

Subject: GSC Sulphurets Project rescue proposal

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Date: Sat, 14 Feb 2009 17:54:29 -0800

To: Alan.Galley@NRCan-RNCan.gc.ca

CC: Charlie.Jefferson@NRCan-RNCan.gc.ca, "Sinclair, Dave"

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Yours sincerely,
Rod Kirkham

Subject: Re: Sulphurets work proposal
From: Rod Kirkham <rkirkham@telus.net>
Date: Wed, 18 Feb 2009 12:08:55 -0800
To: Ron Burk <RBurk@silverstandard.com>
CC: "Kenneth C. McNaughton" <KMcNaughton@silverstandard.com>, Ken Konkin <kkonkin@silverstandard.com>

Hi Ron,

Sounds good to me. A lot of the data is in my office south of the Fraser River. I really need somebody to sort through all the information and make copies for Silver Standard (and Seabridge?). The office is secure with an alarm system, so I want to control who is searching through my files.

As for the field visit, I allowed for 1 day travel and possible down days for weather. On the down days I could examine some Snowfield core. I specifically want to see what the bottom of deposit looks like.

I have a big proposal into the GSC but have not heard from them yet. But, as far as I'm concerned, the data in my office belongs to me not them. I have paid \$82,500 office rent over a period of 11 years primarily to store information, such as that for the GSC Sulphurets project (I hardly ever go to my office now and, for several years, it has not been used as an office). Moreover, as the GSC would not let me purchase 37 filing cabinets and several map cabinets at double the going price for used government furniture, it took Antonio Rafer and myself, using two cars, 2 months, box by box, at my expense to move the materials to my office. I planned to pay movers to move the cabinets and data en masse to my new office. The GSC didn't want any of the information stored in my files. Also, I had to purchase adequate used furniture in which to store the stuff. Some of the furniture was that from my former government office. Sad story but it should be told. If I work with you guys, unfortunately, you'll have to listen to more sad stories.

Best regards,
Rod

Ron Burk wrote:

Rod,

I have reviewed your proposal with Ken McNaughton and considering our objectives for the Snowfield-Sulphurets property, the potential budget we have at our disposal and time factors, here is what we propose for your services. Our proposal, however, is predicated on the assumption that you will have access to the GSC data (geological maps and geochemical data) that you describe in your emailed proposal.

Close to what you had proposed, we would like that you organize, supervise and contribute to the data compilation for the Snowfield-Sulphurets property. But instead of your proposed 12 days (2 days per months for 6 months) we would like to cut this back to a total of 8 days (2 days/mo for 4 months) starting this March. We are planning to hire a young geologist to work with you on this compilation. She worked last summer at Snowfield as a core-logging geologist and will likely return to property for this summer's program. She will start working here at our office at the end of next week, sorting through the +20 banker boxes of records and other files we inherited from Newhawk Mining. Working with our draftsman she will work at getting all the geological/geochemical/geophysical data for the property into digital map form. Getting the GSC data to her will be essential. I am anticipating that this compilation will be completed by around

the end of June or sooner. As you might guess, the real goal of this work will be to use the updated geology/geochem maps to identify exploration target areas where we could carry out detailed surface sampling and possibly some 'wildcat' drilling.

Regarding your proposal for working at site, we suggest that 2 days would be sufficient for this, considering that we are unsure of what will come of the data compilation/targeting exercise. I think it is best to leave your proposed site work as a tentative program - we can make a final decision on this once the field program at SF has started and we know the areas where we will be working in and what kind of work we plan to do there.

Your indicated costs for photocopying, data purchasing, etc. will be covered by us as they come up. Our geologist, Leslie Abel, we be responsible for these purchases.

Please get back to me either by telephone or email in regards to the issue of the availability of the GSC data. As for your consulting fee of C\$800 per day, we are OK with this. Thus, we are looking at a monthly retainer of C\$1,600 per month for 4 months, with the possibility of additional days if required during the 4 month period of March-June and a few days at the end of the summer field season.

Will await your reply.

With regards,

Ron Burk
Chief Geologist
Silver Standard Resources Inc.

-----Original Message-----

From: Rod Kirkham [mailto:rkirkham@telus.net]
Sent: Tuesday, February 17, 2009 1:08 PM
To: Ron Burk
Cc: Kenneth J. Konkin
Subject: Re: Sulphurets work proposal

I'll try again. The last one had a strange \$ sign instead of the "S" in Sulphurets. Let me know if you still have problems opening the attachment.

Ron Burk wrote:

Hi Rod,

The proposal that you attached somehow came encoded and when I managed to open it with Microsoft Word all of the text was lost. Please send again and check that it can be opened using MS Word. Thanks.

Ron

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From: Rod Kirkham [mailto:rkirkham@telus.net]
Sent: Monday, February 16, 2009 8:36 PM
To: Ron Burk
Cc: Kenneth J. Konkin
Subject: Sulphurets work proposal

Hi Ron,

As requested, attached is a proposal to try to resurrect a lot of GSC work that never got published on Silver Standard's Sulphurets property. You can see that, to attempt to resurrect a lot of information that could be very relevant to your exploration, the cost should be about \$20,000, including a field visit by me next summer. Putting much of the information into a

computer-processible form could be about the same cost or significantly more? I'm not sure what systems Silver Standard, Seabridge, and the GSC use or what would be the appropriate interfaces, but this can be discussed once the work has started.

I'm also working on the second proposal that we discussed and I hope to have it to you by the end of the week.

The work on the Sulphurets project should start without delay, so I hope to receive a response from you soon.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best regards,
Rod Kirkham

Subject: Re: GSC Sulphurets Project rescue proposal
From: Rod Kirkham <rkirkham@telus.net>
Date: Thu, 26 Feb 2009 15:18:20 -0800
To: "Galley, Alan" <Alan.Galley@NRCan-RNCan.gc.ca>

Hi Al,

Good to hear from you. I view this in a somewhat different manner than just a GSC-Pacific issue. This is turning out to be the largest gold discovery in Canadian history (now greater than 56 million contained ounces and still wide open) and the GSC should receive proper recognition for their role in such a large discovery. February 19th America Creek Resources Ltd. also just announced good drill results on their Copper Belle Zone at Treaty Glacier. This is one of the two bulk-tonnage zones that I also discovered while working for the GSC and told them about it. Too me, these recent developments are just too important for the GSC not to do everything possible to get information out to the public on these areas.

I have established a working relationship with Silver Standard Inc. and plan to meet with Mike Savell of Seabridge Gold Inc. tomorrow, when he passes through Vancouver on his way from Stewart to Toronto. We will discuss a possible proposal between Seabridge and RVK tomorrow.

Antonio Rafer has been going through my office looking for Sulphurets information and maps and I spent 3 hours in the office today and have found even more information and maps. Some of it is great stuff as it shows even other important zones that still have not been drilled. However, we have not found any chronflex copies of the 1:5000-scale geology maps that were to be released on Open File. I hope that they and Bruce's digital geochemical and sample location data and geochem pulps can be located soon in Ottawa. Good news on the 1:50,000 scale map, the geology was compiled. Still needs stuff added for the main Sulphurets area, fossil and radiometric age locations (Bob Anderson has more recent dates within this area), acknowledgments, references, and a topographic base, etc.

An aside: people at the Roundup were truly pissed off that more people from the GSC were not permitted to attend the conference. This is not a party or perk. People expect to see recent results and to talk to geologists, something that might lead to a new discovery and more economic activity in Canada.

Cheers,
Rod

Galley, Alan wrote:

Hi Rod,

Thanks for the update on the Sulphurets data. I'll be discussing what can be done in the context of ongoing GSC projects in NW BC to see if the capacity is available to salvage all this data.

I'll let you know what the program manager decides. As you know, I handed at least some of this data over to Anderson years ago and I don't have the authority to tell GSC-Pacific where to place their priorities. If the companies feel as strongly as you do they should send a note along to Carmel Lowe as Director of GSC-Pacific.

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