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RE: MONTHLY REPORT - NOVEMBER, 1990
SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

A) EXPLORATION HIGHLIGHTS

Victoria Mining Division

- **Mt. Sicker/Lara:**

Minnova has completed the 1990 drill program with a total of 11,167 metres (49 holes) at Lara and 2400 metres (14 holes) at Mt. Sicker. Most of the Lara drilling was concentrated in a new zone of interest which straddles Silver Creek a little north (up-stratigraphy?) of the Coronation horizon. They report several thin m.s. intersections in the zone with very promising geological indicators (CONFIDENTIAL). No work was done in 1990 at the Coronation zone itself and Minnova has still not reported any revised reserve estimate for the Coronation deposit. No work was done at Mt. Sicker during the fall drill season and the indications are strong that Minnova is losing interest in Mt. Sicker.

- **Chemainus/Holyoak:**

Falconbridge has completed the 1990 drill program at Chemainus with a total of 7202 metres (24 holes) and an expenditure of \$900,000. They were testing various targets close to and on both sides of the Lara property. Bob Stewart indicates that Falconbridge will probably only do property evaluations on Vancouver Island in 1991, meaning that Chemainus and Catface are both going back on the shelf.

ALBERNI MINING DIVISION

- **Debbie:**

Westmin has completed the 1990 program which included only 4 short drill holes to test a new zone, called "1050", a gold-bearing quartz vein located about 300 metres west of the 900 zone. It was discovered by trenching an intense gold anomaly in soils. Some narrow but high grade intersections are reported from the brief drill test. No underground work was done in 1990, nor was any significant surface work done on the three zones of previous interest. The junior joint venture partner, Pacific Gold, did not contribute any funds in 1990 and did not do any work on their self-managed Yellow claim.

