REPORT ON GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS

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SUPPORTING WORK

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W.A. Gasteiger - Geophysicist

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on the RED GULCH GROUP

Jungle 101 M.C. Texasgulf Canada Ltd.

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Red Gulch, Queen, Sulphide No. 5 - Sulphide No. 8 incl., Sulphide No. 11, Sulphide No. 13, S. No. 1 Fr. (Crown Granted Mineral Claims)

Texasgulf, Inc.

Situated on the Ecstall River

in the Skeena Mining Division

53°52'N 129°31'W N.T.S. 103 H/13E

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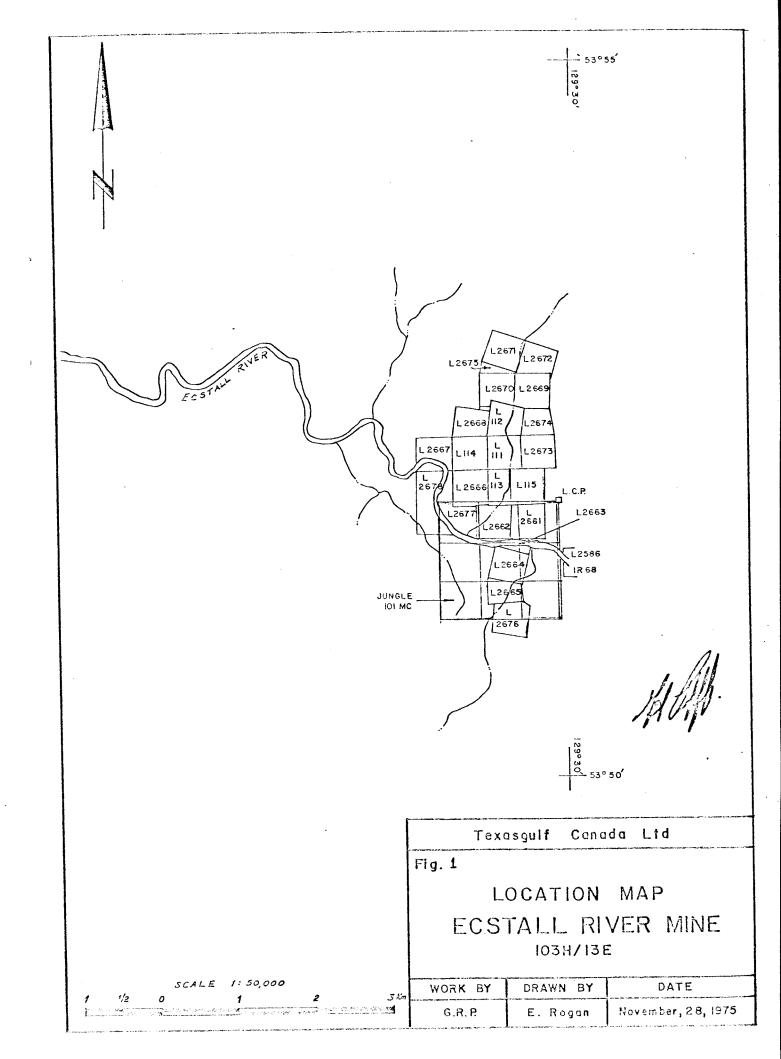
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## INTRODUCTION

The RED GULCH Group is part of the Ecstall River Mine Property, presently held by Texasgulf, Inc. (21 Crown Granted Mineral Claims) and its subsidiary Texasgulf Canada Ltd. (1 located claim of 9 units).

The property has a long history of exploration, principally as a pyrites reserve, by various interests since its discovery in 1900. Texasgulf Sulphur Co. (now Texasgulf, Inc.) acquired the property in 1937, and has explored the ground at sporadic intervals since that time. For a good summary of early work and a description of the geologic setting, see the B.C. Minister of Mines Annual Report for 1952, pp. 81-84.

The present programme involved the cutting of some 16.8 km of geophysical grid, and a horizontal loop e.m. survey over most of the grid. All physical work was undertaken between June 23 and July 21, 1975.



## LOCATION, ACCESS & TERRAIN

The property is located astride the Ecstall River, some 69 km SE of Prince Rupert (Fig. 1). Access is by helicopter from Prince Rupert or, with some difficulty, by boat up the Ecstall River.

Terrain on the property is, generally speaking, very rugged. However, the present work programme was concentrated on the river flats and the relatively high line-cutting costs are a function of swampy ground, heavy timber and very thick undergrowth.

## LINE-CUTTING PROGRAMME

In order to provide control for subsequent geophysical surveys, a grid was established, as shown on Fig. 2.

The line-cutting was undertaken under contract by Manex Mining Ltd., who supplied a five-man crew headed by M.J. Beley, president of Manex.

## GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY

A horizontal loop e.m. survey was performed under the direction of W.A. Gasteiger, Texasgulf Geophysicist, whose report is included as an Appendix.

G.R. Peatfield, P.Eng.

# APPENDIX A

Geophysical Report by W.A. Gasteiger

TEXASGULF CANADA LIMITED

REPORT ON GEOPHYSICAL WORK

ECSTALL RIVER PROJECT

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# TEXASGULF CANADA LIMITED REPORT ON GEOPHYSICAL WORK ECSTALL RIVER PROJECT

#### 1. INTRODUCTION:

A geophysical survey consisting of horizontal loop electromagnetic traverses was performed over a group of newly staked claims adjoining the patented claims of the old Ecstall River Mine in the Prince Rupert district of British Columbia.

Work on the claim group commenced July 14th., and ended on July 20, 1975.

#### 2. PREVIOUS WORK:

Previous work consisted of vertical loop electromagnetic surveys by McPhar Geophysics for Texas Gulf Sulphur Company. These surveys were done at a number of frequencies and several anomalous responses were discovered. This work took place in the summers of 1957 and 1958. The present survey attempted to relocate these conductors.

In 1937, Hans Lundberg produced a resistivity survey of the area. Directly to the north of the present survey area lies the Ecstall River Mine on which a great deal of drilling and development work has been done in the past.

#### 3. SURVEY DETAILS:

Because most of the survey area lay in the flat valley of the Ecstall River, a horizontal loop E.M. unit was utilized. Line 10840N at the north end of the grid was not surveyed because of the rugged terrain. Similarly, other lines were omitted or cut short due to a variety of factors - wet conditions, rugged terrain, or coil misorientation resulting from wandering lines.

Lines were cut in an E-W direction at 120 metre intervals. Readings were taken at 40 metre stations.

#### 4. SURVEY RESULTS:

The present survey indicates no conductive responses. Since the previous vertical loop work by McPhar indicated several responses, either the present survey didn't penetrate deeply enough to pick up the conductive zones or the McPhar surveys detected conductors that were caused by conductive overburden or misorientation effects.

The McPhar results indicate crossovers of moderate amplitude at 5000 Hz; however, these crossovers are almost indistinguishable at 1000 Hz. The present survey was read at 1600 Hz; this is probably the reason for the lack of any anomalous readings.

The poor conductivity indicated by the McPhar survey means that most of the vertical loop crossovers could be due to conductive overburden. To the north of the Ecstall River, the present survey shows a gradual

change in the background of the in phase component. On all lines the in phase readings rise gradually from east to west. This indicates an increase in overburden conductivity towards the west.

One of McPhar's better conductive zones was parallel to Red Gulch Creek from approximately 10720N to 10360N. The present survey indicates a weak anomalous deflection on line 10360N in the vicinity of 9700E. This is in the general location of the McPhar conductor. Here again the profile seems more like a conductive overburden edge effect than a legitimate bedrock conductor.

#### 5. RECOMMENDATIONS:

The lack of response from the present E.M. survey and the poor conductivities detected by the McPhar survey indicate that further electromagnetic work is not warranted.

The area near Red Gulch River could use more geophysical work; however, more E.M. work would not resolve the question whether this weak response is a poorly conducting sulphide zone. A few induced polarization traverses over this area could settle the question once and for all. A seismic refraction profile along Line 10360N might also be warranted to get a good estimate of the overburden depth in this area.

Mark Gent Stage

# APPENDIX B

Statements of Qualifications

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P.O. Box 1140, 571 Moneta Avenue, Timmins, Ontario P4N 7H9 (705) 267-1188

**Exploration Department** 

September 12, 1975

British Columbia Department
Of Mines And Petroleum Resources,
VICTORIA, British. Columbia

Dear Gentlemen:

The following is a summary of my qualifications as a geophysicist.

B. Sc.

Queen's University Geological Science (Geophysics Option)

to geophysics.

Field Experience:

1970 .	Texasgulf Exploration	Seismic, magnetics, resistivity surveys
1971	Texasgulf Exploration	Magnetic, gravity, electromagnetic surveys
1972 to	Texasgulf Exploration	Magnetic, gravity, electromagnetic, induced polarization and seismic surveys and computer applications

Professional Affiliations:

Engineering Institute of Canada.
Association of Professional Engineers of the Province of Ontario

Yours very truly,

W.A. Gasteige

WAG/qc

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Statement of Qualifications, - R. Lowe

Richard Lowe has recently completed third year applied geophysics at Queen's University, Kingston. He was employed by Texasgulf as a geophysical assistant for the 1975 field season, and was regarded by his supervisors as a keen, competent and conscientious employee.

G.R. Peatfield, P.Eng.

# APPENDIX C

Statement of Expenditures

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## Line-Cutting Costs Billed by Manex Mining Ltd. 13 man days @ \$50.00 650.00 39 man days @ \$45.00 1755.00 2405.00 payroll overhead @ 11.55% 277.78 2682.78 overhead @ 15% 402.42 3085.19 8 man days @ \$125.00 1000.00 4085.19 4,085.19 Salaries & Fringe Benefits - Texasgulf Inc. G.R. Peatfield, P.Eng. Report 2 1/2 days @ \$110.00 275.00 W.A. Gasteiger - Geophysicist July 14-20, 7 days @ \$65.00 455.00 R. Lowe - Geophysical Asst. July 14-20, 7 days @ \$30.00 210.00 940.00 \$ 940.00 Report Preparation Draughting, secretarial, reproduction, etc. 200.00 \$ 200.00

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# Room & Board

Line-cutters - 60 man days @ \$15.00 Geophysicists - 14 man days @ \$15.00	\$	900.00 210.00		
		1110.00	\$	1,110.00
Aircraft Support (Mob, Demob, Supply)				
Bell 206 B charter 6 hrs. @ \$292.25 Fixed-wing charter	<del></del>	1753.50 352.82		
		2106.32	\$	2,106.32
Travel, Shipping, Etc.				
Travel Shipping Auto Expense Equip. per Manex, where applic. Equip. per geophysicists Communications		155.15 100.00 50.00 298.34 250.00 25.00		
		878.49	<u>\$</u> _	878.49
			\$	9,320.00

# notes:

- 1.) total man-days from Manex invoice are not used as some time refers to claim staking.
- 2.) a <u>per diem</u> calculation is used for room and board because some grocery charges are included in other Manex invoices for other projects.

G.R. Peatfield, P.Eng.



# MANEX MINING LTD.

227 - 470 GRANVILLE STREET, VANCOUVER 2, B.C. 3 631-4411

July 7th, 1975

Texasgulf Inc., 1281 West Georgia Street, VANCOUVER, B.C.

Re: Ecstall Project.

WAGES		
D. Beley R. Earclay B. Schultz J. van der Ark	15 7/8 days at \$45.00 per day 15½ days at \$50.00 per day 15 3/4 days at \$45.00 per day 15 3/4 days at \$45.00 per day	\$ 714.34 762.50 708.75 708.75
	Payroll overhead 11.55%	\$2,894.34 334.30
DISBURSEMENTS		
Eby & Sons T.P.A.	\$368.07 247.50	615.57
	Overhead 15%	\$3,844.21 576.63
		\$4,420.84
GEOLOGIST		
M.J. Beley M.J. Beley	l day at \$95.00 per day ll days at \$125.00 per day	95.00 1,375.00
EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED		
Truck Powersaws (3) Topofils (2) Radio Telephone Misc. equipment Camp	1/3 month at \$500.00 per month 1/3 month at \$125.00 per month 10 days at \$2.00 per day 1/3 month at \$200.00 per month 1/3 month at \$200.00 per month 1/3 month at \$300.00 per month	125.00 40.00 66.67 66.67 100.00
		\$6,455.85

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