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GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

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#### INTRODUCTION

Coongra No. 1 located approximately 130 km north-west of Oodnadatta (Fig. 1) was spudded on 3rd March 1978 and reached total depth on 20th March 1978 at 200.7 m. Numerous drilling problems occurred as a result of the collapse of unconsolidated formations into the well. A total of 67.85 m of core was cut recovering only 11.32 m (17%).

In the region of Coongra No. 1 (Fig. 1) Mesozoic sediments of the Eromanga Basin cover the Muloorinna Ridge, a "basement" feature that appears to separate the Permian Arckaringa and Pedirka basins.

The primary drilling objective was to determine whether Permian sediments extended across the northern Muloorinna Ridge, and thereby connected the Arckaringa and Pedirka basins. A secondary objective was to identify a "basement" high-speed seismic refractor, to assist interpretation of geophysical data. Two "basement" refractors have previously been identified in the region: a ?Devonian dolomite and an ?Ordovician quartzite.

The well penetrated sediments of the Eromanga Basin and was abandoned within the Early Cretaceous Cadnaowie Formation. At total depth the well was 34 m deep to prognosed "basement" but no Permian or "basement" was encountered.

#### WELL HISTORY

#### General Data

(i) Well: Coongra No. 1 (redrill: Coongra No. 1A)

(ii) Operator: S.A. Dept. of Mines

and Energy,

191 Greenhill Rd., EASTWOOD SA 5063

(iii) Petroleum Tenement: Outside any licence area

(iv) 1: 250 000 Sheet: Wintinna SG 53-14

(v) Location-Coongra

No. 1: Latitude 27<sup>0</sup>08'15" S Longitude 134<sup>0</sup>08'20" E

- Coongra No. 1A: 46.6 m, azimuth  $330^{\circ}$ , from Coongra No. 1

(vi) Elevation: ground level: 292 metres a.s.1.

Coongra No. 1 Coongra No. 1A

(vii) Total depth: 200.7 m (driller) 138 m (driller)

(viii)Date Drilling commenced: 3rd March 1978 14th March 1978

(ix) Date Total depth reached: 20th March 1978 15th March 1978

(x) Date well abandoned: 20th March 1978 16th March 1978

(xi) Date Rig released: 24th March 1978

(xii)Drilling time: 12 days 2 days

(xiii)Status: plugged and aban- plugged and aban-

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(xiv) Total cost: \$22,696

#### 2. Drilling Data

(i) Name and address of drilling contractor:

S.A. Department of Mines and Energy, Mechanical and Drilling Branch, Dalgleish Street, THEBARTON, SA 5031

(ii) Drilling rig:

Make: Mayhew 100

Rated Capacity: 305 metres, hole size 108 mm to 144 mm

Motor: Cummins C175 diesel

Power Rating: 175 HP @ 2,500 RPM

(iii) Mast:

Make: Gardner-Denver

Type: Tabular four way taper design

Rated Capacity: 35 000 1bs

(iv) Pumps:

(1) Rig pump:

Make: Gardner Denver

Type: Duplex slush pump

Size: F and G 5"  $\times$  6"; 150 gpm @ 75 strokes/min.

Motor: chain driven from rig P.T.O.

(2) Trailer mounted coring pump:

Make: John Bean

Type: 435 Triplex

Size:  $23/4'' \times 23/4''$ ; 30 gpm

Motor: Petter diesel

Power Rating: PH2-16 HP @ 2,000 rpm

(v) Blowout Prevention Equipment: None

(vi) Hole sizes and depths:

Coongra No. 1

Size	Depth (m)	Size	٠.	Depth (m)
11 3/4"	0.5	12¼"		0.5

Coongra No. 1A

4 3/4" 6.0 7½" 3

7¼" ream 6.0 5 3/8" 138

4 3/4" 18.0

5 3/8" ream 18.0

5 3/8" 66.0

7¼" ream 33.0

5 3/8" . 105.5

3 3/4" 118.6

5 3/8" ream 116.6

5 3/8" 127.4

128.4

128.4

131.6

147.8

3 3/4"

5 3/8"

3 3/4"

5 3/8" ream

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5 3/8" ream 147.8

5 3/8 165.6

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#### (vii) Casing and Cementing Details:

#### (1) Casing

#### Coongra No. 1

Size	Weight	Grade	Depth (m)
6"0.D. x 3/16" wall	11.641 lbs/ft	swelled, unstressed	33.3 m left in hole
PQ drillpipe O.D. 4½" I.D. 4 1/10"	10.31 lbs/ft	flush joint	165.2 m recovered

#### Coongra No. 1A

6" O.D. x 3/16" 11.641 lbs/ft swelled, 3 m recoverd wall unstressed

#### (2) Cementing:

Coongra No. 1: backfilled and plugged from surface to 36m using 9 sacks cement

Coongra No. 1A:backfilled and plugged from surface to 8m using 2 sacks cement

#### (viii)Drilling Material Consumed:

•	Coongra No. 1	Coongra No. 1A
Supagel Roplug Rotrol Hydropol Q-Broxim Rohull Diesel	12 sacks 1 sack 15 sacks 2/3 sack ½ sack 135 litres	3 sacks 8 sacks 2 sack 130 litres

#### Bits used:

No. used	<u>Size</u>	Type	Make
1	7 7/8	M :	Hughes (Coongra Nos 1,1A)
1	5 3/8	VH2	Varel (Coongra No 1)
1	5 3/8	V2	Varel (Coongra No 1A)
3	•	ond multistep	Mindrill (Coongra No 1)
1		sten chips	DM (Coongra No 1)

#### (ix) Type of Core Barrel and Inner Tube

Core Barrel: Longyear HQTT 3.0 m Inner Tube: Longyear HQTT 3.0 m

(x) <u>Water Supply</u>: Top bore located 3 km north of Welbourn Hill Station. Salty water, suitable for stock only.

#### (xi) Perforations: none

#### (xii) Fishing Operations:

Coongra No. 1 rotary-drilled 5 3/8" hole to 165.6 m depth. HQTT stuck in hole at 154.7 m. Snapped HQTT at 36 m. Fish with "A" type carrot on API drill string. Snapped HQTT at 45 m. Ordered PQ washover string from Department Depot. Moved off hole to Coongra No. 1 A, 46.6 m azimuth 330° from Coongra No. 1. Drilled to 138 m. Hole collapsed back to 12 m. Abandoned hole. Repositioned over Coongra No. 1. Washed over with PQ drillpipe to 165.2 m. Fished HQTT with "A" type carrot on API drill string. Recovered HQTT. Laid down barrel and damaged HQTT. RIH with HQTT using PQ drill pipe as casing, cored ahead until hole abandoned at 200.7 metres. PQ recovered, 6" casing abandoned.

#### 3. Formation Sampling

#### (i) Ditch Cuttings

One sample of ditch cuttings was taken for each 3-metre interval of rotary drilled hole, after allowance for ciculation-time lag to reach surface. A small fraction was washed and examined under x30 binocular microscope. Samples were not tested for fluorescence.

#### (ii) Coring - Coongra No. 1

Core Run	from	to	metres cut	Recovery	<u>%</u>
1	105.35	106.50	1.15	0.38	33
2	106.50	107.50	1.00	0.45	45
3	107.50	108.50	1.00	0.00	0
4	108.50	109.10	0.60	0.10	17
5	109.10	109.80	0.70	0.20	29
6	109.80	112.80	3.00	0.12	4
7	112.80	113.30	2.50	0.00	0
8	113.30	113.80	0.50	0.00	0

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Core Run	from	to	metres cut	Recovery	<u>%</u>
9	113.80	114.80	1.00	0.00	0.
10	114.80	115.60	0.80	0.01	1
11	115.60	118.60	3.00	0.04	1
12	127.40	128.40	1.00	0.00	0
13	131.60	132.95	1.35	0.72	53
14	132.95	135.95	3.00	1.00	3.3
15	135.95	136.80	0.85	0.68	80
16 .	136.80	139.80	3.00	1.58	53
17	139.80	142.40	2.60	1.43	55
18	142.40	145.20	2.80	1.93	69
19	145.20	147.80	2.60	1.67	64
20	165.20	168.20	3.00	0.82	27
21	168.20	171.20	3.00	0.00	0 .
2 2	171.20	174.20	3.00	0.00	0
23	174.20	177.20	3.00	0.00	0
24	177.20	180.20	3.00	0.11	4
25	180.20	185.20	5.00	0.00	0
26	185.20	186.55	1.35	0.00	0
27	186.55	186.90	0.35	0.00	0
28	186.90	187.37	0.47	0.00	0
29	187.37	187.50	0.13	0.00	0
30	187.50	187.80	0.30	0.05	17
31	187.80	188.00	0.20	0.00	0
32	188.00	188.30	0.30	0.01	3
33	188.30	191.30	3.00	0.00	0
34	191.30	191.40	0.10	0.00	0
35	191.40	194.40	3.00	0.00	0
36	194.40	197.40	3.00	0.00	0
37	197.40	198.00	0.60	0.00	0
38	198.00	200.00	2.00	0.00	0

Core Run	from	<u>to</u>	metres cut	Recovery	<u>%</u>
39	200.00	200.20	0.20	0.02	10
4.0	200.20	200.50	0.30	0.00	0
41	200.50	200.70	0.20	0.00	0
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TOTAL			67.85	11.32	17%

(iii) Repositories: all samples and cores are stored at:-

South Australian Department of Mines and Energy Core Library, Conyngham Street, GLENSIDE, SA 5063

#### 4. Logging Details and Surveys

Logging Details

Run 1

Gamma Ray, Neutron

Surface to 154 6" to 33 m (logs)

Density

" " HQ rods 154.7 m (driller SIH)

Run 2

Gamma Ray, Neutron

Surface to 198 6" to 33 m (logs)

Density

" " HQ rods to 153.6 m (logs)

S.P., Point 164.4 to 196.8 Resistivity

16" normal, 64" 160.8 to 196.2 normal resis. to 195.4

6' lateral resis. 160.8 to 196

(ii) Penetration Rate: recorded for each metre drilled.

(iii) No other surveys.

#### 5. Formation Testing

No formation testing was carried out.

#### **GEOLOGY**

#### 1. General

The Pedirka and Arckaringa basins are Permian infrabasins apparently separated by the Muloorinna Ridge (Milton and Morony, 1975) and overlain by Mesozoic sediments of the Eromanga Basin (Fig. 1). The Arckaringa Basin contains only Early Permian sediments, and although no Late Permian sediments have been identified in the Pedirka Basin they may exist in its deeper, eastern part (Devine and Youngs, 1975).

Within the region of interest (Fig. 2) the Muloorinna Ridge is built partly of ?Devonian dolomite at the Mount Willoughby No. 1 well (Thornton, 1971), and of ?Ordovician quartzite at the Oodnadatta No. 1 well (Freytag 1966: Wopfner et al., 1970), Oodnadatta Town Bore No. 2 (Thornton, 1974) and Weedina No. 1 well (Papalia, 1970). Permian stratigraphy within the Arckaringa and Pedirka basins can be summarised as follows:

Arckaringa Basin		<u>Pedirka Basin</u>
Mount Toondina Beds:		Purni Formation:
shales, silstones, minor sands	z	thinly bedded coals and
and coals.	I A	sandstones (upper unit)
	Ξ.	conglomerate, sandstone:
Stuart Range Formation:	E R	(middle unit);
shale with silty bands.	Д	carbonaceous shale,
	Υ Γ	sand and conglomeratic
Boorthanna Formation:	N N	lenses (lower unit).
conglomerate and sandstone	E A	
(upper unit);		Crown Point Formation:
diamictites (lower unit).		diamictites

Reviews of the Arckaringa and Pedirka basins have recently been published by Townsend (1976) and Youngs (1975).

Sediments of the Eromanga Basin include the Late Jurassic Algebuckina Sandstone and the overlying Early Cretaceous Cadnaowie, Bulldog Shale and Oodnadatta Formations (Wopfner et al., 1970).

The Algebuckina Sandstone is a fine-grained sand to pebble conglomerate; it is generally vivid white due to an abundance of interstitial kaolin. Vertical and lateral facies changes are common within this formation, which Wopfner et al. (1970) consider was deposited under freshwater terrestrial conditions.

The Cadnaowie Formation is dominantly a quartz sandstone; it is generally fine to medium-grained, containing irregular gritty bands and pebbles and particularly near its base may contain large boulders. These sediments were laid down under marginal marine conditions initiated by a marine transgression (Wopfner et al., 1970).

Dark grey shales, fossiliferous, carbonaceous, silty and pyritic are characteristic of the Bulldog Shale.

The Oodnadatta Formation is clay-rich and includes three members: the basal Coorikiana Member, a fine grained glauconitic sandstone; the silty Wooldridge Limestone Member; and the Mount Alexander Sandstone Member, which also is fine grained and glauconitic.

Tertiary silcretes, gibber spreads and/or Quaternary aeolian and gypseous sands are variably developed as a surface veneer throughout the area.

#### 2. Drilling Objectives

As a consequence of this Department's geophysical and geological investigations within the area, Devine and Youngs (1973, 1975) recognised that possible interconnection between the Pedirka and Arckaringa basins may have resulted in deposition of Permian sediments across the Muloorinna Ridge. Coongra No. 1 was sited principally to test this hypothesis. The well site location

3. STRATIGRAPHIC TABLE: Coongra No. 1 elevation: 292 m a.s.1. AGE MICROPLANKTON DRILLED DEPTH (m) FORMATION DEPTH (m) ZONES SUBSEA + 292 QUATERNARY Un-named + 283 S ALBIAN BULLDOG SHALE 0 ш C 82.3 + 209.7 CADNAOWIE FORMATION ш  $\alpha$  $\mathbf{c}$ c (1) LATE × APTIAN O.operculata b A ш EARLY a (2) (3)200.7 (TD) + 91.3

fossil assemblage at (1) 106 metres (2) 188.3-191.2 metres (3) 200.2 metres

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was selected on a seismic and gravity "high", (Fig. 4) with the secondary objective of determining "basement" lithology partly to assist seismic interpretation.

- 4. Stratigraphy
- 4.1 <u>Un-named</u> (Quaternary); depth interval: surface to 9 m.

  This unit consists dominantly of unconsolidated silcrete cobbles within a light brown, gritty, soil matrix.

Bulldog Shale (Albian); depth interval: 9m-82.3m

This formation consists of white, reddish, ochre and yellow weathered and oxidised clayey siltstones to a depth of approximately 36 m. Weathering diminished below this depth and the fresh rock consists predominantly of clayey siltstones, dark grey to black in colour, occasionally slightly calcareous and containing some carbonaceous specks. The siltstone fraction consists of fine, subangular clear to white quartz with minor amounts of glauconite. Pyrite and accessory opaques and some calcium carbonate crystals were noted together with some laminations in cuttings samples. Several hard bands of brown dolomitic siltstone, up to approximately 20 cm thick were intersected.

Interbedded glauconitic, fine to medium grained sandstones were developed between 60.3 m and 65.8 m depth. These were unconsolidated, porous and well sorted, composed predominantly of quartz, with angular to subrounded and often polished grains which were variably clear, white, rose, bluish or yellow. Glauconite constituted about 10% and pyrite 2% of the cuttings from these sandstones. Pyrite and chlorite growths were common on other grains and minor opaques including zircon and ?ilmenite also occur.

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Some interbeds of fine to medium grained quartz sandstone occurred below 66 m, becoming more common towards the base of the Bulldog Shale.

4.3 <u>Cadnaowie Formation</u> (Late Aptian-Albian?); depth interval, 82.3 m to 200.7 m.

This formation consists mainly of clay-rich, fine to coarse pebbly white quartzose sandstone, poorly sorted and probably lacking well-defined bedding. The sandstones commonly show a bimodal grain size distribution with subangular to subrounded grain shapes. Pyrite and ilmenite comprise up to 5% of the retrieved rock samples. Accessory glauconite, sphene, zircon, garnet, muscovite, other unidentified opaques and carbonaceous chips also were noted. The sand fraction averages 60% of the whole rock. The clay matrix is composed predominantly of kaolinite; it is shiny, bright white to light grey in colour and frequently forms thin (5cm) bands. The clay fraction appeared to increase with depth and near total depth it may average 60% of the whole rock.

Some sedimentary structure was visible in recovered cores with pebbles commonly concentrated in bands and heavy minerals commonly occurring as laminae on cross-bedding.

Within the interval 105-110 m quartz cobbles were drilled and at 127 m depth the top of an 80 cm thick pyritic sandstone was intersected.

The drilled Cadnaowie Formation generally was unconsolidated and had little cohesive strength.

A core sample taken at 106 m depth contained a microfossil assemblage which indicates a marine environment of deposition. Cuttings from the interval 188.3 m to 191.2 m depth and core from 200.2 m depth also contained microfossils indicating a marine environment of deposition. A sample taken from

core at 145.8 m depth contained spores and pollen only, indicating a probably non-marine environment of deposition.

#### 5. Results and Discussions

After considerable drilling difficulties a depth of 200.7 m was reached, this being 34 m below prognosed "basement" depth. The well was then plugged and abandoned because the geophysical interpretation was already proved incorrect and also because of mechanical problems (broken inner tube winch cable, no replacement diamond core bits, HQ rotary drilling could not occur through the washover PQ drillstring) which would have made additional drilling prohibitively expensive. The major drilling objectives were therefore not achieved.

Any interpretation of the section based upon the logging suite is unreliable. The hole was logged by running tools inside the washover string to 164.5 m and thereafter in the open hole. Corrections to the log readings for the effects of hole rugosity, casing thickness and density are not known.

It is possible that an Algebuckina Sandstone - Cadnaowie Formation contact may lie at 110 m depth in Coongra No. 1, based on core evidence for a cobble conglomerate just above that level. Wopfner et al. (1970) describe such a conglomerate at the base of the Cadnaowie Formation in the outcrop type section, ascribing it to a marine transgression. However, the section between 82.3 m and 200.7 m depth is otherwise consistent lithologically and its subdivision not warranted.

From a study of palynological data Hos (1979) presents a stratigraphic subdivision differing from that presented here. He recognized only Cadnaowie Formation from 83.5 m depth to total depth, and correlated it with marine mudstones of the Wallumbilla Formation. On page 10 of his report this inter-

pretation is contradicted, however, and it is suggested that the Coongra section above 67 m depth may be correlated with the Oodnadatta Formation.

Figures 4 and 5 present lithostratigraphic and biostratigraphic correlations between wells in the Coongra region.

Figure 4 indicates that relative to the biostratigraphic reference section for the Eromanga Basin of South Australia (Santos Oodnadatta No. 1), the Cadnaowie Formation as penetrated in Coongra No. 1 is diachronous. This confirms the comment made in Hos' (1979) Abstract.

Knowledge of the cover rocks over the Muloorinna Ridge has been little advanced by Coongra No. 1 (Fig. 5). Permian sediments have not been proven absent in the Coongra area, but it seems not unreasonable to assume that the Muloorinna Ridge, like the Birdsville Track Ridge, may have been emergent during the Permian.

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#### APPENDIX A

#### Coongra No. 1 Cuttings Descriptions

- 0-3 m quartz cobbles, silcrete, with gritty soil matrix; some reddish ochre and white claystone, minor gypsum.
- 3-6 m as above.
- 6-9 m as above.
- 9-12 m claystone (100%); weathered; red, white, grey in colour; soft, sticky, massive; minor gypsum flakes.
- 12-15 m as above.
- 15-18 m as above.
- 18-21 m claystone (80%) as above; 10% siltstone, yellow to red, ironstained, firm; minor gypsum.
- 21-24 m as above.
- 24-27 m as above.
- 27-30 m as above.
- 30-33 m as above.
- 33-36 m claystone (100%) as above; siltstone, dolomitic, very thin, brown, hard; intersected at 36 m.
- 36-39 m claystone (80%) as above; siltstones (20%), much fresher, dark to black, occasional shale laminae; clayey, contains very fine quartz silt, grains rounded, polished; soft to firm; non-calcareous.
- 39-42 m claystone (65%) as above; siltstone (35%) as above.
- 42-45 m as above; slightly harder.
- 45-48 m claystone (40%) as above; siltstone (60%) as above.
- 48-51 m as above.
- 51-54 m claystone (20%) as above; siltstone (80%) as above.
- 54-57 m as above; minor carbonaceous specks, glauconite grains.
- 57-60 m probably 100% siltstone; minor pyrite.
- 60-63 m siltstone (70%) as above; sandstone (30%), fine to medium grained, granular, white to pale, unconsolidated;

predominantly quartz; clear, rose, bluish, light green and yellow; angular to subrounded, some polished grains; 10% of sandstone is glauconite, 2% pyrite, minor chlorite; some quartz grains feature pyrite and chlorite growths.

- 63-66 m sandstone (100%) as above.
- 66-69 m siltstone (80%) as above; sandstone (20%) as above; lithologies probably interbedded.
- 69-72 m as above.
  - 72-75 m s as above
  - 75-78 m as above.
  - 78-81 m siltstone (55%) as above; sandstone (45%) as above.
  - 81-84 m as above to 83.50; thereafter sandstone, coarse.
  - 84-87 m sandstone (100%), medium to coarse grained; quartzose, clear, white, subangular to subrounded; small pebbles and granules frequent; poorly sorted; bimodal; set in white clayey kaolinitic matrix; accessory pyrite, garnet, limonite, mica, sphene, unidentified opaques, zircon, carbonaceous specks.
- 87-90 m as above.
  - 90-93 m as above.
  - 93-96 m as above.
  - 96-99 m as above.
  - 99-102 m as above.
  - 102-105.35 m as above.
  - 105.35-118.6 m Coring runs 1 to 11 inclusive for core descriptions see Appendix II.
  - 118.6-121.40 m as above.
  - 121.4-124.4 m as above.
  - 124.4-127.4 m as above; at 127 m predominantly poor recovery due to white kaolonitic soapy clay; washes away easily.
  - 127.4-128.4 m Core run 12.
  - 128.4-131.6 m sandstone as above; at 128.2 m intersected sandstone, pyritic; very hard; 30% quartz grains; coarse.

131.6-147.8 m Coring runs 13 to 19 inclusive.

147.8-151 m as above.

151-154 m as above.

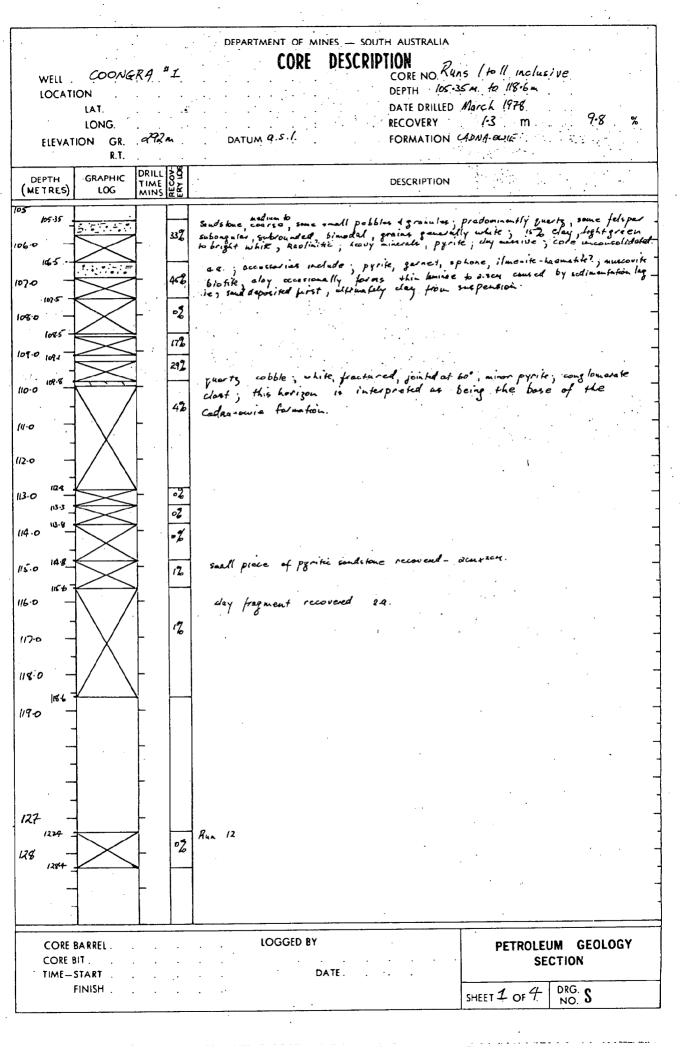
154-157 m as above.

157-160 m as above.

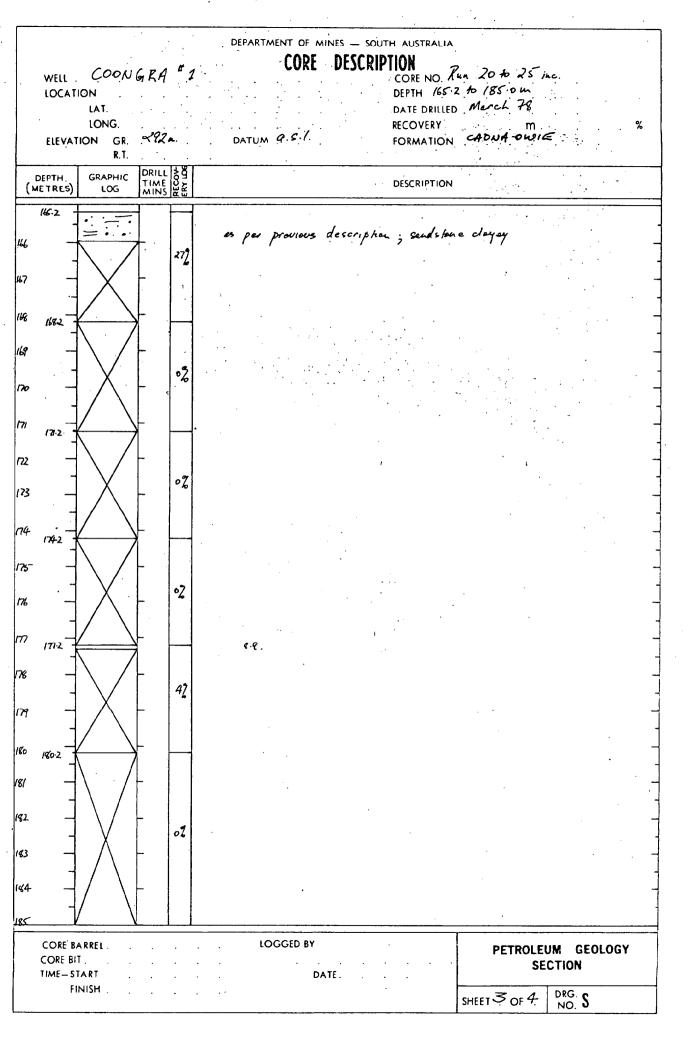
160-163 m as above. 🌸

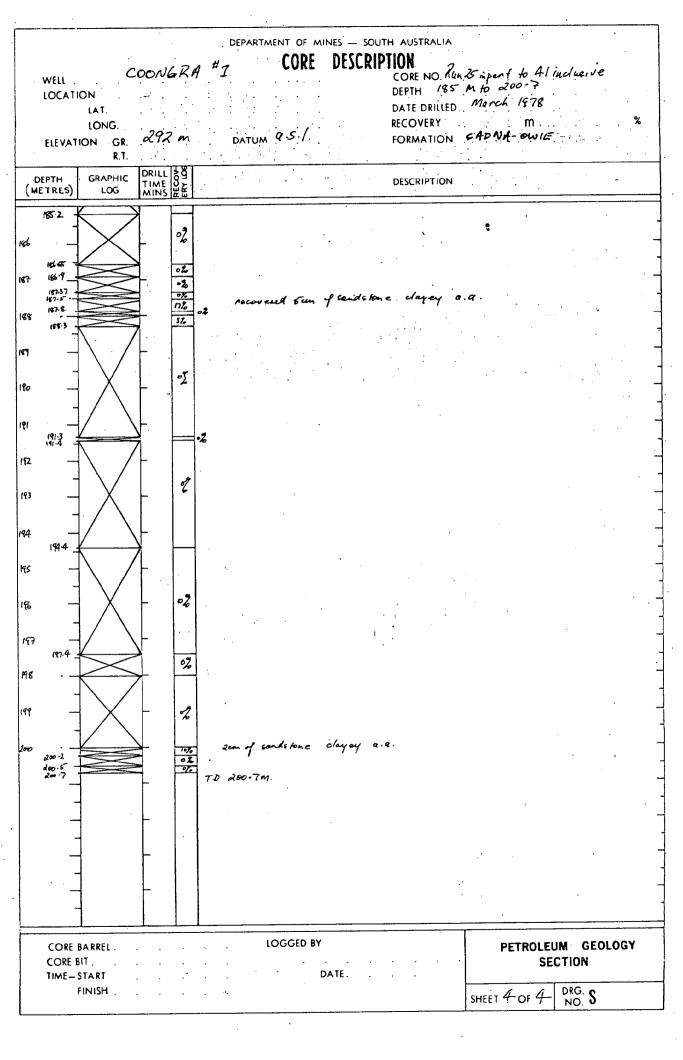
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# APPENDIX B CORE DESCRIPTIONS



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# APPENDIX C PETROGRAPHIC DESCRIPTIONS



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Director General, Department of Mines & Energy, PO Box 151, SA 5063. EASTWOOD,

Attention: I. Northcott

REPORT GS3571/78

YOUR REFERENCE:

Application of 7 April 1978

MATERIAL:

4 rocks/sands

LOCALITY:

Coongra No. 1

IDENTIFICATION:

P537 - P540/78

DATE RECEIVED:

10 April 1978

WORK REQUIRED:

As specified on application

Investigation and Report by: Dr Brian Steveson

Manager, Geological Services Division: Dr Keith J. Henley

for R.E. Wilmshurst Acting Managing Director

#### EXAMINATION OF SAMPLES FROM COONGRA NO.1

#### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PROCEDURES

Four samples (P537-P540/78) were received from Fossil Fuels section of SADME. A clay analysis was carried out on P537/78; this was done simply by carrying out an X-ray diffractometer scan of the bulk sample. No further testing was required.

The three other samples were loose sands and these were deslimed at 0.045 mm; and the -1.2+0.045 mm fraction was separated statically in tetrabromoethane (sp.gr. 2.96). The products were washed, dried and weighed. The sp.gr. products were then examined both in transmitted light (heavy and light products) and in polarised reflected light (PS Nos. 26652-4) (heavy products).

#### RESULTS

Sample P537/78 consists predominantly of well-crystallised kaolinite, with moderate quartz and traces of muscovite.

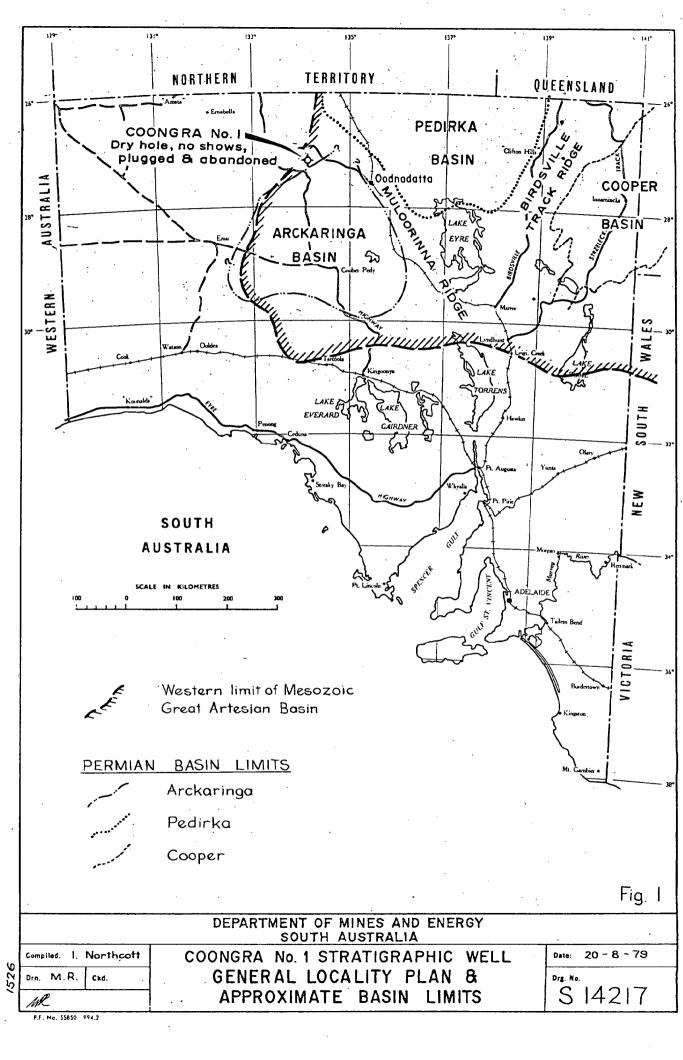
The proportions of >2.96 sp.gr. material in the separated portions of the three other samples are as follows:

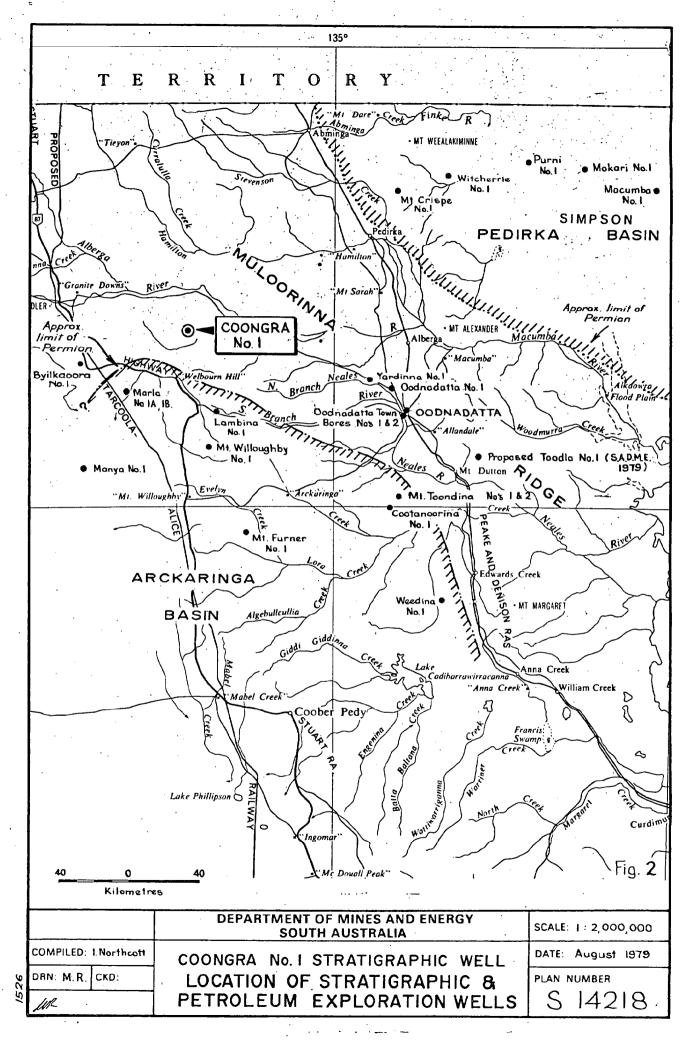
Sample	% >2.96 sp.gr.
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P539/78	2.19
P540/78	2.85

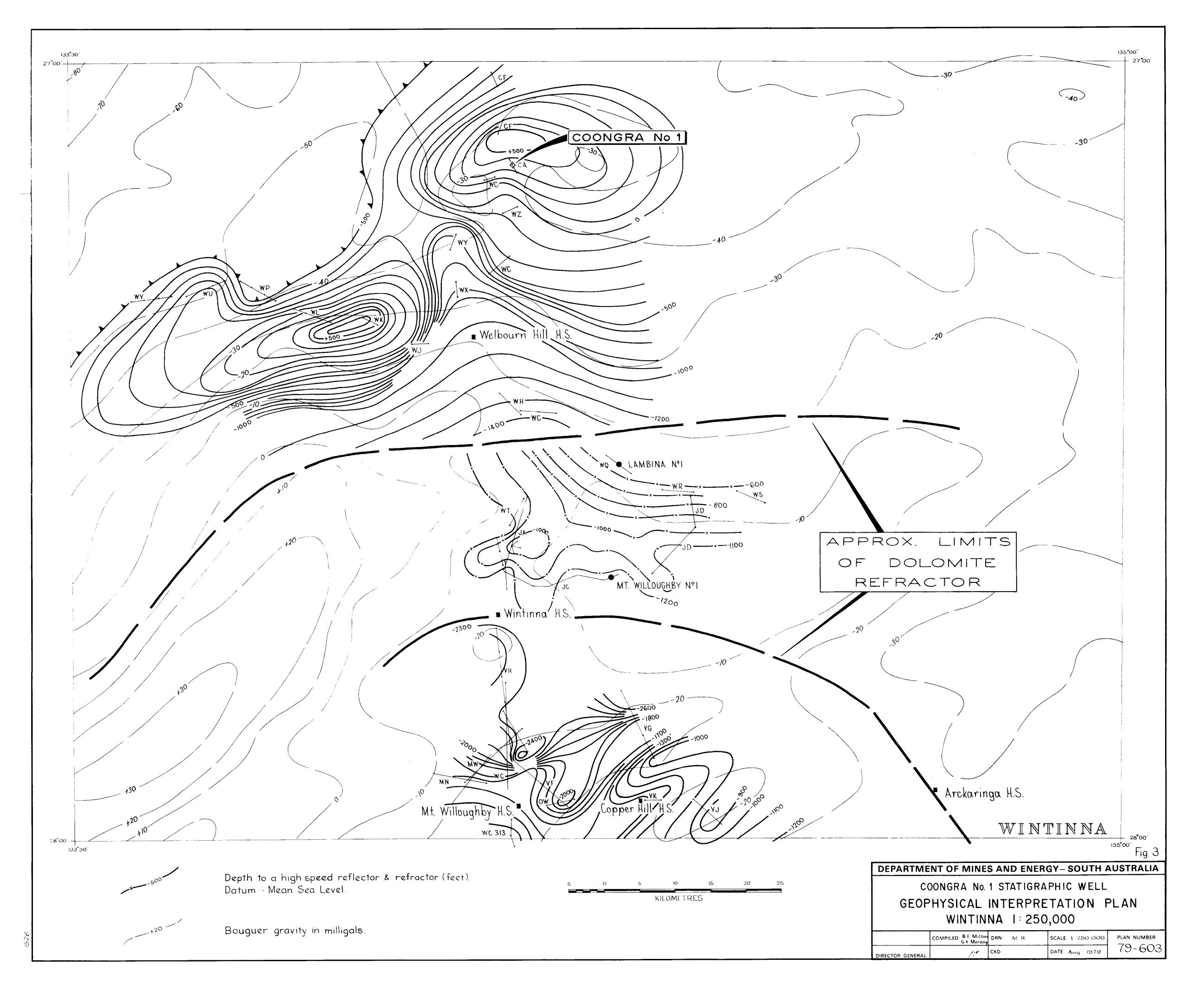
P538/78 consists predominantly of angular to subangular quartz grains ranging in size from 0.15 mm to 1.5 mm. The average grain size is approximately 0.25 to 0.3 mm; in general, the sand is moderately well sorted. There are small amounts of a brown, iron-stained clay and aggregates of clean, fine-grained ?kaolinite. The >2.96 sp.gr. product contains 95 to 98% of altered ilmenite and leucoxene with only traces of zircon, tourmaline, pyrite and rutile (possibly 1 to 3% each). Sillimanite and sphene were tentatively identified also.

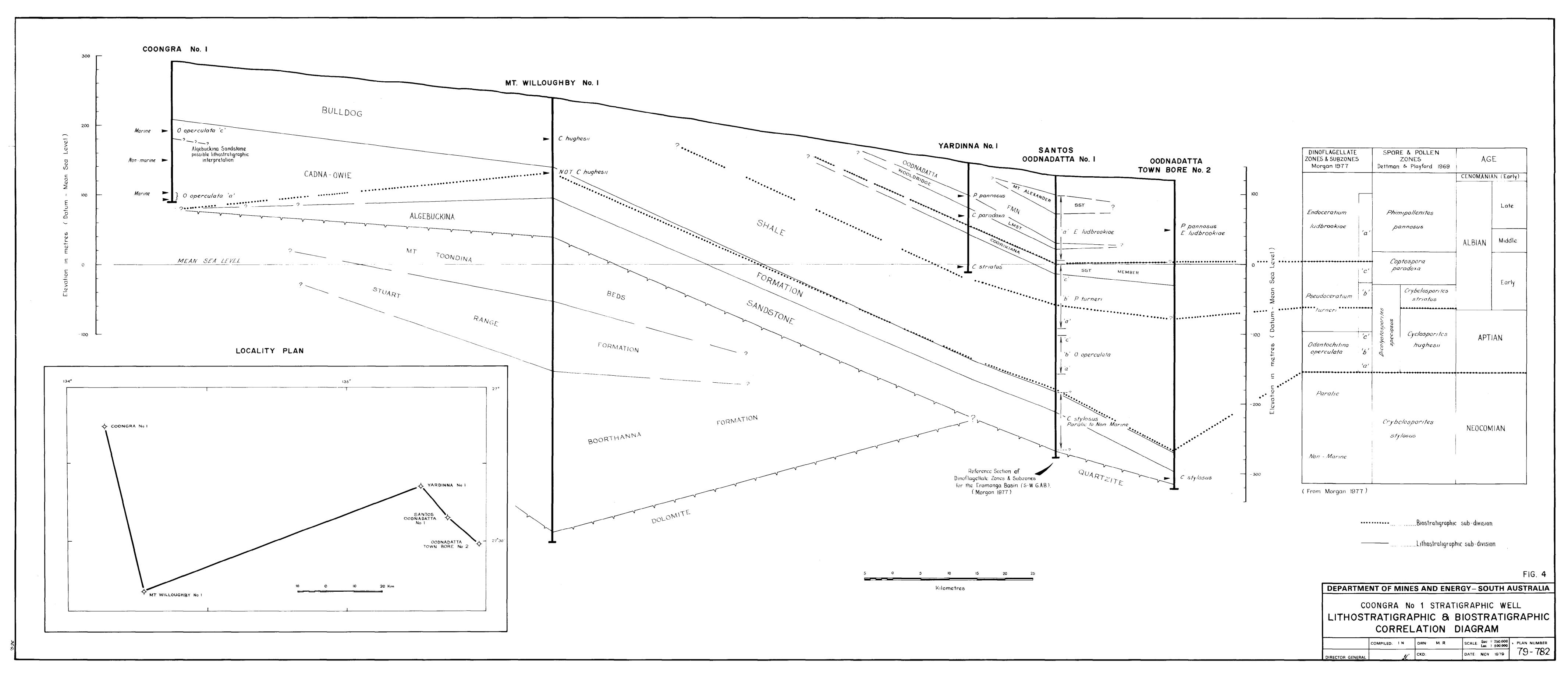
P539/78 is much coarser-grained and the average grain size is about 0.8 to 1.0 mm with a range commonly from 0.4 to 4 mm. The abundant quartz grains are distinctly angular and many show re-entrant angles. Despite this evidence of immaturity, the sand is almost completely free from clay - only one or two grains of iron-stained clay were noted. The heavy product consists largely of altered ilmenite (90 to 95%) with small amounts of zircon, pyrite (some of which is framboidal) and a trace of ?galena.

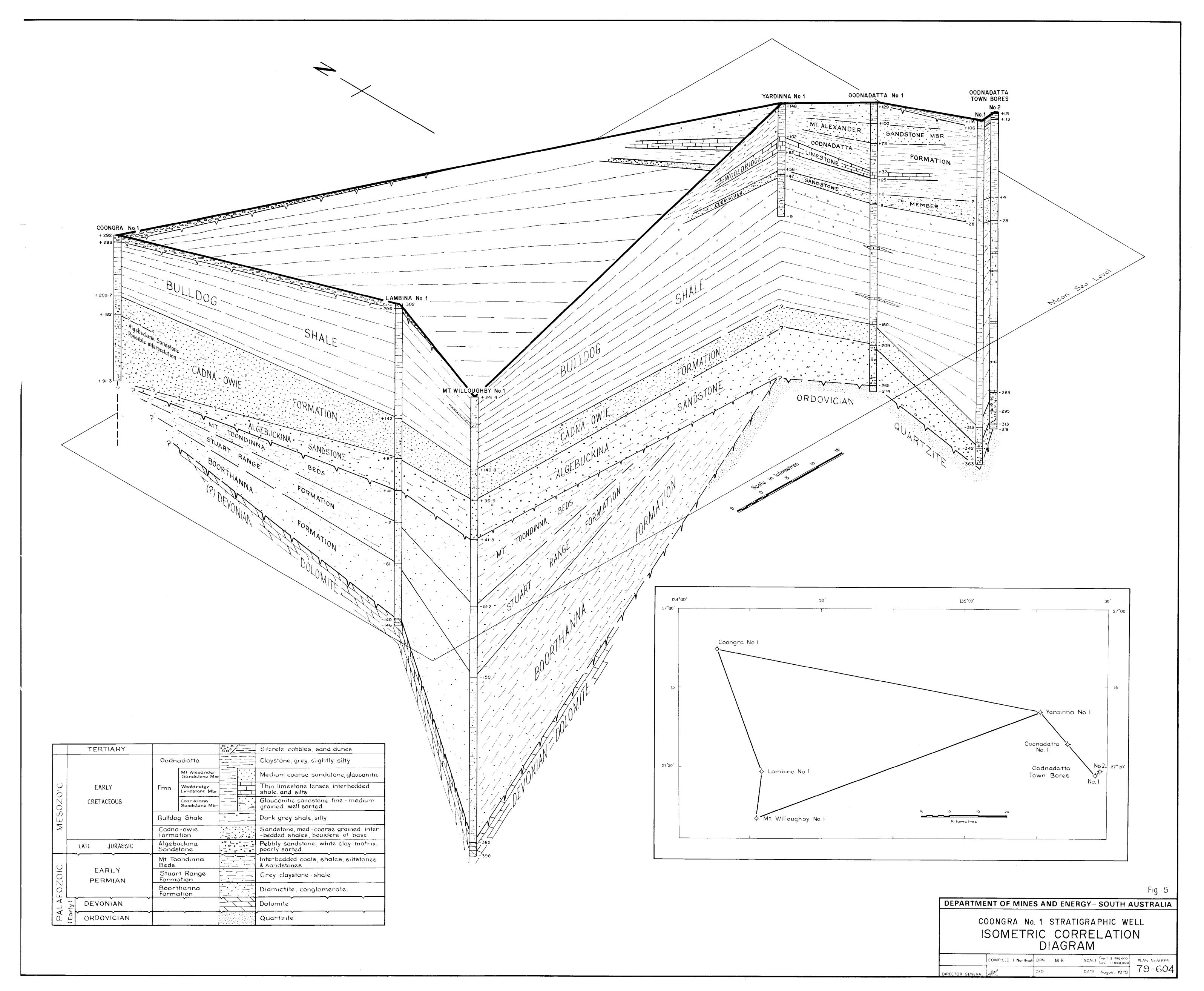
P540/78 is distinctly different from the two samples described above; quartz grains range from angular to sub-round varieties. The latter are in the size range of 0.25 to 0.7 mm whereas the whole of the sample has a size range of 0.2 to 1.5 mm, with an average of 0.4 mm. There are traces, only, of brown, iron-stained clays. The heavy fraction contains about 90% of pyrite and more than 5% of kyanite. Other trace heavy components are magnetite, rutile and staurolite.











## COMPOSITE WELL LOG

## DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND ENERGY - SOUTH AUSTRALIA

## COONGRA No. 1

1:250000 MILE SHEET:

WINTINNA

BASIN:

EROMANGA

PETROLEUM TENEMENT:

STATE: SOUTH AUSTRALIA

WELL STATUS: PLUGGED & ABANDONED LITHOLOGICAL REFERENCE Latitude 27°08'15" S LOCATION: Longitude 134° 08' 20' E Shale claystone Sandstone Kaolinitic **ELEVATION:** 292 m. Datum : - M.S.L. 6 FT. LATERAL TYPE OF LOG NEUTRON GAMMA RAY 64. IN.NORMAL Granular Glauconitic Sandy shale 20-3-79 20-3-79 DATE OF RUN 3rd March 1978 DATE SPUDDED: FIRST READING Pebble G Garnet Silty shale DATE DRILLING STOPPED: 20th March 1978 LAST READING 24th March 1978 DATE RIG RELEASED: 160 8 - 196.2m 160.8 - 195.4m 160.8 - 196 Calcareous 164.4 - 196.8 0 - 198.0 0 - 198.0 Siltstone Lithic  $\mathcal{I}$ INTERVAL MEASURED TOTAL DEPTH: 200·2 m 165 2 CASING: LOGGER Anhydrite Dolomitic Argillaceous 165.7CASING : DRILLER HOLE SIZE: INCHES siltstone 0 33 m 196.2 196.0 196.8 198.0 195.4 198.0 DEPTH REACHED Рy Pyrite 0 Oolitic Sandy siltstone 165·6 m 200.7 200.7 200.7 200.7 BOTTOM: DRILLER 165-6 200-2 m Calcite Micaceous Fossiliferous Fragmental MUD TYPE or Indeterminate DENSITY / VISCOSITY Feldspathic Dolomite Carbonaceous CASING: CEMENTED TO FROM Ph/ FLUID LOSS C.C. 0-33 m. 6" MUD RESISTIVITY Gypsum Gypsiferous Ferruginous RECORDED BY . Northcott ca Carbonate Fragments Quantzite Manganese Mn WITNESSED BY NOTE : All depths in metres Quartz grains Dolomite pebbles CEMENT PLUGS: Backfilled and plugged from surface to 36 metres. WELL SYMBOLS OTHER SURVEYS: TYPE CORE INTERVAL AND NUMBER CASING SHOE PLUGGED INTERVAL FLUORESCENCE CUT WITH CCE DRILLED BY: S. A. DEPARTMENT OF MINES. ROTARY. DRILLING METHOD: S. A. DEPARTMENT OF MINES. LOGGED BY: LITHOLOGY BY : 1. Northcott COMPILED BY DRAFTED BY: M Ross DRAWING NUMBER: 79-605 STRATIGRAPHIC CASING, PLUGS & TESTS BIOSTRATIGRAPHY HYDROCARBONS ORD LITHOLOGY DEPTH (METRES) LITHOLOGY GAMMA NEUTRON COLUMN LOG LOG REC LITHOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION DRILLING RATE O FI \_ 150 cps. \_ Solid line CORES ES & AEONT PETTO SAI MINUTES / METRE BIT CUTTINGS 250 cps Dashed Quartz cobbles, silicified, white to pastel 0.00 coloured. Light brown gritty soil matrix. Petrography sample Palynological sample Claystone , red , white - grey & ochre coloured , weathered, soft, sticky, massive, minor gypsum flakes. ås Siltstone, clayey, iron-stained yellow to red, AL Siltstone, brown, dolomitic, hard SH Claystone as above. Siltstone, dark grey to black, occasional shale laminae, clayey, very fine quartz grains, soft to firm, non-calcareous. BULLDOG Sandstone, fine to med grained, granular, white - pastel in colour, unconsolidated, grains predominently quartz, clear, white, rose, bluish I light green to yellow, angular to subrounded. some polished grns, 10% glauconite, 2% pyrite minor chlorite; some quartz grains feature pyrite and chlorite growths. Siltstone, dark grey to black, clayey as above. probably interbedded with above lithologies. Sandstone as above Sandstone, medium to coarse grained. pebbly, clayey. Quartz, clear to white, angular poorly sorted. Small pebbles and granules frequent Some quartz grain aggregates set in calcareous cement. Up to 2% pyrite, access--ory garnet, ilmenite, micas, sphene, other 100 unidentified opaques. Clay matrix cright white to light grey, shiny, composed predomin -ently of kaolinite, soapy in texture. Thin Aption clay bands also developed. Some heavy 00000 00000 mineral laminae unit unconsolidated. Scattered quartz pebbles at base. FORMATION Sandstone, as above 125 Sandstone pyritic, med. grained, 30% quartz grains, coarse; hard. Recovery 9:01m. 55:6% **◄** P539 Aptian -Sandstone, as above -150-OWIE CADNA Early Aptian → P538 | \_= → S 4524 Early TOTAL DEPTH 200.7 m. 200 T.D. 200-7 FIG. 6