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Subject: Houle Weekly Report for August 4-10, 2000

Prospectors Assistance Grantees:

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David Haughton (P.7) - Harrison Lake Area:

Field program completed, with substantially more sulphide-bearing pyroxenite-hornblendite showings found both SW of and west of the Discovery Creek showing on the Jason claims; self potential survey yielded 2 significant anomalies east of Discovery Creek; all very encouraging!

Ed McCrossan (P.35) - Tahish Inlet:

Work deferred until September due to client work this summer; plans to commence in September, beginning with visits to Island Copper and Privateer - a good start!; will assist to arrange and/or accompany on tours.

Arne Birkland (P.50) - Tofino Area:

Confirmed upcoming visit on August 15 to former Tofino Nickel property, now called Deer Bay Project; Notice of Work pending for mechanical exploration work by grantee.

Other Clients:

Efrem Specogna - Dragon Property, Gold River Area:

Confirmed plans to visit Muchalat Creek area Sicker Group rhyolite showing on the Dragon Property along with Boliden exploration geologists Sean McKinley and Dean Crick (and Efrem) on August 14.

Pacrim Information Systems - Yew Property / Bolivar Mill, Texada Island:

Press release issued August 8 regarding bulk sampling of gold ore from Yew pit to be processed at the Bolivar Mill; several mineralized rock samples cut for further analysis.

Apple Bay

Jo Shearer Apple Bay Geyserite Project, Coal Harbour Area:

Public meeting tentatively scheduled for this project on September 13 at Coal Harbour; attendance by Mines Branch personnel has been suggested by Jo as desirable.

Other Work:

Boliden-Westmin Myra Falls Mine - Lynx Pit Study:

Requested by Mines Branch staff to review possible sterilization of deepest ~35,000 of ~70,000 tonne total inventory in Lynx open pit deepening project due to proposed backfilling of the pit with tailings after extraction of upper ~35,000 tonnes; the question seems to be whether the lower mineral inventory has been deemed uneconomic due to poor ground conditions or other mining challenges (valid), or due to tailings scheduling problems (possibly solvable); additional data pending from Mine Geology staff, who support this review process by the Mines Branch.

Myra Falls

Sea to Sky Region Geo-hazard Study:

Additional references received and reviewed for this ongoing study on behalf of Mines Branch staff; Geological Survey Branch experts are either in the field working on the Sea to Sky Aggregate Potential Mapping Project, or on vacation at this time; there is much existing data to assimilate and to compile for this study.

Strathcona Park Minfile Study:

Compilation of existing minfile occurrences in the park to be completed prior to planned tour with Mines Branch

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ISSUES:

- BCAL has investigated the illegal construction of an access road across Crown land to the proposed Fraser Valley Properties Quarry on Sumas Mountain, and is considering imposing a \$50,000 performance bond for the use of the road. A public meeting is expected to be scheduled in September for the proposed quarry, and a permit decision will likely follow before year-end.
- The Van Isle Tree Farm application for a rock quarry on Sooke Road in Metchosin has been finalized and is in the process of interagency referral and public notification. This application is expected to be very controversial, and strongly opposed by the District of Metchosin and local residents.
- Stability concerns about a waste soil dump in the Allard Contractors Ltd. Pit "A" on Pipeline Road in Coquitlam were investigated by regional and Geotechnical Section staff. A dump stability assessment and detailed dump design have been ordered.

FYI:

- Boliden Westmin has finally obtained DFO approval to commence the second phase of the Myra Falls tailings dam seismic upgrade project, and water levels in Myra Creek have receded to acceptable levels. Equipment should be mobilized at the site by August 21st.
- An open house and public meeting for the Apple Bay Geyserite Project has been tentatively scheduled for September 13, 2000 at Coal Harbour.
- J. Houle is working with Boliden Westmin geology staff to assess the potential sterilization of up to 35,000 tonnes of ore in Lower Lynx Pit, prior to proposed backfilling of the pit with tailings.

Apple Bay
Myra Falls

ADMIN:

- T. Hall is on vacation until September 5th. Greg Carriere will be acting Regional Manager during his absence (250-751-7376).

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ISSUES:

- Proposed expansion of the Shawnigan Lake Sand & Gravel Ltd. pit operation near Shawnigan Lake has drawn loud opposition and charges of previous environmental pollution from local residents. A community meeting was held earlier this week, and opposition is expected to escalate.
 - Several expropriated mineral properties within Strathcona Provincial Park were inspected to assess outstanding reclamation liabilities as part of the Strathcona Compensation Project. Significant reclamation effort is required at Casamera's Sherwood Mine property and at Tom Kirk's Musketeer/Buccaneer property. The costs of completing the required clean-up should be considered during compensation negotiations.
- The Homegold Resources Ltd. application for the proposed Apple Bay Geyserte project near Port Hardy has been put on hold pending submission of detailed mine plans. The proposal is for a 240,000 tonne/year silica-alumina quarry, with a potential 30-year mine life.
- Following a joint site inspection of the Hardy Island Granite property, BC Parks and Sunshine Coast Regional District have indicated they will oppose the Phase 3 expansion plan. BC Parks are concerned about visual impacts of the quarry on the nearby Musket Island Marine Park, and SCR D are concerned about a zoning conflict, as well as noise and dust.

Apple Bay

FYI:

Coal

- Priority Ventures Ltd. are proposing a deep drilling coal exploration program (500 - 600 metre depths) in the Courtenay area to investigate the entire sedimentary sequence in that area.

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Prospectors Assistance Grantees:

- **Prospectors Showcase at 2001 Cordilleran Roundup:** Murray McClaren (P.11) decided not to submit a presentation for Prospectors Showcase, reducing participation from the Southwest Region to 5 of the 22 total.

Other Clients:

- **Beau Pre Exploration Valentine Mountain Project, Victoria area:** Definition diamond drilling program on Discovery Zone completed, with 8 holes totaling approximately 300 m.; also, trenches blasted on same zone to produce feed for dry gravity separation plant to be installed on site early in 2001.
- **Dave McLelland, prospector working on Kleanza Creek, Terrace area (NW Region):** Prospector from Nanaimo area visited the Nanaimo Office to learn more about general prospecting, MapPlace, etc.; has been working primarily looking for metallic mineralization in the Kleanza Creek area near Terrace during summers.
- **Clark & Duker Dude Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au Property, Texada Island:** Contact received from geologist Harry Muntanion of BHP's Vancouver Office, who was reviewing a property submission from prospector Bob Duker for the Dude property; Harry previously worked on exploration at Island Copper for BHP.
- **International Jaguar Equities N.W. Copper and Cheetah Properties, Bella Coola Area:** Contact received from president Andrew Smith, who indicated that his company intends to focus on newly acquired properties in the Bella Coola area over the next 3-5 years, primarily as a result of the pending geological mapping and mineral deposit studies in the area by Bert Struik of the G.S.C. and Larry Diakow of the G.S.B.
- **Tilbury Cement / Homegold Resources Pem 100 (Apple Bay) Silica Project, Port Hardy Area:** Invitation received from Jo Shearer to attend a project open house presentation at Port Hardy on February 14, 2001.

Ministry Projects:

- **Cordilleran Exploration Roundup 2001 Update:** Poster presentation for Roundup completed today, with extra copies mounted in the meeting room for viewing by staff and visitors; Preliminary Highlights handout completed and copied (50), plus well as coloured handouts (50) of the compilation of the Harrison Lake - Hope Area PGE Exploration Activity; Vancouver Island Land Use Plan poster and coloured handouts (50) completed by Dorthe Jakobsen; commitments for Roundup: hockey (Monday), poster session (Tuesday & Thursday), TLC Meeting with Minister Robertson (Tuesday), Reception with Minister (Tuesday), BC Night serving (Thursday).
- **CRII-Funding Sunshine Coast Geology Proposal:** Completed and submitted proposal for CRII-funded geological work for the Sunshine Coast LRMP area during 2001-02; consists of a review of porphyry Cu-Mo-Au mineralization in the area, including site visits to Minfiles and some baseline work around them as required; includes a student assistant 0.3 FTE; southern portion targeted for year 1, with the north left for year 2; contact established with Chris Ash of the GSB to discuss ideas at Roundup.
- **Mid-Island Geoscape Poster Update:** Met with small local working group plus visiting experts Bob Turner, John Clague and Chris Yorath on January 13 at Malaspina College in Nanaimo; much progress made on conceptual design of poster and accompanying website, to be patterned after Vancouver and Victoria projects; commitment made to work on a Coal Mining panel along with local geologists Dave Pawliuk and Tim Stokes.
- **Aboriginal Relations Branch Visit:** Visit to Nanaimo Office by Sandra Kilmartin, Shelley Guthrie and Trent

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Prospectors Assistance Program:

- **David Pawliuk P.16 PGE Exploration, Zeballos Area:** Tentative plans made to visit Dave Pawliuk in Zeballos on June 12-13, 2001 in conjunction with visit to Newmex's Privateer Project; David began his field project on June 7, and may have some consulting work with Newmex on the Privateer Project as well during the summer.
- **Gary Thompson P.14 PGE Exploration, Sooke Area:** Field project start deferred from June to July due to a suddenly acquired consulting contract in June.

Mineral Exploration Activity:

- **2001 Activity Forecast:** First pass completed on forecast, with 31 active exploration projects totaling about \$6.5 million (\$3 million in 2000) anticipated in the SW Region for 2001, of which 15 could exceed the major project threshold of \$100,000 in expenditures (there were only 3 major projects in 2000!); additional major industrial mineral projects planned as follows:
 - **Homegold Resources Lang Bay Germanium-Gallium Project, Powell River Area:** \$200,000 expenditures planned, pending acquisition of a partner.
 - **Paul Watt Matrix 1 Dimension Stone Project, Abbotsford Area:** \$150,000 expenditures planned, including 10,000 tonne bulk sample.
 - **Rock of Salvation "Salvation" Talc-Magnesite Project, Lytton Area:** \$250,000 expenditures planned, including stripping, trenching and product testing.
 - **Tilbury/Electra/Homegold PEM100 Silica/Kaolin Project, Port Hardy Area:** \$100,000 expenditures planned for quarry development, pending resolution of potential ARD issue.

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Newmex Privateer Au Project, Zeballos Area: Tentative plans made to visit underground workings and surface grid areas of Privateer project on June 12-13, 2001; spectacular gold samples have recently been extracted from the 3A Vein underground workings; Newmex has indicated that they may be looking to sell or find a partner for the Privateer Project.

SYMC Mctush Cu-Zn-Mo-Au-Ag Project, Port Alberni Area: Press release made on June 7 by SYMC regarding trench bulk sample results and the status of diamond drilling of several Au-Ag-Cu-Zn bearing quartz veins on the Mctush Project; a 50 lb. composite bulk sample from trenching yielded head grades of 0.425opt Au, 1.74opt Ag, 0.05% Cu and 3.1% Zn.

Alan Francis Rock Cu-Pb-Zn-Au-Ag/Jasper/Travertine Project, Chemainus Area: Site visit made June 6 with prospector/owner Alan Francis of Nanaimo Bay to undocumented showings of pyrite-sericite schist, possible sulphidic exhalite, jasper and travertine hosted by Paleozoic Sicker Group volcanics and located 10km northwest and along strike of the Lara developed prospect (Minfile 092B 129), immediately northwest of Falconbridge's former Chemainus Joint Venture Project (re. Falconbridge files from Vancouver MDO?); 5 select grab samples taken for multi-element analyses, including 2 for cutting and whole rock analyses (jasper and travertine); numerous large unreclaimed trenches created by a previous owner exist in the pyrite-sericite schist showings; spectacular exposures of jasper have minor trenching by a previous owner; travertine showing is of possible dimension stone interest; also, open shaft discovered by Mr. Francis along River Road near Chemainus.

- **Wayne Baas Akunamatata Au-Ag-Cu-Pb-Zn Project, Cowichan Lake Area:** Site visit made on June 7 with prospector/owner Wayne Baas of Cowichan Lake to the site of an existing manual hobby mine extracting sulphidic quartz dump material from outside an old exploration adit which could be at or near the Gold Dyke showing (Minfile 092C 042); the adit is open and extends horizontally from a hillside for about 10 m. ESE with a crosscut of 5m. and a caved and flooded winze near the portal apparently driven on vein at an inclination of 50 degrees SSW; the 2m. thick polymetallic quartz-chalcopyrite-sphalerite-galena vein tested by the adit appears to be truncated by a fault along the crosscut; the workings are allegedly date from the time of the Crofton smelter, and material may have been hand-cobbed for visual copper content and shipped to Crofton; the vein is hosted in probable Jurassic Bonanza

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Prospectors Assistance Program:

- **Mikkel Schau P.91 Schoen Lake Area PGE Project Update:** On July 26, visits were made to two new non-PGE occurrences discovered and staked by Mikkel over the past year while searching for PGE-rich sulphide cumulates at the base of the Triassic Karmutson volcanics in the Schoen Lake area of Northern Vancouver Island; the Flan Au occurrence discovered and staked late in the 2000 P.95 program was visited and sampled; it consists of a very thin quartz-carbonate shear with pyrite+gold bearing dilatant zones which last year yielded 2 opt. Au from a bedrock grab sample in a forestry roadcut, capped by a flat-lying silica pyrite (low sulphide epithermal?) zone of unknown size with disseminated pyrite; the Kringle Cu occurrence was also discovered last year but staked in 2001, and is a spectacular skarn zone exposed the Highway 19 roadcut near Sayward; it consists of magnetite-marble breccia with small pods of massive pyrrhotite, chalcopyrite and bornite close to a feldspar porphyry stock; both new occurrences were sampled, photographed and located by GPS for MINFILE.
- **Dan Blower P.68 Philips Arm/Knight Inlet Polymetallic Project Update:** Preliminary exploration completed on some target areas, but unexpected staking by others has taken place over many of the Knight Inlet area targets and MINFILE occurrences; a tentative site visit is planned pending helicopter availability from Cambell River for 1-2 days at the end of the project on Aug. 12-13.
- **Gary Thompson P.14 Jordan River Area PGE Project Update:** Preliminary exploration completed, including ground geophysics (self potential), geochemistry and prospecting; additional work planned in August-October, pending other contracts.
- **David Haughton P.6 Harrison Lake Area PGE Project Update:** Site visit planned for July 30 to Jason claims, where David has delineated the self potential anomaly to an area of 250m by 350m.
- **Murray McClaren P.53 Harrison Lake Area PGE Project Update:** Site visit planned for July 31 to Sable claims and vicinity, where Murray and assistant Paul Metcalf have located a new area of Ni-Cu-Pt-Pd mineralization.
- **Jeffery Bucove P.15 Leech River Area Au Project Update:** Continuing to prospect upstream along Criss Creek and its tributaries using moss mat sampling and concentrate panning techniques; thanks to Ray Lett for technical assistance provided to Jeffery.

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Mineral Exploration Activity:

- **Northstar Mining Texada Island Dude Cu-Au-Mo Project Update:** Contact received from geological consultant Barney Bowen who has been retained by Northstar to review the economic potential for porphyry type mineralization on the Dude Property.
- **Homegold Resources Nimpkish Lake Area Smiley/White Limestone Project Update:** Notice of work submitted by Homegold for small scale, shallow diamond drilling programs targeting white limestone on two separate claim blocks.
- **Homegold Resources Apple Bay Kaolinite Project Update:** Notice of work re-submitted by Homegold for small scale, shallow diamond drilling program targeting kaolinite potential peripheral to the silica target area previously tested by holes and test pitting.

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Ministry Activity:

- **Regional Geologists' Meeting at Harrison Hot Springs:** Planning completed, venue booked, and memos issued for 2 days of field excursions and a 1 day meeting during October 16-18 at Harrison Hot Springs.

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Industry Activity:

- **Boliden-Westmin Myra Falls Operation Update:** Mining and milling operations resumed at the Myra Falls massive sulphide mine on March 23, with a reduced workforce and milling rate of 3100 tpd; the former Chief Geologist, Ivor McWilliams, is now Mine Superintendent. Finlay Bakker is acting Chief Geologist, and several mine geologists left the mine during the 4 month shutdown to find work elsewhere, leaving a vacancy which they are trying to fill; Exploration Geologist Sean McKinley has been re-assigned to Mine Geology, and no exploration is planned at the mine by Boliden in 2002 as part of the fiscal restraint program aimed at achieving profitability by the third quarter of 2002; to preserve capital, the mine has reached an agreement with Outokumpu to lease and operate a new paste backfill plant at Myra Falls; the Myra Falls Operation is still looking for custom high grade sulphide mill feed (delivered) to meet their 4000 tpd mill capacity, and is also still for sale by Boliden.
- **Shearer/Lehigh North Vancouver Island Update:** Jo Shearer of Homegold and Ron Savelief of Lehigh Cement are investigating new opportunities in North Vancouver Island for both industrial minerals and precious metals; advice was provided to them on geophysical data compilation options for both target types; several new claims were staked in the area between the former Island Copper Mine and Hushamu/Red Dog prospects, as Moraga/BHP allow claims to lapse; In 2002, a 2000 tonne bulk sample of magnetite ore is planned from Shearer's Iron Ross property near Sayward; and a 600 meter drilling program is planned targeting kaolinite at the Pem 100 project on the Apple Bay property near Port Hardy; work is also planned at the Lang Bay germanium-gallium project near Sechelt.
- **Jun Benaventura South Coast Area Granite Inquiry:** Advice provided to Singapore-funded group through Surrey-based contact Jun Benaventura regarding possible granite dimension stone opportunities in the South Coast area for Chinese markets; ministry website and G.S.B. contacts and information provided, along with competitor information.

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Government/Ministry Activity:

- **Southwest B.C. Property Listing Update:** The islands portion of the property listing will be completed today and copies brought to KEGS for distribution to clients; the MapPlace/Minfile/MiDA based listing will be very useful for identifying both client acquisition opportunities and for developing a systematic exploration activity forecast system for the region.
- **KEG Conference April 8-12 Update:** Preparations being completed today for KEG conference presentations April 9-10; Geochemistry short course being taken April 11-12.

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Industry Activity:

- **Better Resources Campbell River Area Blue Grouse (MINFILE 092F358) Cu Project Update:** Project site visited and core drilling program reviewed with Cliff Rennie, President of Better Resources on June 4: 842' (257m.) in 2 holes (-90, -45) completed targeting down-dip projection of surface magnetite-copper skarn showing; both holes successfully intercepted 20' core intercepts of 0.5-2% chalcopyrite and chalcocite in epidote-gamet-kspar altered Jurassic Bonanza volcanics; core being logged at time of visit, with sampling to follow; 2 samples were taken from the surface showing for cutting, viewing and possible analyses.
- **Hillsborough Quinsam East Campbell River Area (MINFILE 092F319) Coal/CBM Project Update:** Hillsborough is planning a 5 hole, 2000 m. exploration drilling program at Quinsam East targeting both coal and coal bed methane, with \$500,000 budgeted for 2002; this includes 3 conventional core holes with desorption testing of core, and if that is successful, 2 fully cased coal bed methane test holes; Hillsborough is looking for a funding partner for the C.B.M. portion of the project; they are not planning any exploration at the Quinsam Mine in 2002; they are also negotiating with Weldwood to defer the expenditure commitments for the T'Sable River project, with view to completing a more systematic exploration program on the T'Sable River property; former contract geologist Stephen Gardner has been appointed Director of Exploration for Quinsam Coal Corporation.
- **Homegold/Electra Gold Port Hardy Area Apple Bay (MINFILE 092L150) Kaolinite Project Update:** Jo Shearer, President of Homegold has indicated that Electra Gold Ltd. is securing funding for a \$100,000 drilling and bulk sampling program targeting kaolinite mineralization at the Apple Bay project; this is separate from the silica (chalky geyserite) mineralization previously explored by Homegold and Tilbury Cement (now Lehigh Cement).
- **John Stewart Powell River Area OK (MINFILE's 092K008, -057) Cu-Mo Project Update:** John Stewart has apparently acquired an interest in the O.K. Project from claim holders Bob Mickel and Mary Boylan; previous optionor Canquest Resources allowed the option to lapse, and the claims covering the 2 occurrences are due to lapse on June 15, 2002; the OK North deposit hosts resource estimates of 68-408 million tonnes @ 0.24-0.39%Cu, 0.009-0.02%Mo, and undetermined Re; the OK South deposit hosts high grade polymetallic intrusive breccias; this is one of the premier occurrences in the Central Coast LRMP area.

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Government/Ministry Activity:

- **Simon Fraser University Zeballos Stock Study Update:** Site visit completed to Zeballos on June 5 to meet S.F.U. MSc candidate Julianne Madsen and assistant, and Assistant Professor Dan Marshall, who are undertaking a study of the Tertiary plutons on Vancouver Island, including: Zeballos, Catface, Mt. Washington, Nanaimo Lakes, Mt. Patlicant (Pt. Alberni area); the purpose of the study is to determine the nature and path of the subducting spreading centre during the Tertiary period by studying the plutons which are thought to be derived from it; their work includes mapping, age-dating, and isotope studies; there may be implications to mineral exploration as many of these intrusive stocks are associated with significant metal-bearing deposits.
- **Malaspina College Geological Presentation June 19:** Request received and committed to present a geological overview of the mineral deposits of Vancouver Island on June 19 at Malaspina college primarily for visiting geology students from Mexico; this may provide an opportunity to include presentations from others as well and possibly to make it into a V.I.X. meeting; plans in progress.

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Industry/Client Activity:

- **Boliden-Westmin Campbell River Area Myra Falls Cu-Zn-Ag-Au Mine Update:** Boliden issued 3rd quarter results yesterday stating that both the company and the Myra Falls Operation made a profit during the quarter, as a result of cost-costing and increase productivity; Myra Falls (MINFILE 092F071,-072,-073,-330) reduced operating costs by 20% from 2001 levels, and produced 45% less Cu, 4% less Zn, 9% more Au and 52% more Ag than the 3rd quarter of 2001; all exploration work has been curtailed this year to help with cost-cutting.
- **Hillsborough Resources Campbell River Area Quinsam Coal Mine Update:** Hillsborough issued 3rd quarter results on Tuesday stating that the company achieved profitability during the quarter and the 9 month year to date period; the Quinsam Mine's (MINFILE 092F319) clean coal production for the quarter was 81,339 tonnes, and for the 9 month year to date period was 245,739 tonnes, reflecting increases of 8% and 5% respectively; although production costs increased and sales prices decreased, the company was able to maintain profitability during the quarter by selling rehabilitated mining equipment.
- **Electra Gold Port Hardy Area Apple Bay Kaolin Project Update:** Electra Gold recently reported successful settlement of outstanding debts through issuance of shares, fund-raising of \$300,000 by private placements of flowthrough and non-flowthrough shares, and acquisition of the Apple Bay (MINFILE 092L150,-269,-308) Kaolin-Silica project from Homegold Resources for shares and royalties; Jo Shearer of Homegold will become a director and VP Operations of Electra Gold, and work will proceed as previously indicated on a 550m. diamond drilling program at the Apple Bay project, and mill testing of cored and bulk sampled material from the project.
- **Saxony Explorations Klinaklini River Area Redbreast Project Update:** Saxony Exploration recently reported fund-raising of \$30,000 through private placement, which is earmarked for preliminary exploration of its Redbreast Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au project which covers MINFILE's 092N028,-029,-051,-063 along the east shore of the Klinaklini River.
- **Garex Harrison Lake- Hope Area Magmatic Cu-Ni-PGE Project Update:** Tentative field visit deferred from this week due to other priorities both for George Nicholson of Garex and myself; tentatively will re-schedule trip in early November with George or Dave Deering of Garex; property holders map still pending from George Nicholson, required to complete updated Harrison Lake - Hope Area Cu-Ni-PGEB Belt map with colour-coded mineral tenure draped over aeromagnetic data.

Government/Ministry Activity:

- **Vancouver Island Exploration Group Meeting Update:** Inaugural meeting for VIX Group set for October 30, 7-9 pm at the Nanaimo Campus of Malaspina College, Building 355 Room 203 as per the attached notice sent out today; unfortunately, Neil Swift, President of Priority Ventures Ltd, was unable to present something on his company's Coal Bed Methane projects on the island due to personal commitments, but is interested in presenting at a later date, possibly at the next meeting on Dec.4; I will update my presentation entitled "Vancouver Island Mineral Deposits", which will be posted to my directory in the ministry's Orchid I:drive prior to the presentation; notice issued to about 40 local prospectors/explorationists, and copied to selected MEM and GSB personnel.
- **Exploration and Mining in British Columbia - 2002 Update:** Cost accounts received from James Marshall of External Relations Branch, commitment received from Bill McMillan for editing, tentative commitment received from Janet Holland of the Geological Survey Branch for desktop publishing, and guidelines issued to authors including proposed timeline for completion prior to the Prospectors and Developers Convention in Toronto mid-March, 3

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- **555 Corporate Ventures Texada Island Loyal/Cortez Cu-Ag-Au Project Update:** 555 Corporate is planning a bulk sample of up to 10,000 tonnes of Cu skarn mineralization from the Cortez claims covering the Loyal (MINFILE 092F265) past producer, pending completion of a JV with a company yet to be named for expenditures of \$1 million over the next year, and fulfilling permit requirements.
- **I.G. Machine and Fiber/Homegold Chilliwack Area Slesse Limestone Project Update:** A 5000 tonne bulk sampling program was completed in July from one of the Slesse (MINFILE 092HSW088,-089) showings, incurring expenditures of \$110,000; test work is in progress.
- **Homegold/Stelling Sechelt Area Duck Lake Kaolin/Germanium/Gallium/Indium Project Update:** Pending completion of JV funding, a \$20,000 trenching and drilling program are planned for this residual kaolin project covering the Lang Bay (MINFILE 092F137) occurrence.
- **Clearview Minerals/Tri-Sil Minerals/Rudy Reipe Sechelt Area Mineral Hill/Sechelt Carbonate Projects Update:** A 6 hole, 1000 meter drilling program completed early in the year by Clearview Minerals on the Mineral Hill (MINFILE 092GNW052) property optioned from Tri-Sil Minerals yielded 91.2 meters of 50% wollastonite and 35% garnets, expending \$100,000; a further \$100,000 is targeted in 2002 for infrastructure development on the site, not included as exploration; also, an MSc thesis was recently completed on the occurrence under the guidance of Prof. Greg Dipple at UBC; at Reipe's Sechelt Carbonate, MC and SN (MINFILES 092GNW031,-35,-48) occurrences prospecting is planned for 2002 totaling \$30,000 and targeting Zn skarn, Cu skarn and porphyry Cu-Mo-Au mineralization; a site visit is planned for the week of Aug 12 to review both projects.
- **Huckleberry Stone Whistler Area Dimension Stone Projects Update:** Combined expenditures of \$200,000 are estimated for road access and 1-2,000 tonnes of bulk sampling of basalt material on 4 claim groups (Freeman, Lok, Rubble and Call) in 2002; Don Fraser of Huckleberry is also looking for a hard sandstone source in the Nanaimo area, for which it was suggested he contact stonemason Bill Child of Thetis Island who specializes in working with Nanaimo Group sandstone; further research to be done.
- **Mountain High Whistler Area Dimension Stone Projects Update:** Combined expenditures of \$120,000 are estimated for 1000 tonnes of bulk sampling and evaluation on 2 andesite/basalt claim groups (Gunsite and Spike) in 2002; Mountain High has also opened a new dimension stone factory in Pemberton where they are installing a hydra-splitter; Neil Finley of Mountain High is also looking for a source of clean, unfractured rhyolite; research to be done on this.
- **Hillsborough/Homegold JV Sayward Area Iron Ross Magnetite Project Update:** Hillsborough and Homegold are finalizing a JV agreement for Hillsborough to fund a \$75,000 trenching and drilling (350m.) program in 2002 at Homegold's Iron Ross Property covering the Iron Mike (MINFILE 092K043) showing in order to test the magnetite mineralization in the Fe-skarn for use in the coal processing plant at the Quinsam Mine; a site visit is tentatively planned with Jo Shearer later this summer/fall.
- **Benson Magnetics Port McNeil Area Benson Lake Magnetite Mine Waste Project Update:** Benson Magnetics is completing permit requirements for construction of a 25,000 tpy processing plant to recover magnetite from old mine dumps in the vicinity of past producers Iron Crown and Benson Lake (MINFILES 092L034,-091); capital expenditures of \$600,000 are planned for the project, to begin with 3 months' lead time after receipt of a permit.
- **Electra Gold/Homegold JV Port Hardy Area Apple Bay Kaolin Project Update:** A \$120,000 drilling (550m.) and mill testing program is planned for late 2002 targeting the epithermal kaolinite resource at the Apple Bay (MINFILES 092L150,-269,-308) Project; a site visit is tentatively planned with Jo Shearer later this fall/winter.
- **Newmex Zeballos Area Privateer Au-Ag-Cu Project Update:** A draft summary report covering Newmex's Zeballos area properties was received from Reno-based geological consultant Randy Hinkle for editing; it includes mineral resources estimates completed for many of the MINFILE occurrences held by Newmex (Privateer 092L008, Prident 092L009, Gold Field 092L011 and Mt. Zeballos 092L012) by Randy, which total 38,613 tons @ 0.40 opt Au in all categories using a dollar-inch grade+thickness modeling method, normalizing vein sampling to a 3 foot horizontal width; Randy has obtained long-forgotten data records from former owners Midal Capital of Toronto, and has used them along with recent work by geological consultant David Pawliuk of Nanoose to complete the report, and to propose exploration targets and programs; he has also incorporated both the replacement Au-Ag-Cu target model as well as the traditional Au-Ag-Cu quartz vein model in his discussions; editing still in progress.

Government/Ministry Activity:

- **Whistler Area Callaghan Creek No Staking Reserve Referral Update:** Research completed and comments provided to Dorthe Jakobsen of MSRM regarding the existing and proposed expanded no staking reserves designed to surround proposed infrastructure in the Whistler area for the 2010 Winter Olympic bid; there seem to be no end of excuses for creating new protected areas which reduce the available land base for exploration and mining activities, and that process seems to be accelerating...
- **Southwest Region Assessment Report Relocation Project Update:** The relocation of 111 file boxes of assessment reports from Surrey to Nanaimo is delayed until Aug./Sept. pending payment and processing of the final payment to Iron Mountain.

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From: Houle, Jacques EM:EX
Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2002 4:32 PM
To: Hall, Ted EM:EX
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Subject: Houle Weekly Report for November 30 - December 5, 2002

Industry/Client Activity:

- **Beau Pre/First American Scientific Sooke Area Valentine Mountain (MINFILE 092B012) Au-Ag Quartz Vein Project Update:** The planned bulk sampling program at the Discovery Zone on Valentine Mountain using the KDS Micronex concentrator has been delayed indefinitely due to a lack of available funds; Beau Pre is seeking a funding partner to provide \$200,000 to be allocated as follows: \$150,000 for the planned bulk sampling project, and an initial \$50,000 of a planned \$250,000 exploration program; estimates for 2002 remain at \$100,000, consisting of road work, prospecting, trenching, mapping and sampling.
- **Newmex Zeballos Area Privateer (MINFILE 092L012) Au-Ag-Cu Quartz Vein Project Update:** Contact established with Rodney Gibson of the new management team at Newmex, who indicated unspecified financial support pending for project manager Adolf Aichmeier to commence a modest underground development program at Privateer, estimated at \$20,000 for 2002.
- **Electra/Ash Grove/Homegold Port Hardy Area Apple Bay (MINFILE 092L150) Silica-Kaolin Project Update:** Project Manager Jo Shearer reports that Ash Grove Cement has entered into an agreement with Homegold to fund development of the chalky geyserte (silica) deposits on the Apple Bay project, replacing Lehigh Cement as the funding partner; Homegold has also secured Electra Gold to fund development of the kaolinite deposits for Homegold on the same property; estimates for 2002 remain at \$120,000 consisting of an earlier drilling program and ongoing environmental monitoring and sampling program.
- **Homegold Sechelt Area Alexis Dolomite Project Update:** Homegold has completed a modest \$5,000 mapping and sampling program in 2002 on its Alexis dolomite property, which is adjacent to Tri-Sil's Sechelt Carbonate property covering MINFILE 092GNW031.
- **International Silver Ridge Pemberton Area Jon Cu/Pb-Zn/Fe Skarn Project Update:** Plans in place to review 3-4 holes of apparently sulphide-mineralized drill core from the recently completed 240m. drilling program on the Jon Property covering MINFILE 092JSE002 scheduled in Coquitlam with project manager Jo Shearer on December 11, 2002.
- **Garex/International Millennium/Stellar Pacific/Goldnev/Harrison Holdings Harrison Lake Area Ni-Cu-PGE Projects Update:** Airborne geophysical survey planned in early December using Fugro system on portion of Stellar Pacific's property only; combined exploration expenditures of \$250,000 estimated for 2002 managed by Garex; plans in place to visit properties with George Nicholson of Garex on December 11, 2002; property owners map pending from George as well.

Government/Ministry Activity:

- **Vancouver Island Exploration Group Meeting December 4, 2002 at Malaspina College in Nanaimo:** Ray Lett and Dani Alldrick of the Geological Survey Branch provided excellent presentations on regional geochemical surveys and volcanogenic massive sulphide deposits, respectively, including tweaking of their standard talks with ideas about Vancouver Island; next presentation is January 14, 2003 with Mikkel Schau (PGE's on Vancouver Island), and Jacques Houle (SW Regional Highlights), unless we can find another speaker.
- **Port Renfrew - Sooke Area Cu-Ni-PGE & Au-Ag Belts Compilation Map Update:** Compilation map of properties (+owners), minfile occurrences, and geological terrain boundaries draped over aeromagnetics by Jacques Houle to be posted on the MEM website shortly.
- **Exploration and Mining In British Columbia - 2002 Update:** Commitments received from Regional Geologists for pending contributions to EMBC consist of 5-6 Part B papers, and an estimated 110 pages in total; quotes for printing to be solicited in Nanaimo, Vancouver and possibly Victoria next week; editing contract approved by External Relations Branch and issued to editor Bill McMillan.
- **2002 Mineral Exploration Activity Forecast Update:** Updated forecast remains at \$3.5 million, with the same 10 major projects having expenditure estimates exceeding \$100,000.

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From: Smyth, Ron EM:EX
Sent: Tuesday, September 02, 2003 3:23 PM
To: Schroeter, Tom EM:EX
Subject: FW: Quatsino approve mining - www.northislandgazette.com - August 28, 2003

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From: PAB Media Monitoring PAB:EX
Sent: Tuesday, September 02, 2003 3:19 PM
Subject: Quatsino approve mining - www.northislandgazette.com - August 28, 2003

Media Monitoring WebWatch

Quatsino approve mining - www.northislandgazette.com - August 28, 2003

A landmark agreement between the Quatsino First Nation and a mining company will bring money and jobs into the band.

The agreement is the first its kind in B.C., says a news release from Electra Gold Ltd. of Vancouver. The company has entered into a mining participation and royalty agreement to develop mineral potential on 11,250 hectares of Quatsino traditional territory on the north shore of Holberg Inlet at Apple Bay.

The company has been developing the project for about three years. Electra first pitched it to Port Hardy council and the public, along with two other companies, in February 2001.

Electra Gold will mine geyselite, a mineral used in the production of concrete, and kaolinite, used for making glossy paper, ceramics and porcelain.

The Quatsino Band will receive a royalty of \$1 for each metric tonne of production from the mineral claims, half of which will be deferred until 200,000 tonnes are mined annually. As well, Electra Gold will provide the services of a community development consultant and will employ any Quatsino Band members who have received training.

"I am pleased with the direction that Electra God has taken," says Chief Tom Nelson . "Electra Gold has set the benchmark for other corporations that want to do business with the Quatsino First Nation."

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To: Hermann, Fred EM:EX; McKillop, Greg EM:EX
Cc: Schroeter, Tom EM:EX
Subject: FW: Quatsino 1st Nation Mineral Agreement

Guys:

Some more information. Industrial mineral play despite name of company.

Dave

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From: Webster, Ian EM:EX
Sent: Tuesday, September 02, 2003 2:00 PM
To: Lefebure, Dave EM:EX
Subject: Quatsino 1st Nation

FYI.....

Stockwatch News Item

Electra Gold Ltd (C-ELT) - News Release

Electra to develop Apple Bay with Quatsino First Nation

Electra Gold Ltd ELT

Shares issued 16,393,327 Aug 19 2003 close \$ 0.09

Thursday August 21 2003 News Release

Mr. Douglas Stelling reports

ELECTRA GOLD ANNOUNCES AGREEMENT TO DEVELOP THE MINERAL POTENTIAL OF APPLE BAY CLAIMS WITH QUATSINO FIRST NATION

Electra Gold has entered into a mining participation and royalty agreement with the Quatsino First Nation of North Vancouver Island to develop the industrial mineral potential of the Apple Bay and other mineral claims that Electra Gold recently purchased near Port Hardy, B.C.

The agreement calls for the company to pay to the Quatsino First Nation a royalty of \$1 for each tonne of production from the mineral claims, half of which royalty is a deferred payment until production from the claims exceeds 200,000 tonnes per year. In addition, the company has agreed to provide the services of a community development consultant and to use the first nation training capabilities so as to employ Quatsino First Nation members. The parties have agreed to negotiate in good faith respecting a royalty in the event the company discovers non-industrial minerals of commercial value.

This agreement marks one of the first of its kind between a first nation and a mining company where a royalty is paid on the minerals extracted from the land within a first nation's traditional territory in the province of British Columbia. The members of the Quatsino First Nation will benefit from this agreement. "I am pleased with the direction that Electra Gold has taken," said Chief Tom Nelson. "Electra Gold has set the benchmark for other corporations that want to do business with the Quatsino First Nation."

"I am delighted that we were able to reach this landmark agreement," said Doug Stelling, Electra Gold chairman and chief executive officer. "Because Electra is dedicated to ethical principles and providing value to our shareholders, we knew that a co-operative partnership with the Quatsino was essential for the success of the project. This agreement exemplifies Electra's long-term commitment to the spiritual, environmental, social and economic sustainability of the community and the land," Mr. Stelling said.

The company's Apple Bay mineral claims cover approximately 11,250 hectares (approximately 45 square miles) at the northern tip of Vancouver Island and have been under development for chalky geysirite and kaolinite deposits. The Apple Bay mineral claims are located within the Quatsino traditional territory.

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From: Pardy, Jamie EM:EX
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2004 12:10 PM
To: Schroeter, Tom EM:EX
Subject: Communications' question on geyserte mining in BC

Tom,

Shawn Robbins called with a question about geyserte mining in BC - where and what. I cited the Apple Bay project and committed to having a paragraph to him by mid-afternoon. Text in the 2003 BC Mineral Exploration Review is:

Electra Gold Ltd and Homegold Resources Ltd mined 30 000 tonnes of geyserte from its Apple Bay deposit on Vancouver Island;
this material will be tested at the AshGrove Cement plant in Washington State.

Do you have anything to add to the following?:

The **Apple Bay** geyserte project, located west of Port Hardy on Vancouver Island, is at the advanced exploration stage. Electra Gold Ltd and Homegold Resources Ltd bulk-sampled 30 000 tonnes of geyserte (a hydrated form of silica that in this particular case, is being tested as a component of cement); this material will be tested at the AshGrove Cement plant in Washington State.

The company plans to invest another \$200,000 in 2004 to complete ???

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From: Lefebure, Dave EM:EX
Sent: Thursday, May 19, 2005 5:17 PM
To: Schroeter, Tom EM:EX
Subject: Fw: _Assist: Status of Project

One more to add.

Dave

" Away from my desk" - (may explain brevity of this email)

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Sent: Thu May 19 16:23:25 2005
Subject: RE: _Assist: Status of Project

Hi Dave,

Apple Bay (HomeGold Resources Ltd) has submitted a mining plan for 2005 for 120,000 tonnes. The permit is now being finalized and will hopefully be signed by next week.

Diane

From: Taje, Eddy EM:EX
Sent: Thursday, May 19, 2005 4:06 PM
To: Howe, Diane J EM:EX
Subject: FW: _Assist: Status of Project

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From: Wuschke, Steven EM:EX
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2005 9:29 AM
To: Taje, Eddy EM:EX
Subject: FW: _Assist: Status of Project

From: Lefebure, Dave EM:EX
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2005 9:29:07 AM
To: Hermann, Fred EM:EX
Cc: Currie, Anne EAO:EX; Taje, Eddy EM:EX; Wuschke, Steven EM:EX
Subject: _Assist: Status of Project
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Fred:

Have you heard if Apple Bay project on the north end of Vancouver Island has submitted an application to government for an EAO or Mine Permit?