker(2)	PI PI(2)
32 Ecstall	103H 011	Kuroko	Taku (Wrangellia)	••••••	PI
34 Pit	103H 066	Kuroko	Taku (Wrangellia)		PI
35 Foremore Tuiseguah area	104G ?	Kuroko(?)	Stikinia	Stikine	D-M
36 Tulsequah Chief	104K 061	Kuroko	Stikinia	Stikine	Pm
38 Maple Leaf	104K 008 104K ?	Kuroko Kuroko	Stikinia	Stikine	Pm
39 Ericksen-Ashby	104K 011	Kuroko	Stikinia Bridge P	Stikine Bridge B	Pm Pm-Tr
41 New Discovery	092J 121	Cyprus	Bridge R.	Bridge R.	Pm-Tr
TRIASSIC	1041.060	Kuroko	Stikinia	Kutcho	uTr(2)
43 Windy Craggy	114P 002	Besshi	Alexander	Tats	uTr
44 Rime 45 Rock and Roll	114P 061 103H 2	Besshi Kuroko	Alexander Stikinia	Tats Stubini	uTr uTr
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47 Bonanza	103P 023	Cyprus Cyprus	Stikinia	Karmutzen	uTr
48 Double Ed 49 Redwing	103P 025	Cyprus	Stikinia Stikinia	Karmutzen	uTr
50 Eden	103P 026	Cyprus	Stikinia	Karmutzen	uTr
52 Sylvester K	082E 052	Besshi Kuroko	Quesnellia	Stuhini Brooklyn	ulr uTr
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53 Dolly Varden 54 Torbrit	103P 088 103P 191	Kuroko(?) Kuroko(?)	Stikinia Stikinia	Hazelton Hazelton	IJ
55 North Star	103P 189	Kuroko(?)	Stikinia	Hazelton	IJ,
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#### TABLE 5-4

Volcanogenic Massive	Sulphide Deposits -	– Production D	)ata
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No.	Name	Tonnes	Cu	Zn	РЬ	Ag	Au
	Coldetroam	427 886	11 849	505		3 820	-
1	Quidstream	4 206	4	203	141	8 751	11.3
b	Homestake	4 250	7 505	1 926	165	10 722	386.1
14	Lenora	119 8312	5 0 4 1	1 520		13 725	762.5
	Tyee	152 6682	5 841	-	-	523	22.8
	Richard III	4 903 <sup>2</sup>	114	-	-	525	22.0
24	Thistle	6 283 <sup>2</sup>	309	-		00	16 419 9
25	Westmin <sup>3,4</sup>	10 392 097	176 423	558 384	56 795	636 409	16 418.0
36	Tulsequah3.5	933 609	12 341	56 559	15 214	105 774	2 931.7
46	Hidden Creek	21 725 5242	321 546	-	-	206 309	3 772.8
40	Research Cleek	655 656	14 300		_	8 748	86.6
41	Donanza	15 172 1402	100 144	_		124 049	2 000.1
51	Granduc	15 173 1402	190 144	_	0 0	42 451	_
53	Dolly Varden	33 434	0.2	202	1 969	570 056	34
54	Torbrit	1 251 339		205	4 000	006 610	5.4
55	North Star	101 <sup>2</sup>	-	-	-	00	0 5
57	Seneca	260 <sup>2</sup>	3	18	-	30	0.5
58	Britannia <sup>3</sup>	47 402 534	516 960	125 291	15 563	180 846	15 350.6

<sup>1</sup> Copper, zinc and lead data in 1000 kg; silver and gold in kg (to 1989 inclusive).

<sup>2</sup> Tonnes mined, not milled.

<sup>3</sup> Deposit also produced cadmium.

4 Includes production from Lynx, Myra and H-W deposits.

Includes production from Big Bull, 1951–1956. Note: Data from B.C. Geological Survey Branch MINFILE.

marginal basins, possibly back-arc basins, in relatively close proximity to the Eagle Bay assemblage of the pericratonic Kootenay Terrane (Schiarizza and Preto, 1987).

#### Anyox (MINFILE 103P 021 to 25)

Deposits in the Anyox district north of Prince Rupert were major producers of copper between 1914 and 1936 (Nelson, 1935; 1948). Approximately 22 million tonnes of ore were mined from the largest of the deposits, the Hidden Creek orebody, producing 322 000 tonnes of copper, 206 tonnes of silver and 3.8 tonnes of gold (Table 5-4). The large reserve tonnage reported (Table 5-3) is primarily for a quartz-vein stockwork zone.

The massive sulphide deposits occur at or near a conformable contact of tholeiitic basalts and an overlying argillite succession, both of upper Triassic age (Figure 5-15). They are composed mainly of Pyrite with lesser amounts of pyrrhotite, chalcopyrite and sphalerite (Sharp, 1980). Footwall rocks comprise a thick pillow basalt sequence, overlain by basaltic tuff interbedded with chert, and a crudely bedded chert unit that is associated with the largest sulphide masses. Both the tuff and chert units are thickest beneath the sulphide masses; the chert can be traced for several kilometres away from the Hidden Creek area.

The footwall rocks are variably altered with silica, sericite and chlorite and locally cut by well-defined quartz-sulphide stringer zones. The basaltic tuff unit beneath the Hidden Creek deposit contains a few small, massive pyrrhotite lenses and disseminated to bedded pyrrhotite with minor pyrite and chalcopyrite. The chert lens also contains disseminated sulphides, small, massive sulphide lenses, and sericite, chlorite and minor magnetite. The stringer zones are in chloritized rocks with alteration increasing in intensity toward the base of the sulphide layers. Locally, footwall basalts are weakly albitized, indicative of sodium metasomatism.

The deposits at Anyox are within pillow basalts and tuffs, associated with exhalite chert, and overlain by argillites. These volcanic rocks are low-potassium tholeiites, similar in age and chemistry to upper Triassic volcanic rocks of the Karmutsen Formation in Wrangellia, and dissimilar to volcanic and sedimentary rocks of the Alexander and Stikine terranes (MacIntyre, 1986). The MORB characteristics of volcanic rocks hosting Anyox deposits, associated deep-water lithologies, and overlying fine-grained sedimentary successions indicates deposition in an oceanic environment at the end of a period of effusive volcanism.

#### CU-ZN: BESSHI-TYPE

Besshi-type copper-zinc deposits in British Columbia (Table 5-2, Figure 5-13) include the lower Paleozoic Goldstream deposit north of Revelstoke, the True Blue deposit on the west side of Kootenay Lake and the Granduc mine northwest of Stewart. Windy-Craggy, located in the St. Elias Mountains in northwestern British Columbia also has some similarities with this class of deposit. Both the Granduc and Windy-Craggy deposits are in Late Triassic rocks.

Property (Operator)	MINFILE Number	Mining Division	NTS	Commodity	Deposit Type	Work Done
Silvana Mine (Treminco Bes. (1d.)	082FNW050	Slocan	82F/14	Ag, Pb, Zn, Cd	Vein	2 ddh, 1046 m; 6 u/g ddh, 1098 m
Silver Dawn (Rock Creek Res. Ltd.)	082ESE113	Greenwood	82E/2W	Pb, Zn, Ag	Replacement	30 ddh, 2030 m
Star (Barkhor Res. Inc.)	082FSE089	Nelson	82F/1E	Ag, Pb, Zn	Sedex/vein	9 ddh, 4082 m
Steeples (Bull River Mine) (R.H. Stanfield Group)	082GNW002	Fort Steele	82G/11W	Cu, Ag, Au	Vein	12 ddh, 5550 m; rtd, 1200 m
Strawberry Flats (Cameco)		Trail Creek	82F/4W	Au	Skam	5 ddh, 430 m; 8 trenches; geochem
Sullivan Two (White Knight Res.)	082FSE077	Nelson	82F/2E	Pb, Zn, Ag	Sedex	9 ddh, 1500 m
Surelock (Mountain Minerals Co. Ltd.)		Golden	82K/9W	Ba	Fault breccia	bulk sample; exploration adit; mapping; peochem
Taylor Pit (Fording Coal Ltd.)	082JSE009	Fort Steele	82J/2W	Coal		9 rdh, 1808 m
True Blue (Minequest Expln. Assoc. Ltd.)	082FNE002	Siocan	82F/15W	Cu, Ag, Zn, Au	Stratabound massive sulphide	1ddh
Vine (Kokanee Expin. Ltd.)	082GSW035	Fort Steele	82G/5W	Pb, Zn, Cu	Vein	39 ddh, 8000 m
Whitewater (Teck Corp.)	082FSW222	Nelson	82F/6W	Au	Breccia	5 ddh, 650 m; geochem; geophys
Wilds Creek (Kokanee Expin. Ltd.)	082FSE005	Neison	82F/2E	Zn	Stratabound	5 ddh, 1464 m
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Bruno (Doromin Res. Ltd.)	092L 229	Nanaimo	92L/1E	Cu, Ag, Au	Veins	11 ddh, 1400 m
Chemainus/Holyoak (Falconbridge Ltd.)	092B 037	Victoria	92B/13W, 92C16E	Au, Ag, Zn, Cu, Po	VMS	24 ddh, 7202 m; geophys
Cimadoro (Doromin Res. Ltd.)	103F 052	Skeena	103F/1E, W	Zn, Pb, Cu, Au, Ag	Sedex?	9 ddh
Debbie (Westmin Res. Ltd.)	092F 078	Alberni	92F/2E, 7E	Au, Ag	Shears, Qtz-vein stockwork	4 ddh, 240 m; trenching; geophys
Expo(Hushamu) (Moraga Res. Ltd.)	092L 185	Nanaimo	92L/12W	Cu, Mo, Au	Porphyry	19 ddh, 4267 m; geophys; geochem; mapping
Harrison Gold(Abo) (Bema Gold Corp.)	092HSW092	New West.	92H/5E, W	AU	Vein stockwork	7 ddh, 2106 m
Lara (Minnova inc.)	092B 110	Victoria	92B/13W	Au, Ag, Zn, Pb, Ag	VMS	49 ddh, 11 167 m; geophys; geochem
Merry Widow (Noranda Expin. Co. Lid.)	092L 044	Nanaimo	92L/6E, W	Au, Ag, Cu	Skarn, manto	geophys; geochem; mapping; drilling
Mount Sicker (Minnova Inc.)	0928 001	Victoria	92B/13E, 13W	Cu, Au, Ag, Pb, Zn	VMS	14 ddh, 2400 m
Mount Washington (Better Res. Ltd.)	092F 116	Nanaimo	92F/11E, W: 14W	Au, Ag, Cu	Epithermal veins, Breccias	6 ddh, 284.4 m
Quet (Noranda Expin, Co. Ltd.)	092GNE027	New West.	92G/9W, 16W	Au, Ag, Zn, Pib. Cu	Veins, replacement	7 ddh, 1251.9 m; geophys; geochem; mapping
Red Dog (Moraga Res. Ltd.)	092L 200	Nanaimo	92L/12W	Cu, Au, Mo	Porphyry	10 ddh, 1890 m
Seneca (Minnova Inc.)	092HSW013	New West.	92H/5W	Cu, Zn, Pb, Au, Ag	VMS	geochem; mapping; drilling
Southeaster (Clear Creek Res. Ltd.)	103G 004	Skeena	103F/8E, 103G/5	Au, Ag	Epithermal Veins, Breccias	18 ddh, 940 m; trenching
Spud Valley (McAdam Res. Inc.)	092L 211	Alberni	92L/2W	Au, Ag	Veins	u/g drifting; bulk sampling; pilot mill

92F/7W, 10W

92L/12E. W

Coal

Cu, Mo, Au

Sedimentary

Porphyry

drilling

17 rcdh, 1867 m

(Moraga Res. Ltd.)

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 percussion drill hole
 reverse circulation drill hole
 rotary drill hole
 diamond drill hole pcdh rcdh

Tsable River (Western Canadian Mining Corp.)

rdh

ddh VMS

= Volcanogenic massive sulphide

092F 333

092L 087

Nanaimo

Nanaimo

= ground = underground = surface

grd u/g sfc

grade, large-tonnage porphyry deposit. The property is underlain by hornblende diorite, Elise Formation tuffs, agglomerate and feldspar porphyry. Alteration is variably propylitic, pyritic, silicic and potassic. The mineralogy consists of pyrite, chalcopyrite and magnetite but magnetite is not coincident with sulphides. Chalcopyrite occurs in stringers and disseminations, often with calcite or quartz. Further drilling is expected to test the extent of low-grade mineralization.

#### VEIN

At the southern border of Kokanee Glacier Park Cove Resources Corporation drilled the eastern extension of the Alpine vein and a subparallel vein, the Gold Crown, to the south. Immediately west of Nelson, Winchester Developments drilled the Nevada vein.

Quartz veins related to shears were also drilled on the Clearwater and Joe properties. One hole on the Clearwater returned 13.4 grams per tonne gold over 2.3 metres.

On the Clubine Comstock property on the east side of the Hall syncline, north of Salmo, Yellowjack Resources Ltd. exposed a 0.3-metre vein in trenches; the best assay ran 55 per cent lead and 2185 grams per tonne silver. This high-grade vein, hosted by the Hall Formation, will be drilled in 1991. Earlier drilling had followed a quartz vein.

On the Rely property, between Nelson and Castlegar, gold occurs with pyrite and pyrrhotite in erratic vein-like zones within a section of hornfelsed Archibald Formation siltstones and interbedded felsic to intermediate volcanics. Pegasus Gold Inc. drilled an induced polarization anomaly but with less encouraging results than in 1989 when up to 8.74 grams per tonne gold was intercepted over 6.1 metres.

On the Whitewater property, Teck Corporation drilled a breccia in Rossland Group rocks, near the contact with Nelson intrusive rocks, with inconclusive results.

In the Rossland camp Antelope Resources renewed drilling on the Rossland claims late in the year, focusing on the Bluebird and New North areas in the south belt. A large (62-metre) interval of lead-zinc mineralization was intersected in one hole and a narrow high-grade gold-silver zone in another (0.37 metres of 376 grams per tonne silver, 14.5 per cent lead, 7.5 per cent zinc and 10.3 grams per tonne gold). Traditional mineralization on this claim block consists of massive pyrrhotite-chalcopyrite shoots in altered monzonite and Elise Formation volcanics. Interestingly, gold occurs with arsenopyrite but not necessarily with the massive sulphide content.

Southwest of Rossland, at the Midnight mine, underground development continued on quartz veins and about 1500 tonnes of ore was hauled to a mill in Northport, Washington.

#### SKARN

North of Nancy Greene Park, in an area underlain by Mount Roberts Formation CAMECO drill-tested two areas in which trenching had exposed massive pyrite-pyrrhotite mineralization with elevated gold values in skarn.

#### OTHER

In the Salmo camp, Yellowjack Resources Ltd. pursued gold in Lower Paleozoic limestones and phyllites on the **Ore Hill-Summit** property. Sulphides, including sphalerite, galena, and chalcopyrite (minor), and free gold are present in crackle zones confined to the more carbonate-rich facies. Results of drilling in three holes returned values of 6.24 to 12.48 grams per tonne gold in intervals of 2 to 3 metres. Old mine workings nearby exploited a rich polymetallic quartz-siderite vein.

## SLOCAN AREA (KASLO-NEW DENVER-SLOCAN)

At the Silvana silver-lead-zinc mine, drilling from surface and underground pursued the faulted western extension of the lode structure and tested the ground between the Silvana mine and Carnation workings without much success.

Avril Explorations Ltd. opened up, mapped and sampled levels 2, 3, 5 and 5A on the Grey Copper vein (a high-grade zinc vein) located near the former mining town of Cody.

Kokanee Explorations Ltd. drilled the Hope prospect which consists of a skarned pendant of the Slocan Group within the Nelson plutonic suite. Potential for extension of modest reserves is limited.

The Millie Mack property, site of an extensive program in 1989 by Dragoon Resources Ltd., underwent limited drilling without much success.

The True Blue massive sulphide prospect, hosted by the Upper Paleozoic Milford Group, was tested by a single hole by QPX Minerals Inc. This prospect of banded massive pyrite-pyrrhotite-chalcopyrite up to 1.2 metres thick warrants further work.

## MEMORANDUM

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FROM:	Jim Oliver (Teck)
DATE:	May 8, 1992 June
RE:	True Blue Property: Slocan Mining Division, N.T.S. 82F/15W, Lt. 49 53'

**SUMMARY**: Copper rich massive sulphides develop at the transition between late Paleozoic Milford and Kaslo group rocks at or near a volcanic-sediment transition. All rocks have been strongly penetratively deformed by two deformational events. A series of exhalitive horizons cross the flank of True Blue Mountain at approximately the 1500 m elevation datum. The horizons may be zoned from base metal poor, Mn rich to the north, to base and precious metals enhanced near the True Blue showing. Two massive sulphide lenses combine to form thicknesses of up to 1.2 m's and have produced 90 tons of ore grading 8.9% Cu, 58.6 g/T Ag, and 1.3 g/T Au.

**RECOMMENDATION**: The property owner should be approached and the conditions and terms of a potential option agreement investigated. The property should be aquired with the intention of immediately testing the D1 down plunge extension of the True Blue massive sulphide lense with 3 to 4 boreholes.

**LAND POSITION:** The True Blue property consists of eleven mineral claims, one fractional mineral claim, and two reverted Crown Grants, Figure 1.

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**OWNERSHIP:** The claims are held by Otto and Otakar Janout of Whiterock.

**LOCATION AND ACCESS**: The True Blue property is located on the east slope of True Blue mountain, five kilometres soutwest of Kaslo, B.C. Elevation ranges from 625 metres in the True Blue valley to 2135 metres on the peak of True Blue Mountain. The property is road accessisable to within one kilometre of the main showning.

**TARGET TYPE**: The property is an example of a volcanogenic massive sulphide potentially of a Besshi type affinity.

<u>GEOLOGICAL SETTING:</u> The property is underlain by the Mississppian age Milford and older Kaslo groups. The Milford may be correlative with Fennel and Slide Mountain rocks. A gradational contact exists between the dominantly sedimentary Milford rocks and the more volcanic Kaslo group. This contact occurs at approximately the 1600 metre elevation datum on True Blue Mountain. Within the Milford group are a series of agillites and interbedded pyritic to manganiferous cherts and exhalites which increase in frequency toward the upper volcanic (Kaslo) contact. Volcanic rocks include massive foliated mafic flows, chlorite schists and potentially subvolcanic intrusions. Felsic tuffaceous sequences are also identified. Geological relations in the area of the True Blue adits are shown on Figure 2.

Beds are west to southwest dipping at moderate angles, 30 to 40 degrees. Beds are isoclinally folded by two major fold events. The earliest of these (D1) generates tight fold structures which are south-southwest plunging at moderate angles, 20 -----> 200. D1 minor folds are shown on Plate 1. Smaller scale D2 structures rotate the earlier linear fabrics into moderate east or west directed plunges. D2 folds are shown on Plate 2. Sterographic data, Figure 3 clearly shows that earlier south plunging rock fabics are rotated by later smaller scale folds. It is critical to note that the overall plunge direction remains to the south-southwest at moderate angles.

<u>**MINERALIZATION AND ALTERATION**</u>: Two massive sulphide lenses are identified at the True Blue occurrence. Where they are exposed they range in thickness from 25 to 35 cm's. Mining records suggests thicknesses of up to 1.2 m's were encountered. These lenses are very copper rich and sometimes demonstrate well defined zinc rich layers. Material which was mined had an average grade of 8.9% Cu, 1 - 2% Zn, < 0.5% Pb, 58.6 g/T Ag and 1.3 g/T Au. A distinctive zonation exists across all mineralized horizons on this property with Mn and Ba contents in exhalitive horizons increasing distally to away from main showning.

Massive sulphides exposed in the west rib of the upper adit are shown in Plate 3 and a more distal manganiferous chert horizon in Plate 4.

The main massive sulphide lens is overlain by 1.0 to 2.0 m's of strongly sericitized and weakly pyritic volcanic tuffs possibly of felsic origin. Although the sulphide lenses decrease in the more distant portions of the True Blue underground workings the hangingwall alteration does not diminish. Alteration levels are similar at the collar of the adit, Plate 5, and 40 m's into the mine workings, Plate 6. The underground workings at True Blue are cut by a large number of faults. Well defined thrust and extensional faults mapped in the lower adit (Figure 4) were also noted in the upper adit. Some of these structures may be partially responsible for the termination of ore at the True Blue.

**PREVIOUS WORK**: The True Blue has been the recipient of detailed geochemical, ground and airbourne geophysical, and geological mapping. The occurrence has produced 90 tons of high grade ore. One 135 m drill hole has been drilled on this property.

## **RECOMMENDATION RATIONALE:**

There are several points to consider in the evaluation of this property:

- A. Negative Parameters
  - 1. The known massive sulphide lenses are small and have modest alteration development.
  - 2. Geophysical and geochemical data are not definitive in defining a discrete geophysical or geochemical target.
  - 3. The occurrence is hosted by a belt of rocks not typically associated with other VMS occurrences.
  - 4. The single borehole drilled on this property, and tested with a down hole geophysical system has met with negative results.
- B. Postive Parameters
  - 1. Although the known lenses are small, significant rock alteration persists throughout the known workings of the mine and exists in the absense of known sulphide development. Manganiferous horizons, sometimes with anomalous barite, are laterally persistant.
  - 2. The sulphide lenses develope very close to a volcanic sediment contact. This conductive contact may tend to mask an EM signature related to massive sulphides.

- 3. Although the Kaslo Milford Groups do not have past production from known VMS deposits two other copper rich massive sulphides are known in the Kaslo area and are hosted by a similar rock package.
- 4. The single borehole drilled on this property has been drilled at an azimuth of 060 degrees in an attempt to intersect the down plunge extension of the True Blue mineralized zone. This azimuth is directed toward D2 fold plunges. The primary control on the distibution of sulphides at True Blue is from D1 plunges. These structures plunge 20 degrees towards 200 degrees. In essense, every foot that this borehole penetrates takes it farther away from its presumed target.
- 5. The True Blue zone is outlined by a large cylindical Mise a la Masse anomaly of approximately 300 m's in strike length. I do not believe that the thin sedimentary beds intersected in the borehole drilled are the cause of this conductor. Virtually none of the core in this borehole has been split. No trace element indicators have been intersected in this borehole to suggest that the main True Blue zone has been penetrated.

The True Blue is an untested massive sulphide occurrence. It warrants drill testing. A single drill collar positioned at approximately L 99+25 E and L 104+25 N could be used to initiate 3 drill holes drilled at azimuths of 015, 045, and 075 degrees. Approximately 450 metres of thin wall BQ drilling would be required.

I would estimate that this program would stand about a 10% percent chance of intersecting massive sulphides as good as, or better than, those currently known at the True Blue.

Jim Oliver

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# By Leach 0-2. 1988 LEGEND NELSON-KASLO INTRUSIVES Granitic rocks, pre-deformation SLOCAN GROUP Black phyllites KASLO GROUP (Upper Plate) Dark green to black finely porphyritic augite (?) basalts; green, vaguely porphyritic basaltic (?) andesites. Deep green to black , highly magnetic , serpentinized ultramatics . Whitewater Thrust Fault KASLO GROUP (Lower Plate) Dioritic intrusives : medium to coarse grained dykes, sills and stocks, often highly folded, sheared and foliated. May be in part extrusive, c/f following unit. Includes thin rusty amphibolite units. Green andesitic to black basaltic (?) flows and volcani-clastics, may be in part intrusive, c/f preceeding unit. Dark green ultramafics c/f those in Upper Plate rocks; may be feeders. Black cherty sediments - see below Cherts or exhalites - see below NOTE: The bottom of the Lower Plate Kaslo assemblage is defined as the point at which volcanic rocks become predominant. The contact with the underlying Milford Group is gradational, and may be in part a lateral facies change.

MILFORD GROUP (MCHARDY ASSEMBLAGE)

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