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# NORTH-EAST URANIUM EXPLORATION CROCKER WELL URANIUM FIELD

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REFORT OF COMPLETION OF DIAMOND DRILLING
AT THE CROCKER SOUTH PROSPECT

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### NORTH-EAST URANIUM EXPLORATION

Report on Completion of Diamond Drilling at the Crocker South Prospect.

#### Summary

A bore of 508 feet length designed to test under an alluvial fill and explore along the strike of mineralization found only slight radioactivity from 92 to 93 feet. Davidite crystals are found in the outcrop in a biotite rich zone in hybrid granite that suggests a pegmatite origin. The low grade and discontinous radioactive area does not merit any additional testing.

#### Introduction

Airborne scintillometer surveys conducted in the Crocker Well district brought to notice a sharp anomaly from a low outcrop surrounded by an alluvial flat. This radioactive zone was shown on an early map by R. Sprigg and K. Seedsman Geological Plan US109 during the mapping and testing of the original Crocker Well find. Their sampling program included an area fifty foot square which averaged one-third pound of  $U_3O_8$  per long ton.

A re-examination in November 1954 led to the proposal for approval of a limited amount of diamond drilling to explore for the continuation of a possible better grade lode under the alluvial fill and test the possibility of a shear intersection with the known mineralization.

#### Location

This prospect is situated one-quarter mile south of the main Crocker Well deposit and one-half mile northwest of the Crocker Well camp.

#### Plan S 1064

Crocker South Frospect; Geology and Diamond Drilling and included Locality Plan.

#### Geology

Outcrons are represented by Archean rocks that Consist

of massive and late stage leuco granite with later pegmatites which intrude older sediments forming migmatitic gneiss, hybrid granites, and sheared basic rocks of shining biotite.

Uranium mineralization is confined to an outcrop area 100 feet by 50 feet as vughy crystals of davidite in small clusters or pockets. Radioactivity favours the biotite zone and suggests a possible pegmatitic origin.

A sample of this davidite is reported by the Petrological Laboratory (A. Whittle) in S.R. 26/4/17 as follows:

"Dull submetallic black mineral with a sub-conchoidal fracture proved on polishing to consist largely of davidite containing numerous and irregular inclusions of rutile".

#### Diamond Drilling

Bore No. 1 was directed N. 45°E to follow and explore the strike mineralization and was depressed 40 degrees to pass under the most radioactive portion of the chip sample area. It was surmised that the alluvial fill represented a shear and the bore should pass through this intersection with the radioactive zone. Only one small cluster of davidite from 92 to 93 feet was found in the core which was mainly granite. The bore found no shear material and the 508 feet length adequately explored the alluviated area.

#### Radiometric Longing

The bore was logged to 507 feet by the Geophysical Department and the only radioactivity found was in the interval from 92 to 93 feet which gave a calculated radiometric assay from calibrated tube readings of six pounds of U<sub>3</sub>0<sub>8</sub> per long ton.

#### Conclusions and Recommendations

No ore reserves are available at this prospect and no additional investigations are recommended.

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# DIAMOND DRILL LOG

Project CRUCKER WELL SOUTH	DM		
Project Crocker Well South No. 1			
Bore No			
HundredSection	Plan Reference		
Co-ordinates	R.L. of Collar		
Co-ordinates N.45°E.  Bearing Depressed	Driller R. Strempel		
Date Drilling commenced	Date Drilling completed		

# LOG

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11	5	41	5 0			Hybrid biotite granite Grey hybrid granite with quartz-felspar intrusive small fragment of davidite at 22
41	, 0	96	0		•	Hybrid biotitic with sheared brecciated zones full of biotite (unbrecciated zones are leucocratic) 92 to 93 feet slight emon
96	0	111	4			radioactivity from davidite crystals. Leuco granite
111	4	140	<u> </u>			Hybrid biotite granite
140-	O.	140		ł		Quartz seams
140	47	141	47	1		hybrid biotitic granite
141	7	142	ġ.			Quartz seam
142	0	143	0	ļ		hybrid biotitic granite
143	0	144	4			Brecciated biotite zone
144	4	145	1			Quertz seam
145	1	272	0			Greenish hybrid biotitic granite
0.70			_			171 feet calcite seam - shear foliation 45' 184 to 184'6" pegmatite with pyrite 204,20' 214, 253'6", and 255'6" pegmatites. Two to six inches wide cutting granite
272	0	274	0			Greenish sheared zone with biotite and enidote
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