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*Silvana* - Ed Taje reported on Monday that Treminco Resources would be stopping all work at the Silvana mine at Sandon and laying off most of the workers on Tuesday. A small exploration drilling program (6 holes, 590m, \$100,000) back in October was totally unsuccessful in adding to the mineral inventory at the Silvana deposit. Over the past half year or so, the company has been high-grading ore from the Silvana and Hinckley deposits, milling it, and shipping the con to Trail. At the end of October, Locke Goldsmith told me that the remaining reserves at the Silvana totalled about 60,000 tonnes but were split among a number of widely-spaced blocks. He felt there was still more exploration that could be done on the main lode between the Silvana and Coronation zones but it would require expensive u/g rehabilitation to access. (R.I.P.?)

*Wildrose* - Don Rippon (First Gold Resources Corp.) has notified Steve that they have raised some money and plan to continue with the exploration adit started in '96 at the Wildrose gold property (former producer) a few kms WSW of Greenwood. No indication of how soon they'll start but Steve has approved work on existing permit.

*Camp McKinney* - Contrary to my report last week, Big Blackfoot Resources has not yet begun drilling on the Caramelia (Camp McKinney) property but are expected to start before the end of the month.

- Forgot to mention earlier that Linda Caron sent a Christmas card along with a new business card. She is no longer associated with Kettle River Resources but is available for contract or consulting work, and can be contacted at her home near Rock Creek [(250)446-2487}. After she finished assisting Echo Bay with the work on KRR's properties, she apparently carried out some surface surveys for Don Rippon on another of his properties near Grand Forks. If anyone is looking for a good, experienced young geologist/project mgr. person, particularly in the south-central interior, Linda should be considered. She's highly computer and GPS literate and was always one of our most responsible clients when running projects for KRR.

*Greenland Cr.* - Tim Termuende has already submitted a NoW for work this season at his new Sullivan-style sedex ms discovery on Greenland Creek. The program includes geochem/geofizz and mapping, a tentative 1500m of NQ drilling, and 7 km of road up Greenland Creek from Skookumchuck Creek. The early submission clearly is an attempt to test reaction to the road proposal. In his favour, apparently, is the fact that the road fits well with future access plans of Crestbrook F.P.

*Duncan* - Recent discussions with Ken Pride and Dave Moore of Cominco have indicated that Cominco is feeling a severe financial pinch right now, due mainly to the Asian crisis, and the future of all of their exploration work including Duncan is a bit uncertain at this time. Cominco is due to

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*CONNER*  
- The Miner River Resources/Eagle Plains Resources JV (i.e. Tim Termuende) has optioned an 18 unit claim, called Conner, from Bruce Doyle of Nelson. It is located on Connor Creek about half way on a straight line between Nelson and Castlegar and covers Minfile occurrence 082FSW303 (Root). Silicified Ymir Group sedimentary rocks near the contact of the Mid Jurassic Bonnington pluton contain stratabound semi-massive to massive pyrrhotite zones up to 8m thick and assaying up to 92.4 g/t Au, 0.2% Co, and 0.34% Cu. 1997 logging has exposed several new sulphide zones which returned values up to 5.7% Zn + significant Pb, Cu, Co, Ni, and Au. An aggressive program is promised in 1998 to include mapping trenching and drilling.

- The same companies have optioned a second property from Bruce Doyle on McPhee Creek about 15 km SSW of the Conner (CONFIDENTIAL). A press release to announce this second acquisition is still being prepared. The McPhee claims appear to occur within the Bonnington pluton but are described by Tim and Chuck Downie as containing a thick zone of massive Au-rich pyrrhotite which has been traced for one km! The zone contains a number of old adits and shafts of which there appears to be no record. These claims were optioned recently by Phelps Dodge. It completed a geochem. survey and then dropped the option. I visited this property about 4 years ago shortly after Bruce staked it and saw a lot of massive pyrrhotite float alongside the road. He has found the bedrock occurrence and the old workings since.

*Black Crystal*  
Steve has passed on a Notice of Completion from IMP Mineral Park etc. etc. reporting completion on Christmas eve of drilling at the Black Crystal graphite prospect on Hoder Creek west of Slocan. A total of 891 metres of core drilling was completed in 22 short, vertical holes.

*CARAMELIA*  
Notification was received from John Chapman that drilling by Big Blackfoot Resources on the Caramelia (Camp McKinney) gold project was due to start on January 7th. A total of 3000m of drilling and some trenching are planned.

*SIDLEY*  
Chapman has also reported that ranchers Dale and Larry (maybe the same guy?) Lehman recently completed two core holes on the Sidley Group of claims which straddle Hwy.#3 just west of Anarchist Summit, on private pasture land. Previous rc drilling was reported to have intersected two 10-foot sections running greater than 0.35 o/t Au in silicified and pyritized Anarchist Gp. rocks. "Intervals of 20 to 30 feet" of similar altered rock are reported from the current drilling, with assays pending.

*Paul-Mike*  
Dia Met Minerals/Canadian Mountain Minerals/ Goldtex Resources (Chuck Fipke) have issued a press release indicating that they plan to conduct a seismic survey on their Paul-Mike property, located on private agricultural land immediately east of Wasa Lake. The target is Sullivan type sedex mineralization at the base of the Middle Aldridge Fm. Surface surveys in 1997 located "favourable geochemical and geophysical anomalies in the vicinity of a drill hole from which abundant lead nodules (?) were

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- Big Blackfoot Resources Ltd. has completed a 7-hole drilling program at the Caramelia project, Camp McKinney NW of Rock Creek. No trenching - \$200,000 total expenditure. The program was deemed a success - new veins encountered - good gold assays in every hole but grades extremely erratic. A \$750,000 program of drilling and trenching is planned for later in the summer (if the company can raise the funds (entirely depends on the price of gold - it's up to \$305 today!)). Because of the pronounced nugget effect, bulk sampling from trenches will be the only way to properly assess the resource potential.
- At the Whales group north of Midway, Phoenix Gold completed a mag. survey plus some mapping and rock sampling to meet an assessment deadline but did not do the small Gopher-drilling program for which it was permitted. The company is still considering whether or not to do more work - Kim Anshetz is aware that any more work will require a new Now.
- The latest from Redhawk Resources (Kristian Ross) is that the drilling at the Red Bird property (Pb-Zn-Ag - faulted extensions of Reeves Macdonald orebodies) west of Nelway will begin "in May". Permits and funding are in place. The proposed work is 5000m from 5 sites.
- Dia Met Minerals has just received a permit for a 20.7 km hand cut grid for a seismic survey on the Paul-Mike claims, immediately SW of Wasa Lake. The target is Sullivan type Zn/Pb/Ag on the assumed extension of the Kimberley Fault at the eastern edge of the Trench. Early attempts by the Alberta-based contractor to short-circuit some of the permitting by disguising the project as targetting petroleum were unsuccessful - they didn't count on running into the Wuschke!
- Century Gold Corp. has submitted a NoW for an aggressive program to include about 2300m of diamond drilling and 1350m of trenching on its large Royal Attwood property which straddles Hwy #3 just north of Grand Forks. The target is Au/Ag in epithermal veins but Cu/Au in skarns and vms are also possible. Linda Caron is running the project, and just about everything else that's going on in the Greenwood area.
- Ken Murray has informed that Bluebird Minerals will be drilling the Mammoth Cu/Au skarn north of Salmo - the NoW should be on its way.
- Westroc Inc. is planning to drill about 3000' in 15 holes at its Koot gypsum property on the Kootenay River east of Canal Flats. It is stated right in the NoW that the company plans to develop the Koot to replace its Windermere Operations by 2006 to 2008.
- Kennecott is going to be very aggressive in the Purcells this season. It is planning to drill about 2500m in the Findlay block of claims