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REPORT ON

QUARTZ MINERAL EXPLORATION PERMIT 204

AT

OLD FORT POINT

LAKE ATHABASCA, ALBERTA

WORK PERFORMED DURING THE PERIOD

JANUARY 26, 1976 - JANUARY 26, 1977

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Permit No. 204
SUMMARY

During March and April 1976, a radiometric survey using a SRATT scintillometer was carried out over portions of quartz mineral exploration permit 204 located 20 miles southeast of Fort Chipewyan.

Snow cover reduced the radiation count by 40%, but the survey was effective in locating a low order anomaly indicated by a previous aerial survey.

A similar order anomaly was tested on permit 199, adjoining ground, and found not to be due to mineralization in the underlying rocks so further follow up of this anomalous condition is not recommended.

PROPERTY

Quartz Mineral Exploration Permit No. 204 covers the following land:

Sec. 19, 20, 28-33 TWP.110 R4 W4 M
Sec. 4, S 1/2 5, 6, SW1/47, SE1/4 9, 10, 11, 12,
S1/2 13 14 & 15 TWP.111 R4 W4 M

The permit was issued on January 26, 1976 and covers approximately 9,920 acres.
The property is located on the south shore of Lake Athabasca, 20 miles southeast of Fort Chipewyan and 40 miles northwest of Amoks' Cluff Lake uranium mine in Saskatchewan.

This is a sand and muskeg covered area with relief less than 50 feet above the lake level of 700.

The target of mineral exploration in this area is uranium mineralization close to the regolith between the Athabasca Sandstone and the basement complex where substantial orebodies have been demonstrated to occur at Cluff Lake, Key Lake and Rabbit Lake, to the east in Saskatchewan. A similar geological setting hosts the Australian deposits. Delimiting factors within this horizon appear to be structure in the basement rocks in the vicinity of favourable host rocks.

The initial step in the exploration for uranium in any area is the radiometric survey and the area of Permit 204 was covered by aerial work in 1969, the results of which are available at the Alberta Research Council offices. This work indicates a northwest trending anomaly, covered by the adjoining Permit No. 199 and a single line high close to the south boundary of Permit 204.
SCINTILLATION SURVEY

The radiometric work on Permit 204 was carried out in March and April with a SRATT model SP-2 scintillometer. No operational problems were encountered at temperatures of -25° with the battery pack carried inside a parka. Experience on the adjoining Permit 199 suggest that readings taken over snow cover of 1 - 2 feet report at 60% of those with no snow or frost.

Reconnaissance lines were run to the north of Permit 199 to test for the extension of this anomaly onto Permit 204 without obtaining any above background readings of 10 - 15 counts per second.

Reconnaissance followed by flagged east-west grid lines at 200 meter interval and readings at 25 meter stations located the aerial anomaly on the boundary between Permit 204 and 203. Here, with background again 10 - 15 c.p.s., readings of plus 30 may be considered anomalous. The accompanying plan shows the major portion of this anomaly to occur over Permit 203.
CONCLUSIONS

The low order anomaly located could be due to three sources; change in underlying rock composition, radioactive boulders in the overburden or uranium mineralization.

From experience on the adjoining ground where a minimum thickness of 500 feet of sandstone cover has been demonstrated the only logical answer for the anomaly is transported boulders which are unlikely of economic significance.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Radiometrics is not a practical exploration tool where cover of mineralization in excess of 500 feet can be expected.

Further exploration in this area will depend on the depth to the regolith which may possibly be defined by resistivity or seismic methods. To determine the feasibility of this approach tests should be first carried out in the vicinity of the drill holes on the adjoining Permit No. 199.

Respectfully submitted,

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PLAN OF PERMIT 204

DRAWN BY: JWM
SCALE: 1" = 2 miles
DATE: JAN. 17, 1977
N.T.S.: Map No. 1

GREAT PLAINS

TP 111
TP 110

204
199
203
201

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1:5000 SCALE PLAN FOR DETAIL

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