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**Subject:** Houle Weekly Report November 1-7, 2002

**Industry/Client Activity:**

- **Emerald Field Resources Port Renfrew Area Pearson Magmatic Cu-Ni-PGE Project Update:** Perry Heatherington of Emerald Field reports fieldwork consisting of prospecting, silt/rock sampling and geochemistry/petrography continuing, with airborne geophysical program still planned for late 2002; project manager being selected (names confidential); field trip anticipated late in the year or early in 2003; major exploration project with expenditures of \$500,000 still projected.
- **Newmex Zaballos Area Privateer Au-Ag Quartz Vein Project Update:** Project Manager Adolf Aichmeier optimistic of modest underground mining and milling program to proceed in late 2002 (~\$20,000), with support of new management group at Newmex.
- **Imperial/Northstar Texada Island Vananda Limestone Quarry / Sediment-hosted Au Project Update:** Both Ed Liebich of Imperial Limestone and Bob Duker of Northstar Mining report findings of significant gold and pyrite associated with Mg-rich limestone units within the Triassic Quatsino Formation (Carlin type Au?) within the Imperial Quarry; bulk sampling ongoing, with minimal expenditures planned.
- **Saxony Kliniklini River Area Redbreast Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au Project Update:** Adrian Hobkirk of Saxony reports completion of \$30,000 field program at Redbreast project in October, with prospecting and sampling completed, and geochemical results pending.
- **International Silver Ridge Pemberton Area Jon Au-Ag-Cu Skarn Project Update:** Jon Perrett of International Silver Ridge reports commencement of 1600m drilling program at the Jon Project on November 6th; field trip planned in late Nov.
- **Garex Harrison Lake Area Magmatic Cu-Ni-PGE Projects Update:** Property map still pending from George Nicholson of Garex; tentative field visit to prospecting sites deferred to November 13-14; airborne geophysical survey still planned shortly.

**Government/Ministry Activity:**

- **Vancouver Island Exploration (VIX) Group Update:** Next meeting planned for December 4, 2003 with 2 presentations by 3 guest speakers: Ray Lett, Dani Aldrick and Mikkel Schau as per the flyer attached.
- **Southwest Region Exploration Statistics Update:** Compilation of preliminary 2002 statistics for projects and mining operations in the SW region completed for B.C. Mineral Exploration Review - 2002, and forwarded to the other Regional Geologists.
- **Nanaimo Regional Office Status Update:** Notification of planned closure May 31, 2003 of the Southwest Region Mining Division office in Nanaimo, termination of 7 of 9 positions (including the Regional Geologist position), and transfer of 2 positions to the Victoria Office.

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**Subject:** Houle Weekly Report for October 19-24, 2002

### 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

- **SYMC Resources Port Alberni Area Diamondless Cu-Ag Vein Project Update:** Access road recently completed from Alberni Inlet to old adit sites (MINFILE 092F168) may be out of compliance with exploration permit; trenching in progress with diamond drilling to begin shortly; site visit planned September 27 with G. Carriere of MEM.
- **Saxony Exploration Klinaklini River Area Redbreast Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au Project Update:** Saxony is still planning a \$50,000 preliminary exploration program at their Redbreast Project in early October, with fund-raising in progress; the project covers MINFILE's 092N028,-029,-051,-063; tentative plans made to visit the field program site via Campbell River.
- **Goldnev Resources Harrison Lake Area Ruby Creek Cu-Ni-PGE Project Update:** Garex is planning to spend \$50,000 in 2002 on preliminary exploration work at Ruby Creek on behalf of Goldnev; details to follow from Garex.

**Government/Ministry Activity:**

- **Regional Geologists / Geological Survey Branch Conference Call Update:** Conference call completed with key R.G. items as follows:
  - **Exploration Review by Region:** Total exploration expenditures for B.C. estimated at \$38 million for 2002, led by NE-C Region (\$11.5 million).
  - **Regional Geologist Annual Fall Presentations and Field Trip Update:** Tentatively set for Nov. 21 in Victoria, with field trip Nov. 20 to Port Renfrew area Emerald Fields Pearson Cu-Ni-PGE project, subject to J. Houle arranging details; Bright Star's Tulameen Pt project arranged by M. Cathro is an alternate field trip venue; P. Wojdak, B. Lane and J. Houle confirmed to attend so far.
  - **Exploration and Mining in B.C. - 2002 Update:** Funding to edit and print 2002 publication still in limbo; J. Houle soliciting funding (\$4-5,000) from groups within MEM outside the Mining Division.
- **Harrison Lake Area and Port Renfrew Area Cu-Ni-PGE Area Maps Update:** Work in progress updating/starting property maps for internal and external presentations and distribution for these 2 active staking areas in the Southwest Region.
- **Vancouver Island Exploration Group Update:** First presentation to be given by Neil Swift, President of Priority Ventures, with a date tentatively sometime in October, to be held at Malaspina College in Nanaimo.

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**Subject:** Houle Weekly Report for August 2-9, 2002

### Industry Activity:

- **Emerald Field Resources Port Renfrew/Jordan River Area Pearson Cu-Ni-PGE Project Update:** Contact established with Perry Heatherington, Chief Operating Officer of Emerald Field Resources, who have negotiated an option agreement with Gary Pearson and have completed staking Cu-Ni-PGE targets in two separate target areas: map sheets 092C055,-068,-069 (in Wrangellia north of Port Renfrew) and 092C050 (in Crescent Terrain near Jordan River); soil geochemistry (using MMI) and rock geochemistry reconnaissance sampling programs are in progress, and muscovite age dating, petrographic work and preliminary metallurgical testing from initial samples are being completed; airborne geophysics and possible drilling is also planned for 2002, with a preliminary budget of \$500,000; Emerald Field is establishing registration in B.C. and a corporate FMC to work and hold claims in the province, and looking to work with technical expertise in B.C.; local geological consultant and PGE expert Mikkel Schau was referred to Emerald Field to assist them, and the concept of partnerships with the G.S.B. was suggested to Mr. Heatherington; he was also invited to visit the Nanaimo office in advance of submitting possible Notice of Work applications.
- **Saxony Explorations Klinaklini River Area Redbreast Project Porphyry Cu-Mo-Au Project Update:** Contact established with Addrian Hobkirk of Saxony Exploration, who have negotiated an option agreement with Dauntless Development and Metamin Enterprises for 3 separate claim blocks totaling 207 units and covering 4 MINFILE occurrences: Hannah 8,10,11 (092N028), Hoodoo North (092N029), Lancers Mountain (092N051) and Darlene (092N063); prospecting and geochemistry is planned for this summer, with a preliminary budget of \$50,000; thanks to Tom Schroeter for the heads-up on this project; Saxony is seeking new Au-Ag opportunities in B.C., so compilation documents on gold opportunities in the Southwest Region were sent to Mr. Hobkirk.
- **Clearview Minerals / Rudy Riepe Sechelt Area Mineral Hill / Sechelt Carbonate Wollastonite/Garnet & Zn/Cu Skarn Projects Update:** Site visit planned on August 12-13 with Rudy Riepe to review results and core from major drilling project completed earlier in the year on Clearview's Mineral Hill Wollastonite/Garnet Skarn Project (MINFILE's 092GNW052,-053), and to review new prospecting results on Mr. Riepe's Sechelt Carbonate Zn/Cu Skarn Project (MINFILE's 092GNW031,-035,-048).

### Government/Ministry Activity:

- **GSB Mineral Deposit Profile Review for PGE-bearing Mineral Deposits:** Collaboration begun with North Vancouver-based geological consultant Murray McClaren to establish an appropriate mineral deposit profile for B.C. to capture the Giant Mascot Cu-Ni-PGE deposits in the Harrison Lake area, probably based on one or more of the USGS Mineral Deposit Models; this work may also set the stage to establish a profile for deposits in the Port Renfrew/Jordan River area once more information is known about them as well; interaction with G.S.B. personnel, particularly Graham Nixon, will be essential.
- **GSB Bella Coola Area Regional Geochemical Survey (RGS) Data Release August 14:** Plans made for J. Houle to be in the Vancouver M.D.O. (Tom Schroeter away on field visits) on August 14 to assist clients with any technical questions related to the Bella Coola RGS release scheduled for 1:30 pm, August 14, in transit from field visits in the Sechelt area August 12-13; J. Houle will be in the Nanaimo Office on August 15 to assist clients if necessary, but it is assumed that most client activity related to the release will be at the M.D.O., and telephone contact will be available on August 14 all day as well.
- **Southwest Region Assessment Report Relocation Project Update:** Quotes received for relocating assessment files from Burnaby to Nanaimo (~\$350-450) from trucking/courier companies; Release of reports by Iron Mountain

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Barry - I just heard. I am devastated! I'm glad to hear that you will be looking after the resolution of Frank's affairs. Make sure the BC&Yukon Chamber gets a nice write-up on Frank. If I can help in any way, please let me know. I'm off to the bush (up North) this Sunday (9th) for nearly a month and a half, but will have my Laptop with me to respond to e-mails.

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Thanks for the info - a REAL loss!

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**Subject:** Frank Onucki

Barry Price called me this morning to inform me that Frank Onucki died sometime last week. He was found in his apartment by the Manager. Frank's passing is a loss to BC, given his knowledge, memory and interest in supporting BC.

Barry will be handling the resolution of Frank's affairs including his tenure interests. Barry will be sending in a copy of the death certificate.

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