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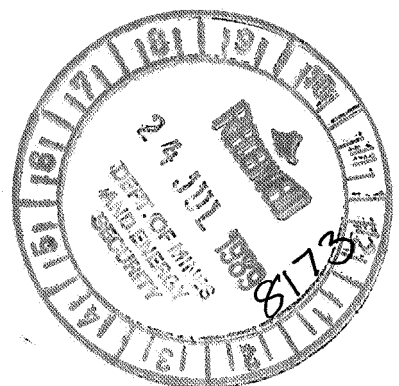
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## 1 INTRODUCTION.

Three Exploration Licences were acquired over portions of the Padthaway Ridge following conceptual studies which identified the area as being prospective for the discovery of accumulations of heavy mineral sands. A reconnaissance drilling programme to examine the stratigraphy and heavy mineral content of the Pliocene and Pleistocene sand sequences within the tenements is scheduled to commence during the next quarter.

## 2 LOCATION, TENURE, PREVIOUS EXPLORATION.

Exploration Licence 1555 covering an area of 1428 square kilometres was granted on 9 January, 1989 for a period of six months to a Joint Venture consisting of Mining Corporation of Australia Limited and Demis Pty Ltd.

The tenement is located immediately west of Bordertown extending approximately 30 kilometres to the south and west towards Padthaway. The tenement was designed to cover a postulated Pliocene attachment structure developed behind the exposures of basement rocks about Willalooka.

Parts of the area were previously examined by the BMR as part of a regional reconnaissance of the Pliocene transgression and Pleistocene coastal dune system.

## 3 EXPLORATION OBJECTIVES.

The significant heavy mineral deposits reported to date in the Murray Basin have been contained within micaceous sands of the Pliocene Parilla Sands. While comprehensive data is not available the deposits appear to be either relatively linear accumulations associated with palaeobeaches, or more equidimensional and contained within laminar bedded sediments deposited in coastal "attachment" or "tombolo" structures. Such depositional environments can be expected to have occurred repeatedly during the Pliocene transgression and it was decided to attempt to outline areas where tombolo features may have formed and not been either obliterated or covered by subsequent events.

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## 5 FORWARD PROGRAMME.

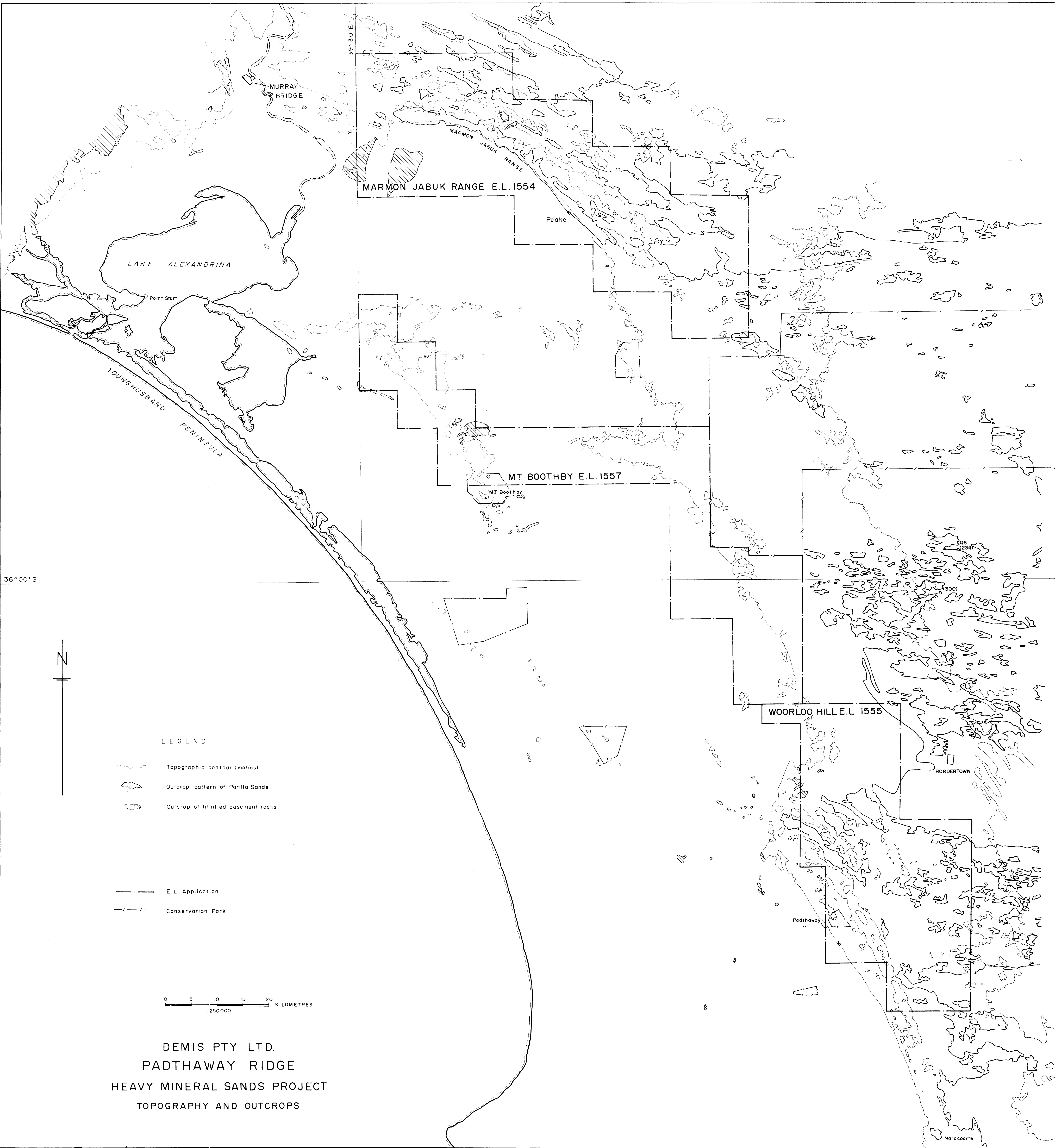
A reconnaissance drilling programme is scheduled to commence in the area at the end of the reporting period. The programme will be designed to provide information on the stratigraphy of the Pliocene sand sequence, and the morphology and heavy mineral content of the sands within the postulated tombolo structure.

Results of the drilling and subsequent determinations of the heavy mineral mineralogy will determine the scope of further work.

## 6 EXPENDITURE.

Expenditures reported herein relate predominantly to the initial research and title acquisition phase. The work was carried out over the length of the Padthaway Ridge and the accumulated costs have been allocated equally to the three resulting Exploration Licences.

Geology and reporting	\$ 4,108
Data acquisition	\$ 54
Vehicle	\$ 170
Drafting and printing	\$ 186
Administration and overheads	\$ 565
	\$ 5,082



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MURRAY  
BRIDGE

LAKE ALEXANDRINA

Point Sturt

YOUNGHUSBAND  
PENINSULA

MARMON JABUK RANGE E.L. 1554

Peake

MT BOOTHBY E.L. 1557

MT Boothby

WOORLOO HILL E.L. 1555

BORDERTOWN

Padthaway

Naracoorte

LEGEND

- Topographic contour (metres)
- Outcrop pattern of Parilla Sands
- Outcrop of lithified basement rocks
- E.L. Application
- Conservation Park

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HEAVY MINERAL SANDS PROJECT  
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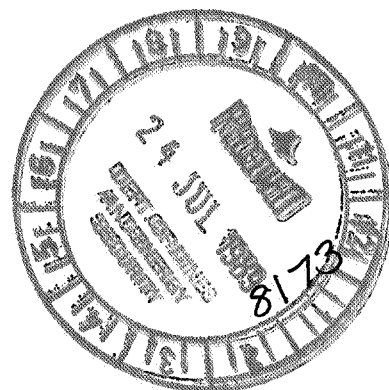
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The drilling data is still being assessed.

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Within the tenement area the distribution of mapped outcrops of Pliocene sands (in fact of lateritised sandy sediments) and discernable geomorphic trends of both Pliocene and Pleistocene age were plotted (map attached). Between the limit of discernable Pliocene geomorphic trends about Bordertown and the basement outcrops about Willalooka the Pleistocene dunes appear to be developed on a relatively planar surface of Pliocene sands at an R.L. of approximately 60 metres above sea level. The curvilinear pattern of the Pleistocene dunes indicates that the prevailing swell during deposition was from the southwest with substantial refraction of the wave pattern about the Willalooka basement shoals.

The geomorphic trends in the Pliocene about Bordertown are presumed to reflect old dune systems which grade westward into a semi-emergent(?) tombolo structure developed in the lee of the Willalooka shoals. Late Pliocene lateritisation is assumed to have subdued the dune topography and levelled the tombolo to form the planar feature at R.L. 60 metres.

A reconnaissance pattern of fourteen drill holes was designed to test for the existence of the postulated Pliocene tombolo and to determine the overall heavy mineral content.

The drilling programme was commenced on 4 May and completed on 8 May, 1989. A total of 16 holes were drilled with an aggregate depth of 360 metres. A relatively consistent sand blanket of probable Pliocene age was intersected in the majority of the holes. Visually significant traces of heavy minerals were present in samples from several holes and selected intervals have been composited and submitted for determination of the mineral suite.

Compilation and analysis of the data is presently in progress.

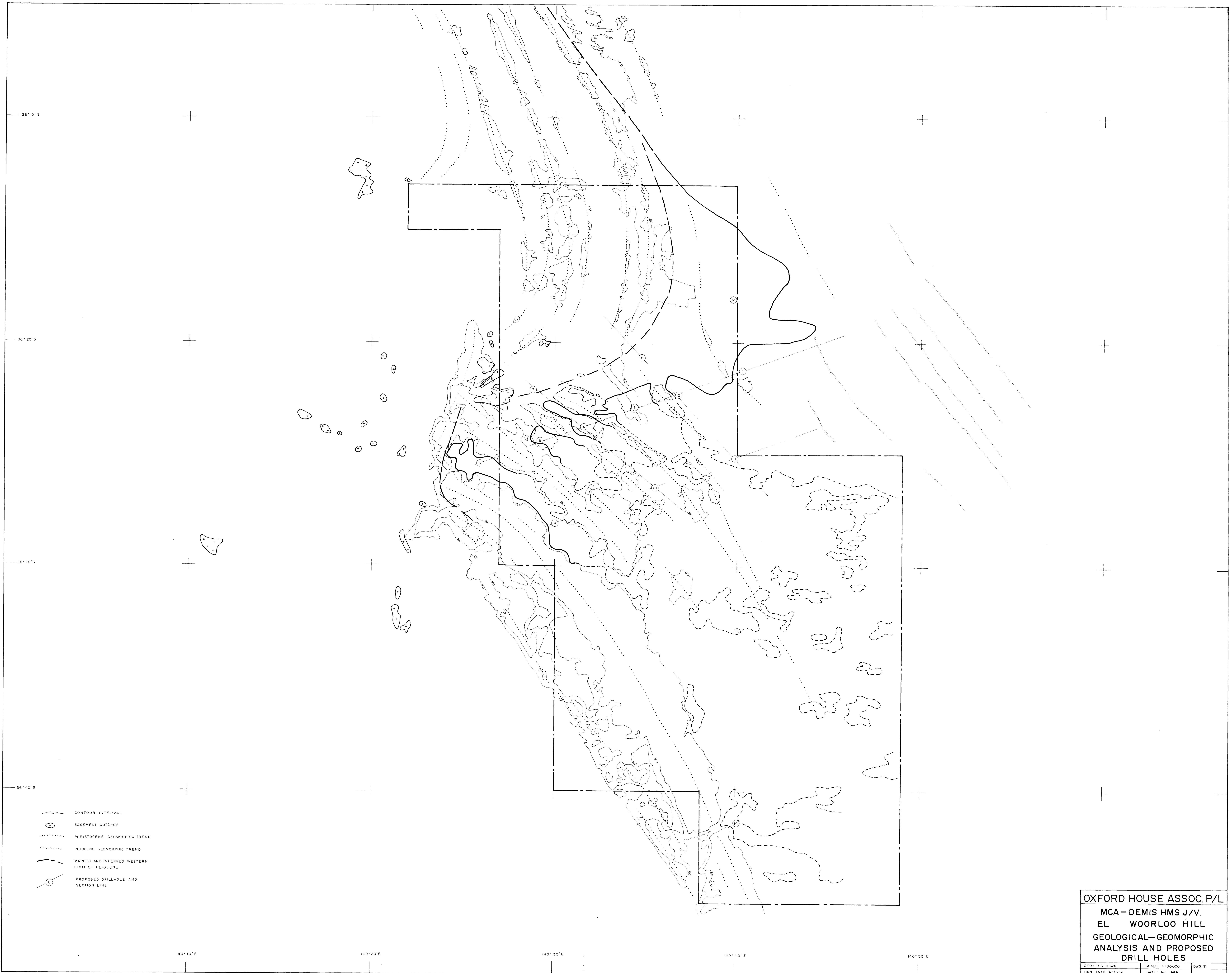
## 5 FORWARD PROGRAMME.

Results of the compilation and analysis of the drilling data and determinations of the mineralogy of the heavy mineral sand fraction will determine the scope of further work.

## 6 EXPENDITURE.

Expenditures reported herein relate the reconnaissance drilling and initial sample compositing and dispatch. Laboratory analytical work and geological data compilation is still in progress and will need to be reported separately.

	First Quarter	Second Quarter
Geology	\$ 4,108	\$ 6,391
Wages	\$ -	\$ 2,856
Data acquisition	\$ 54	\$ -
Vehicle	\$ 170	\$ 2,018
Accommodation and meals	\$ -	\$ 1,979
Field supplies	\$ -	\$ 1,034
Drilling	\$ -	\$13,222
Drafting and printing	\$ 186	\$ -
Administration and overheads	\$ 565	\$ 1,785
	\$ 5,082	\$27,919
		<u>\$33,001</u>



- 20 m — CONTOUR INTERVAL
- BASEMENT OUTCROP
- - - - - PLEISTOCENE GEOMORPHIC TREND
- - - - - PLIOCENE GEOMORPHIC TREND
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ASSESSMENT OF THE HEAVY MINERAL  
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June, 1988.

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## 1 INTRODUCTION.

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Significant discoveries of heavy mineral sands have been made in the Pliocene sequences of the Murray Basin by CRA and Aberfoyle. Major programmes have been established by these companies to explore for further deposits throughout the Murray Basin in Victoria, South Australia and New South Wales. To date exploration has concentrated on the area of the Pliocene Strand Plain identified by Brown (1985). Recently BHP have applied for title to explore the major strandline system identified by the South Australian Department of Mines and Energy in the Ooldea Range north of the Nullabour Plain.

Analysis of Pliocene sedimentation along the Padthaway Ridge on the southwestern margin of the Murray Basin has identified a major shoreline feature in the Marmon Jabuk Range, with associated but younger shorelines developed in the Padthaway area. Traversing and sampling has established the presence of a suitable heavy mineral suite. Models of known heavy mineral deposits together with palaeogeographic reconstructions are used to assess the potential of this region and to identify exploration targets.

This report presents a summary of the geology and exploration potential of the areas. More information is available and field visits into the areas can be arranged.

Applications for Exploration Licences have been lodged over exploration targets in the Marmon Jabuk Range and the Padthaway area by Demis Pty Ltd who are seeking joint venture partners for the exploration of the area.

## 2 EXPLORATION BACKGROUND.

### 2.1 Known Murray Basin Deposits.

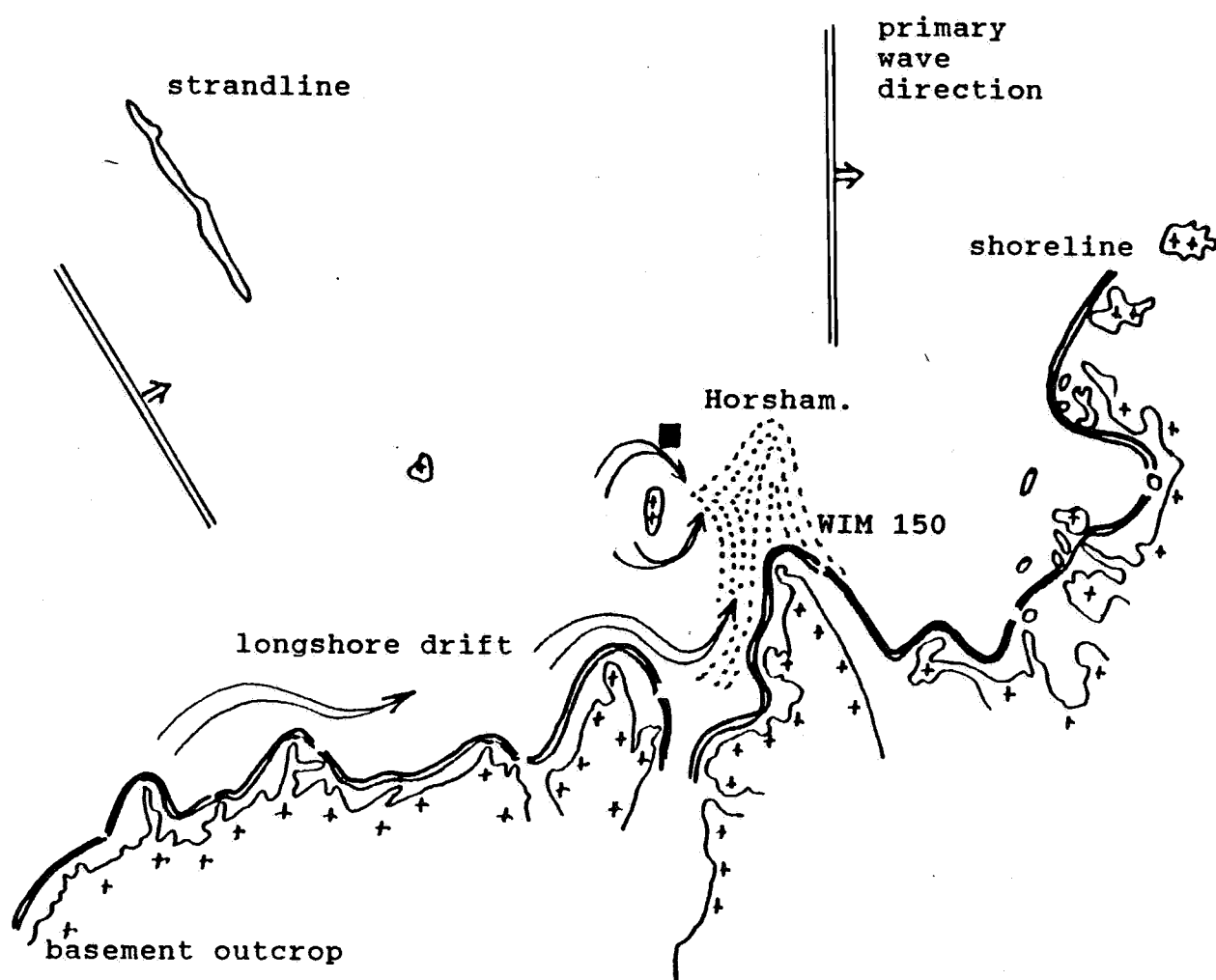
Exploration for heavy mineral sand deposits in the Victorian portion of the Murray Basin is dominated by a joint venture between Aberfoyle and Sandhurst Mining, and CRA.

The Aberfoyle-Sandhurst Mining JV has located a series of palaeostrandlines within the Pliocene Parilla Sands unit. In its Sea Lake (EL 1445) and Birchip (EL 1444) prospects the JV covers a 15 kilometre portion of the "Tyrrel Ridge" strandline and parallel dune system. Average heavy mineral content of some portions of the strand line is reported to be up to 11.6% total heavy mineral consisting of:

	THM	in-situ grade
rutile	13%	1.50%
zircon	14%	1.62%
monazite	1%	0.12%
ilmenite and others	71%	8.24%

CRA are evaluating the "WIM 150" deposit which is located several kilometres east of Horsham in Victoria adjacent to the margin of the Murray Basin. It is reported that the deposit contains in-situ reserves in excess of 1,000 million tonnes at over three





INTERPRETATION OF THE WIM 150 DEPOSIT.

Horsham, Victoria.

percent total heavy minerals at a two percent heavy mineral cut-off. The deposit consists of a heavy mineral bearing sand unit 10 to 15 metres thick overlain by approximately four metres of clay. Indicated in-situ grade of the reserve is;

rutile and anatase	0.34%
leucoxene	0.46%
ilmenite	1.25%
zircon	0.51%
monazite	0.06%
xenotime	0.02%

The CRA programmes commenced during 1984 and have advanced to the stage where detailed metallurgical studies are in progress and a feasibility study has been commissioned.

Little information on the geology of the WIM 150 deposit is available. However, an analysis of the prospect area from the available mapping suggests that the deposit may have formed as a composite spit and tombolo attaching to basement islands and shoals under the influence of longshore drift from the southwest. Such a mechanism could account for the apparent wide dispersion of moderate grade material.

The largest explorer in the South Australian portion of the Murray Basin is Aberfoyle who have stated that the target minerals are rutile, leucoxene, ilmenite and zircon. While no results have been released, informal comment indicate that some potentially viable mineralisation has been located apparently associated with strandlines within the Upper Pliocene Parilla Sands.

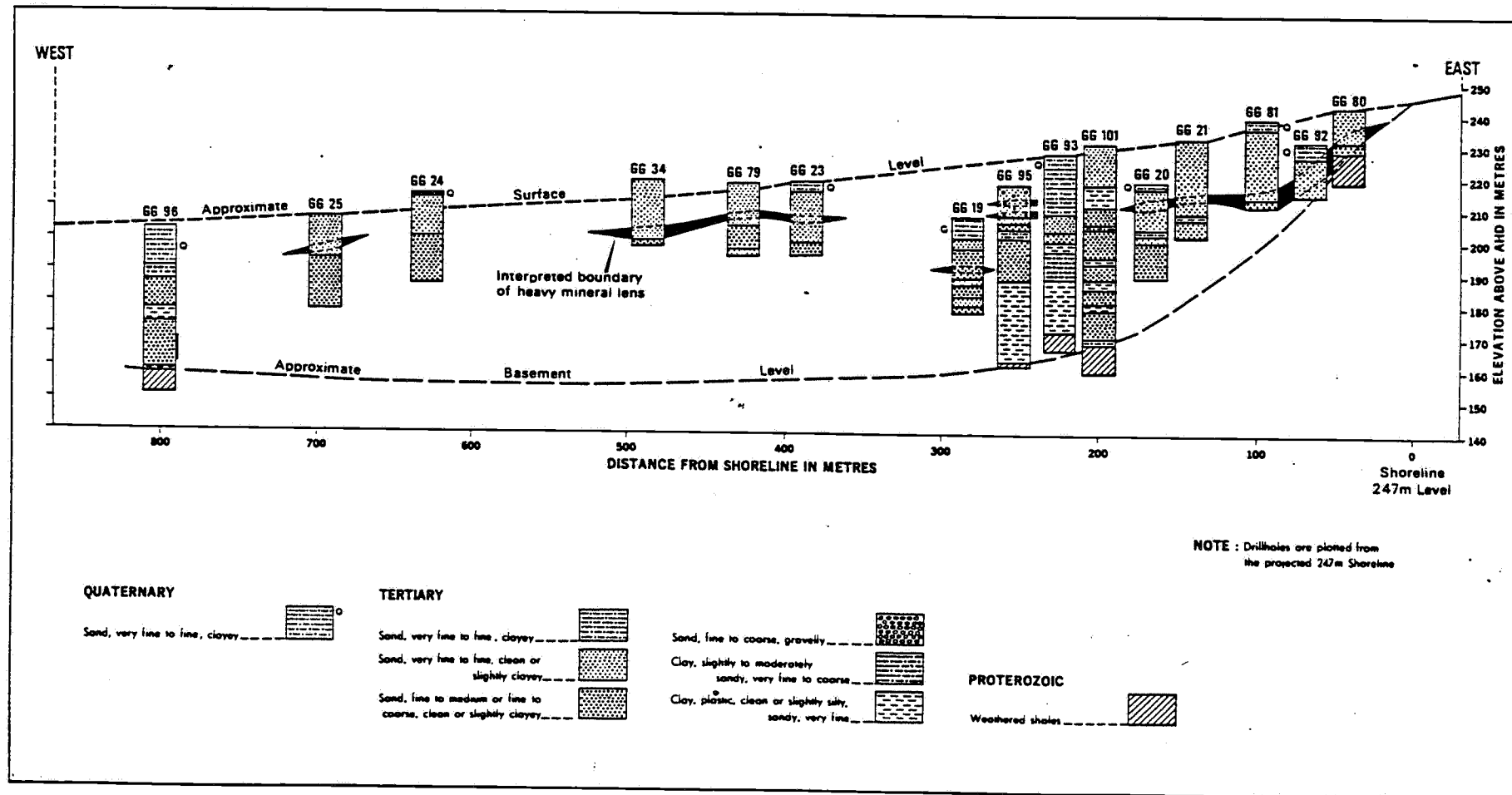
The western margin of the Murray Basin north of Murray Bridge is now covered by ELA's of Aberfoyle, CSR, BHP and Peregrine Resources. The distribution of the applications suggests that the area of the Parilla Strand Plain identified by Brown (1985) has been accepted as containing the most prospective environments. Exploration is apparently based on broad spaced pattern drilling with only rudimentary geological controls.

## 2.2 Other Deposits.

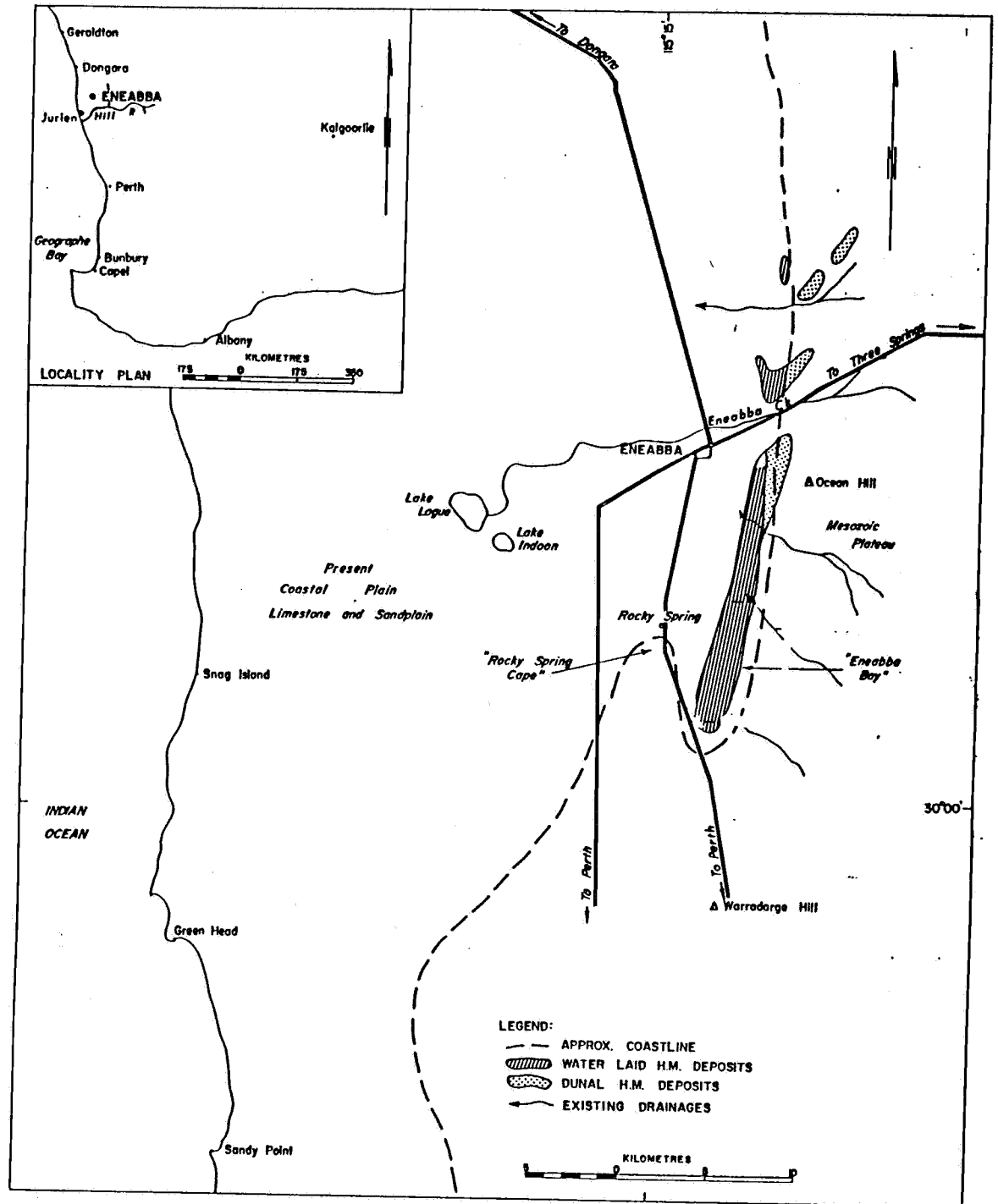
### 2.2.1 Golden Grove.

Tertiary marine and non-marine sequences with heavy mineral sands potential occur on the western side of the Mount Lofty Ranges in South Australia. The best known and documented is the Golden Grove heavy mineral accumulation which is located on the northeastern fringe of Adelaide on the western side of the Mount Lofty Ranges. The deposit consists mainly of ilmenite, rutile and zircon with lesser amounts of monazite, tourmaline, staurolite, sillimanite and kyanite. Heavy mineral content averages 7% comprising:

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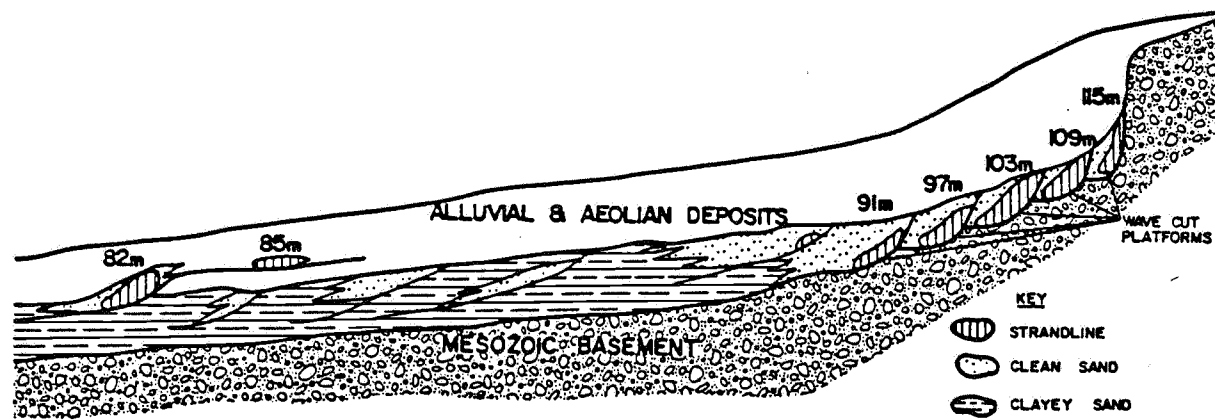


Schematic geological section, Golden Grove



Physiographic elements at the time of formation of the Eneabba deposit.

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Diagrammatic geological section of the Eneabba deposit (after J. McDonald).

	HMS	in-situ grade
rutile	25.5%	1.79%
zircon	18.4%	1.29%
ilmenite etc	16.2%	1.13%
monazite	1.9%	0.13%
tourmaline	21.3%	1.49%
staurolite	8.5%	0.59%
sillimanite	3.3%	0.23%
kyanite	0.8%	0.06%

The deposit is localised immediately adjacent to a basement defined shoreline with heavies sourced from the Adelaidean hinterland. The data are summarised in the attached figures from McCallum and Morris (1978).

### 2.2.2 Eneabba.

The Late Tertiary or Early Pleistocene Eneabba heavy mineral sands were sourced from local streams and concentrated and deposited in an open northwest facing bay exposed to the prevailing southwesterly wind and waves. Palaeostrandlines occupy wave platforms cut into Mesozoic sediments over a vertical interval of approximately 50 metres. The Mesozoic sediments contain up to 0.5% heavy minerals and are considered to be the immediate source.

The elements of the Eneabba deposits which are important in developing an exploration model are;

- # the deposits are localised in wave cut platforms in pre-existing sediments rather than crystalline basement.

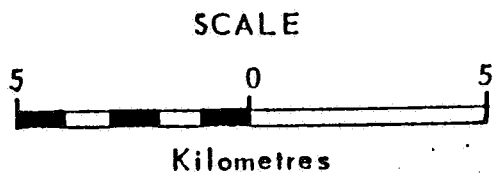
- # the deposits are down drift of, and partly behind, a major headland. The heavy minerals were presumably concentrated by a combination of longshore drift and flow separation behind the headland.

The data are summarised in the attached figures taken from Lissiman and Oxenford (1975).

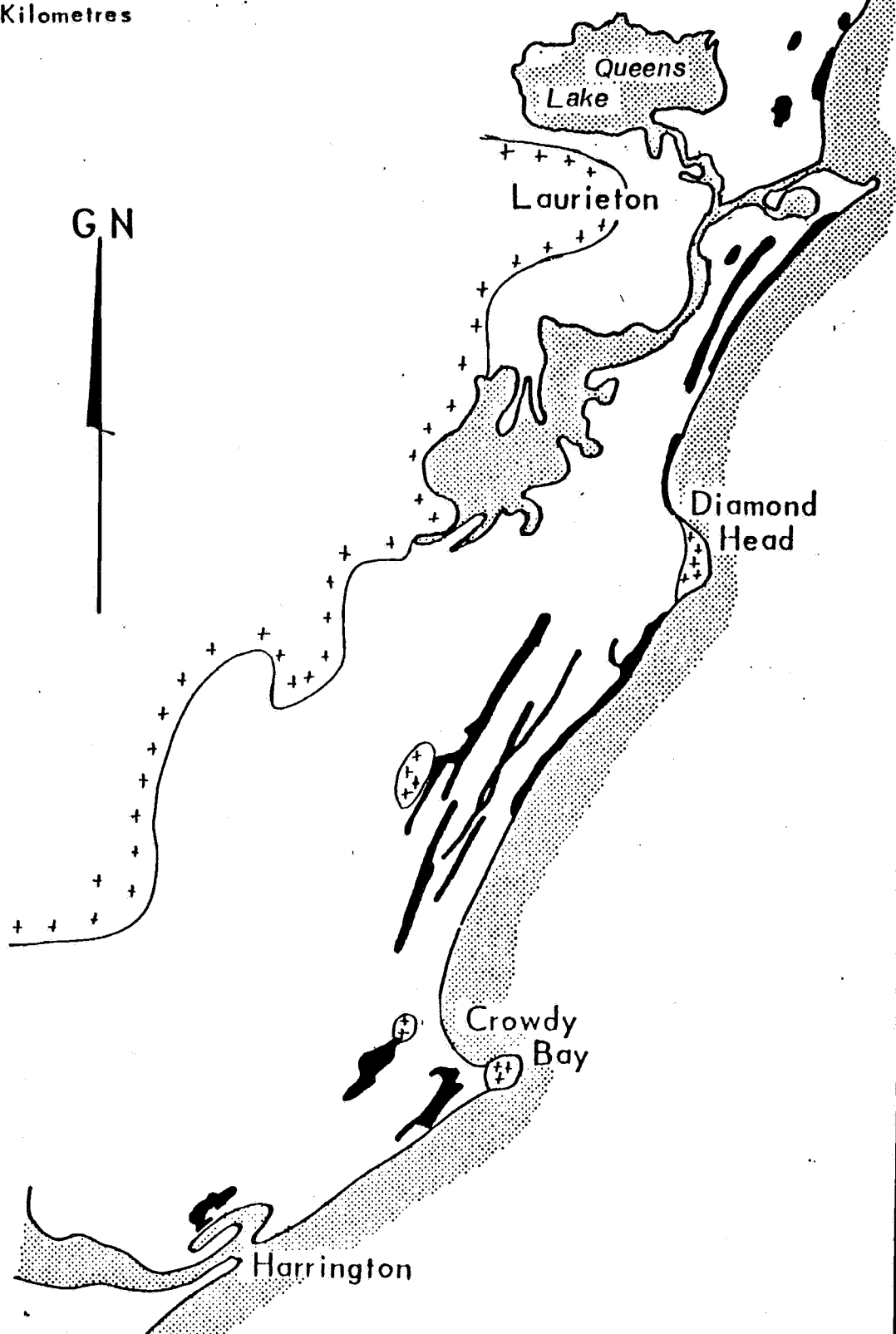
### 2.2.3 East Australian Rutile Province.

The Quaternary heavy mineral sand deposits of the east coast were deposited in a coastal environment dominated by a southeasterly swell and resultant strong northeasterly longshore drift. In the simplest case under these conditions mobile sediments constructed shore-parallel barriers and spits out from the lithic basement, with tombolos accumulating behind offshore islands and shoals. Continued progradation finally attached the spit and tombolo systems to the shoals, which then acted as headlands for the formation of zeta beach profiles down drift. In these situations heavy mineral deposits have formed most commonly along the linear portions of the zeta beach profiles, and on the updrift face of tombolo systems.

The above model is illustrated in the attached figures of the heavy mineral deposits of the Crowdy Bay - Diamond Head area in NSW. Data is taken from Winward (1974).

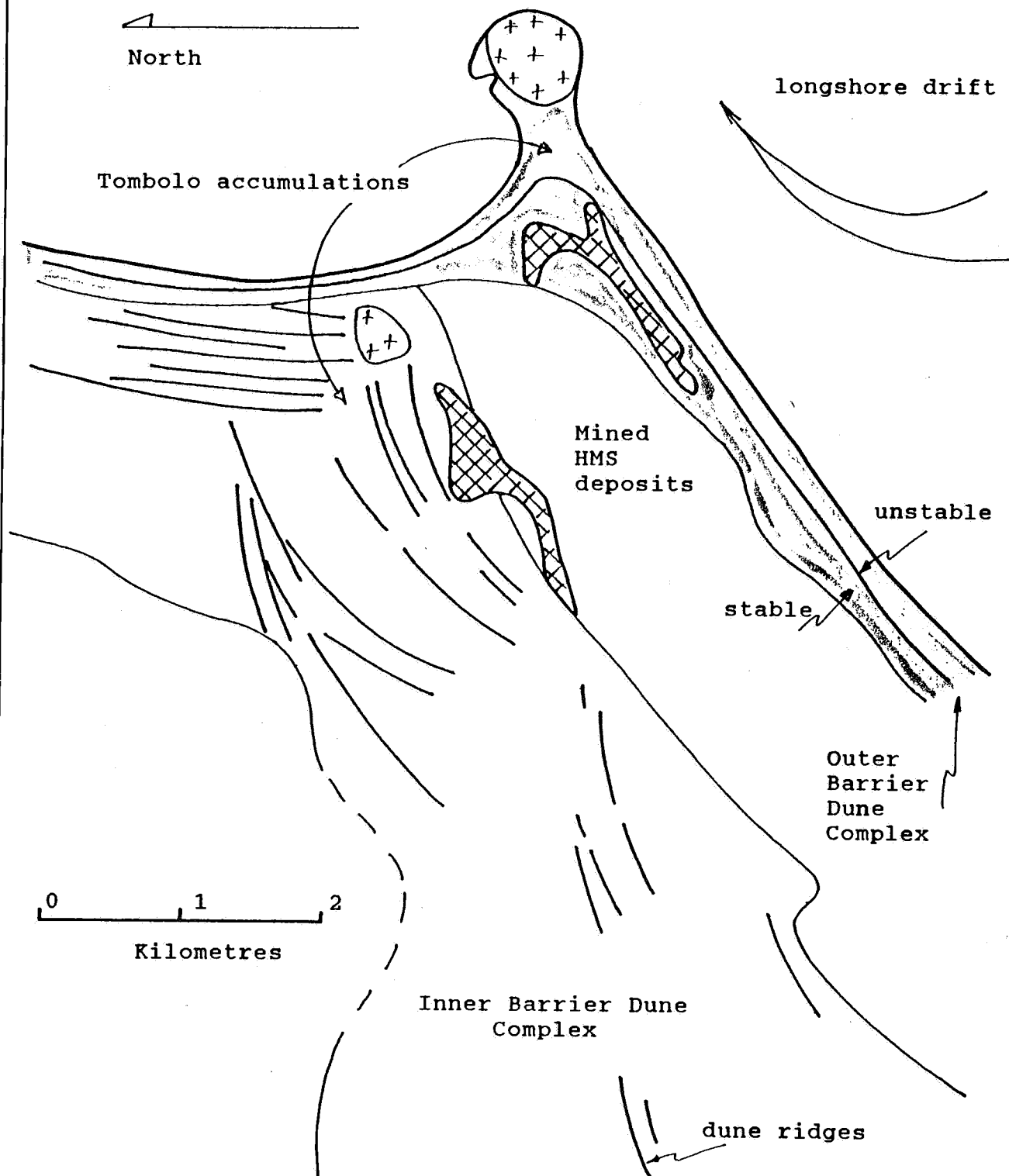


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EAST AUSTRALIAN COAST.

Heavy Mineral Sand Deposits in the  
Crowdy Bay - Diamond Head Area. NSW.



EAST AUSTRALIAN COAST.

Heavy Mineral Sand Deposits in the  
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Simplified Geology.



### 2.3 Depositional Models.

The components required to generate a significant concentration of heavy minerals are;

- # a supply of mobile sediments containing a measurable content of the significant heavy minerals (ilmenite, rutile, zircon, monazite etc) into an active, near shore, marine environment,
- # a marine environment with sufficient energy to periodically mobilise the sediment load,
- # a vectored current capable of generating a differential winnowing of the sediment.
- # Finally, the process must operate over a substantial area and for a protracted period.

On a detailed scale the most common setting for large deposits is within the swash zone of an open active beach profile where the accumulations are preserved by depositional progradation and frequently masked by aeolian dunes. Such strand line swash zones preferentially occur,

- # at "notch points" where a strand line is incised into either earlier sediments or lithic basement (e.g. Eneabba, Golden Grove),
- # along the most exposed portion of the strandline in the area of highest energy, commonly this is along the linear portion of a zeta shaped beach profile (e.g. Tyrrel Ridge, Diamond Head),
- # along the updrift face of tombolo accumulations between the coast and offshore islands or shoals (e.g. Crowdy Head, WIM 150),
- # against and behind irregularities in the beach profile (headland outcrops of lithic basement, river mouths etc) where complex current sets are generated (Eneabba, WIM 150).

The above points are discussed in the preceding text and summarised in the attached figures.

### 3 MURRAY BASIN SEDIMENTATION ABOUT THE PADTHAWAY RIDGE.

The following discussion is based on an assessment of that part of the Murray Basin covered by the Barker, Pinaroo and Naracoorte 1:250,000 geological map sheet areas. Various maps relating to the discussion are attached to the report. The area considered is bounded to the west by the Mount Lofty Ranges and runs parallel to the basement high of lithic to crystalline rocks of the Padthaway Ridge. Outcrops of basement rocks ("lithic basement") are exposed through younger cover about Murray Bridge and Lake Alexandrina, at Mount Boothby, and over a wide area at Padthaway. These areas of predominantly felsic igneous rock appear to have been either emergent islands or shallow-water shoals throughout Tertiary sedimentation.

Tertiary sedimentation in the area commenced in the Paleocene-Eocene with the deposition of lignitic sandstones, siltstones and claystones of the Buccleuch and Renmark Beds. They were succeeded in the Oligocene by calcareous clays and sandstones of the Compton Conglomerate Equivalents. These deposits form an irregular veneer over the lithic basement and effectively reduced the topographic relief.

The deposition of widespread Oligocene-Miocene bioclastic limestones (the Gambier, Pata, Morgan and Mannum Limestones and equivalents) occurred in an open marine environment. Banks of bioclastic debris accumulated in the lee of the basement shoals at the Murray Mouth and Mount Boothby, and along an inferred shoreline below the present position of the Marmon Jabuk Range. The morphology of the accumulations indicates that the primary wave direction was from the southwest.

Following the deposition of the bioclastic limestones and renewed transgression in the Pliocene, a sand sequence prograded over the area. In mapping and the literature both the Parilla and Loxton Sands are recognised as marginal marine assemblages of Pliocene age. The original differentiation between the units was geographic and the stratigraphic differentiation of the units, which is neither consistently applied nor supported by significant data, should be abandoned.

The Parilla Sands were deposited by depositional progradation and regression of the Pliocene sea from northeast to southwest, building a subparallel barrier complex which eventually attached to the basement shoals about the ancestral Murray River mouth near Murray Bridge. At this time, refraction of the primary wave fronts about the Meningie and Mount Boothby offshore shoals resulted in an effective longshore drift to the southeast. This drift component generated a characteristic zeta shoreline, accompanied by winnowing of the immature fluvial load and the construction of a tombolo of lighter sands in the lee of the Mount Boothby shoals. The size and distinctiveness of the Marmon Jabuk Range strandline suggests that it represents a major stillstand during the Pliocene regression, and thence has the time potential to have generated significant heavy mineral accumulations.

At the eastern end of the Marmon Jabuk Range, the relict Pliocene coastal ridges have been breached and overprinted by blowouts downwind of a Pleistocene blowout complex at the north end of the Mount Boothby area. Extension of the blowout fabric through the Quaternary has destroyed the characteristic parallel morphology of the Pliocene ridges over a large area.

Similarly, in the Padthaway area progradation and tombolo construction from the Marmon Jabuk shoreline finally attached the shoreline to the basement shoals, and zeta shoreline profiles evolved downdrift.

A long period of exposure followed the Pliocene regression with weathering, soil development and a laterite profile variably developed over the area.

In the Pleistocene a series of marine transgressions were accompanied by deposition of calcarenites and calcareous aeolianites of the Bridgewater Formation. The aeolianites are composed predominantly of calcareous debris of marine origin, with a subordinate to minor siliclastic component. The most landward (Early Pleistocene) of these coastal complexes contain the greatest proportion of siliclastics with a significant heavy mineral component. Successive ridges to seawards become increasingly calcareous. The Quaternary coastal complexes of the Bridgewater Formation have been well documented and, in common with the Pliocene structures, are depositional rather than erosional features making it improbable that the Marmon Jabuk Range is an erosional escarpment as previously proposed.

The Pleistocene deposits and the previously lateritised Pliocene sequences were subsequently extensively calcreted.

Continuation of essentially similar coastal processes into the Holocene has formed the calcareous coastal barrier and lagoon of the Younghusband Peninsula and Coorong. Aeolian reworking of the surficial Pleistocene and Pliocene sediments is extensive and overprints and obliterates many of the primary morphologies.

#### 4 EXPLORATION TARGETS.

The exploration parameters discussed previously have been used to assess the Pliocene depositional environments in that part of the Murray Basin covered by the Barker, Pinaroo and Naracoorte 1:250,000 map sheet areas. Reconnaissance sampling has confirmed that the immature, fluvially sourced sediments forming the Pliocene coastal complex of the Marmon Jabuk Range are part of a marginal marine assemblage, and that they contain a suite of the economically important heavy minerals. The Pliocene environmental reconstructions have been discussed previously and are shown on the attached maps.

A key consideration in assessing the potential of the strandlines identified is whether or not the available sediments could be winnowed to produce ore grade concentrations of heavy minerals. At Point Sturt, on the western shore of Lake Alexandrina, presently active sand bars and beaches contain heavy mineral concentrations of up to 46% garnet. These concentrations are forming by the erosion and subsequent longshore drift and winnowing of sands derived from an adjacent Pleistocene calcareous aeolinite body which contain much less than 0.5% garnet. The aeolinites are located immediately adjacent to the Mount Lofty Ranges and the garnets included into the dunes were derived from the metamorphics of the Kanmantoo Group.

The Point Sturt occurrence demonstrates conclusively that winnowing and/or longshore transport of immature sediments containing traces of heavy minerals can produce ore grade concentrations. Whether or not mineable tonnages develop will depend on the size of the concentrating environment, and the duration of the event.

#### 4.1 Marmon Jabuk Range. ELA /88.

The Marmon Jabuk Range has a well developed ridge and swale morphology which reflects a former dune and interdune structure of the underlying Pliocene Parilla Sands. The Pliocene sequence prograded from the northeast, building seaward over Eocene marine sediments, with fluvial sediments being supplied from an ancestral Murray River located at or west of Murray Bridge. The topography and outcrop patterns of the Range can be interpreted as reflecting a composite dune and interdune set to the northeast, with a slightly discordant major frontal dune to the southwest. The dunes have a pronounced arcuate hook at the northwestern end where they attach to the Murray Bridge basement shoals, straightening to linear southeast trends which can be traced for approximately 60 kilometres. This well developed distinctive zeta profile indicates a pronounced longshore drift to the southeast which is consistent with the inferred construction of a tombolo in the lee of the Mount Boothby shoals.

On the ground, the ridges of the Marmon Jabuk Range are capped by calcrete sheets which have obliterated the primary sediment fabric, while in the swales red clayey soils are developed on fine sands and clayey sands which are underlain at a depth of 2 to 3 metres by calcrete. Two exposures of the sands below the regolith were located - both are of aeolinites(?) developed high in the coastal complex and consist of red, fine to medium grained, unsorted, immature sands containing rare marine fossils and traces of heavy minerals. Pan concentrates contained rare mature quartz grains, marine fossils and traces of ilmenite, rutile, zircon.

Following the Late Pliocene regression and lateritic event a shallow marine environment was once again established in the Pleistocene up to the base of the Range. This environment would have been protected from the open sea by the aeolian dunes of the Bridgewater Formation which developed over the Mount Boothby shoals, and major erosion of the Pliocene sequence to form the present frontal escarpment is unlikely to have occurred.

The interpreted morphology and sediment transport processes of the Pliocene sediments of the Marmon Jabuk Range are analogous to those discussed earlier and the most probable concentration sites can be predicted. Heavy mineral concentrations are expected to be present within the swash zones located along the linear portion of the zeta beach profiles, within areas of complex current backwash behind the basement shoals, and along the connection between the beach and tombolo.

An application for an Exploration Licence has been lodged with the South Australian Department of Mines and Energy to cover the most obviously prospective portions of the Marmon Jabuk Range.

#### 4.2 Padthaway. ELA /88.

In the Padthaway area Pliocene Parilla Sands form characteristic sets of zeta profiled dunes and interdunes downdrift of a complex set of basement shoals. Tombolo construction towards the shoals from the Marmon Jabuk Range shoreline produced a flat sand plain which gave way to dune complexes once the shoreline attached to

the shoals. The interaction of the primary wave fronts, longshore drift, and numerous basement shoals, undoubtedly produced complex current flows with associated opportunities for differential winnowing of the sediment load within the shoal area.

The interpreted morphology and sediment transport processes of the Padthaway area are complex, with similarities to the settings of the Eneabba and WIM 150 deposits. Heavy mineral concentrations can be expected to be present within the swash zones located along the linear portion of the zeta beach profiles, along beaches between shoals, and within areas of current backwash between and behind the shoals.

An application for an Exploration Licence has been lodged with the South Australian Department of Mines and Energy to cover the most obviously prospective portions of the Padthaway area.

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## GEOLOGICAL DRILLING LOG

JLC EXPLORATION  
SERVICESPROJECT WOOD LOD HILL CLIENT OXFORD HSE ASSPAGE No 927A  
1LOCATION 2 km WNW of MUMDULLA RL = 80HOLE No WH1/89DATE COM. 4/5/89FINISH 4/5/89TOTAL DEPTH 20.5mLOGGED BY J.L. CURTIS DRILLED BY INTERTECHTITLE ELISS

DEPTH FROM	TO	GRAPHIC LOG	GEOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE No
0	2		Yellow brown silty clay with very fine sand, near base of black H-1, one calcite. Dith	WH1/2
2	4		Dith	1/4
4	6		Dith but with increased sand, above a ferric iron gravel (up to 5mm) and greyish clays with pit/limb. Fine white sands with up to 7% H-1, difficult to pan off. Black/Red W clear? H-1 grains. Dith, then greyish clays, pit & limonite staining as before.	1/6
6	8		Dith	1/8
8	10		Dith	1/10
10	12		Grey clay, above yellow brown fine & coarse "bi nodal sand" with trace H-1 < 1%, clayey. Clayey, yellow brown calcareous sand, very fine gravel near base. Dith but with small fragments of shell grit and string H-1 trace.	1/12
12	14		Dith	1/14
14	16		Dith	1/16
16	18		Calcarenite, very weak. H-1 trace. Bryozoan lenses, porous highly fossiliferous. Dith, pelecypods as well as bryozoans.	1/18
18	20		Dith	1/20
20	20.5		Dith	1/22
			RL LS = 62	
			RL CA = 64	
			ISO S = 4m ~ 10m (-2m clay)	
			RL TS = 74	

\* Composite Samples WH 1/6-10, 12-16, Min Sample, WH 1/6-10

## GEOLOGICAL DRILLING LOG

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SERVICESPROJECT WOORLOO HILL CLIENT OXFORD H&A ASS.

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LOCATION 7 km. W & W of MUMDULLAI RL=65.HOLE No WH2/89DATE COM. 4/5/89 FINISH. 4/5/89TOTAL DEPTH 14.5mLOGGED BY Z.L. CURTIS DRILLED BY INTERTECH.TITLE ELISS

DEPTH FROM	TO	GRAPHIC LOG	GEOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE No
0	2		off white clay, calcareous grains, and fine white clean sand	WH2/2c
2	4		Yellow brown clay, some white grains, and (Trace of grey clay)	2/4c
4	6		Yellow brown fine sand, Trace Hm BLH	2/6F
6	8		Grey clay, the fine white sand with strong Hm trace	2/8F
8	10		Grey limonitic yellow clays, minor sand, with Hm trace	2/10F
10	12		Yellow brown, limonitic stained massive chert & limestone and clays, minor sand: calcareous	2/12c
12	14		RTH, then coarse grained porous brown limestone.	2/14c
14	16		Bed as above. BDA 14.5m.	
			RL LS = 52	
			RL CA = 55	
			RL S = 4m - (5m)?	
			RL TS = 59	

\* Composite &amp; Mineralogical Sample WH 2/6-10

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LOCATION W 1/4 WSW OF MUNDULLA RL = 63

HOLE No WH3/89

DATE COM. 4/5/89

FINISH 4/5/89

TOTAL DEPTH 20.5m

LOGGED BY J.L. CURTIS DRILLED BY INTERTECH

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DEPTH FROM	TO	GRAPHIC LOG	GEOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE No
0	2		Yellow brown clay and fine sand, some clasts of ferruginite Min black fg H <sub>2</sub> O	WH3/2 c
2	4		Grey clay with pink and yellow brown bands, trace H <sub>2</sub> O, Blue Red	3/4 c
4	6		Yellow brown clay and fine yellow brown sand Trace of Black H <sub>2</sub> O, some yellow brown ferruginite, massive	3/6 F
6	8		Grey clay, massive bands of thin white limestone, fine white sand with up to 1%? H <sub>2</sub> O. Blue Red	3/8 F
8	10		White fine grained sand and above, very little clay or less, H <sub>2</sub> O as above, suspended white grains as well	3/10 F
10	12		Red, thin grey clays	3/12 F
12	14		Yellow brown, calcarenite or glt, no H <sub>2</sub> O	3/14 F
14	16		Red, faint trace of H <sub>2</sub> O, completely cemented	3/16 c
16	18		Red, but off white in color, completely cemented	3/18 c
18	20		Little gaty sand, trace H <sub>2</sub> O to 1%?	3/20 c
20	20.5		Red, thin graduated to off white - buff, med-coarse grained, porous irregular dist.	
			EDH 20.5	
			RL LS = 43	
			RL CA = 51	
			ISO S. = 6m	
			RL TS = 57	

\* Composite Sample WH3/8-12



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HOLE. No W144/89

TOTAL DEPTH 17.50m

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## GEOLOGICAL DRILLING LOG

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LOCATION 24 km WSW of MUMDULLA RL = 69HOLE No WH6/89DATE COM. 5/5/89FINISH 5/5/89TOTAL DEPTH 29.5mLOGGED BY J.L. CURTIS DRILLED BY INTERTECHTITLE EL 1555

DEPTH FROM	TO	GRAPHIC LOG	GEOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE No
0	2		Chocolate brown veneer over yellow brown clays with trace of sand, very very minor thin trace 89/80	WH 6/2 c
2	4		Medium grey clays with some laminar staining and minor fine sand, no Hm. 89/80	6/4 c
4	6		Reddish but with minor dolomite grains and nodules, no sand. 89/80	6/6 c
6	8		Stiff grey clay with laminar stains, no sand. 89/80	6/8 c
8	10		Reddish but with pink and yellow Fe-ox stains. 89/80	6/10 c
10	12		Blue - blackish green clays with yellow, orange pink Fe-ox staining - (cliff), similar to above 89/80	6/12 F
12	14	Hm	White fine grained sand, strong trace of Elbe Red Hm. fine Hm, lower parting 89/80	6/14 F
14	16	Hm	White fine grained sand as above with layered fine grey clays as above, clayey high Hm $\geq 1\%$ R+Elb. 95/80	6/16 F
16	18	Hm	Reddish 95/80	6/18 F
18	20	Hm	Reddish, yellow brown laminar stain some arenaceous - Hm $\geq 6\%$ as above 95/80	6/20 F
20	22	Hm	Massive yellow brown & grey variegated clays with (minor sand, sand, white/yellow br, fine gr, about Hm $> 1\%$ ) 89/80	6/22 F
22	24	CA	Reddish, with yellow brown clayey fine sand and trace, Hm, very weak. 89/80	6/24 F
24	26	CA	fine sand as above, then yellow brown sandy calc arenite. 89/80	6/26 c
26	28	CA	Calc arenite - 100% horizontal fragments, re- worked basal lat., trace Hm. 89/80	6/28 c
28	29.5	CA	Calc arenite with shell fragments, 90% sand massive, complete. strong trace Hm. 89/80	6/30 c
			RL LS = 39	
			RL CA = 45	
			ISO S = 8m	
			RL TS = 59	

\* Composite Sample WH6/14-20

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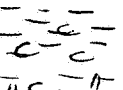
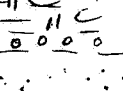
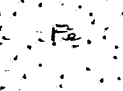
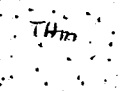
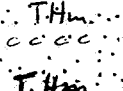
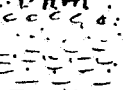

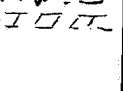

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LOCATION 10NM. WNW of MUMABULLA RL = 68HOLE. No WH8/89DATE COM. 5/5/89FINISH. 5/5/89TOTAL DEPTH 17.50mLOGGED BY J.L. Curtis DRILLED BY INTERTECHTITLE EL 1555

DEPTH FROM	TO	GRAPHIC LOG	GEOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE No
0	2		chocolated brown sandy loam, then clay, above buff clay and calcareous, regressive Hm in fine sand. 70/70	WH8/2 C
2	4		Yellow brown clay with silty, minor fine yellow brown sand, calcareous lumps and fine pebbles. 70/70	8/4 F
4	6		Red / yellow brown clayey, sand, cemented weakly by iron oxides, faint trace Hm-S., minor carbonate. 70/70	8/6 F
6	8		Yellow brown clayey sand, fine g with v. very weak Hm trace - minor carbonate grades. 70/70	8/8 F
8	10		Delta	8/10 F
10	12		Yellow brown, fine sand with a trace of Hm. A thin band of white massive carbonate cemented sand. 70/70	8/12 F
12	14		Delta, bands of cementation as above, trace Hm v. weak above clay, yellow brown, silty. 70/70	8/14 F
14	16		Yellow brown / grey silty clay with minor fine yellow sand, faint trace Hm, few fossil chips. 70/70	8/16 C
16	18		Delta, then calcarenite, massive cemented beds. 70/70	8/18 C
			EOH 17.50	
			RL LS = 44	
			RL CA = 45	
			ISO S = 7m?	
			RL TS = 57.	

\* Composite Sample WH8/6-12



## GEOLOGICAL DRILLING LOG

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LOCATION 21 km SW of MUNDULLA RL 265HOLE. No WH10/89DATE COM. 6/5/89FINISH. 6/5/89TOTAL DEPTH 32.5mLOGGED BY J.L. CURTIS DRILLED BY INTERTECHTITLE EL 1555.

DEPTH FROM	TO	GRAPHIC LOG	GEOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE No
0	2		Dark brown to a light, banded clays, very minor sand 80/80 with faint thin trace (could be secondary veinoff)	WH10/2c
2	4		Yellow brown, laminar clays, transitional to grey clays. 80/80	10/4c
4	6		Grey clay with laminar slates 80/80	10/6c
6	8		Bedded but with some fine slates as well. 80/80	10/8F
8	10		Yellow brown, clayey, calcareous / quartz, fine sand, trace Hm 80/80	10/10F
10	12	CA?	Bedded, but with some patches of cementation, trace Hm as above. 80/80	10/12F
12	14	Hm	Bedded but with strong Hm, Red, and white? 80/80	10/14F
14	16		Bedded but transitional to well cemented quartz / calc arenite sand, fine grained, strong thin trace, yellow brown 80/80	10/16F
16	18		Yellow brown to buff calc arenite, quartz cement decreasing Hm trace. 80/80	10/18c
18	20	Hm	Bedded but with gastropod casts; strong thin trace 80/80	10/20c
20	22	ca co	Bedded, much less well cemented in bands only, higher quartz content, weaker thin trace, micaceous. 80/80	10/22c
22	24	CA	Bedded as above 80/80	10/24c
24	26		Bedded, becoming coarser grained in intervals, some gastropod shells. no Hm at all! 80/80	10/26c
26	28		Bedded, but, pelecypoda, dominant fossil, low quartz, no Hm trace (still grit?) 80/80	10/28c
28	30	CA	Bedded, much finer grained, muschelite flakes coarse (disseminated). 80/80	10/30c
30	32	CA	Bedded, then massive indurated fine grained limestone - coarse carbuncle not above buff bryozoan lat. 80/80	10/32c
32	32.5		Buff bryozoan lat with laminar slates. L trace 80/80	10/34c
			RL 15 = 33	
			RL CA = 50	
			150 S = 7	
			RL S = 57	

\* Composite Sample WH10/10-14.

## GEOLOGICAL DRILLING LOG

JLC EXPLORATION  
SERVICESPROJECT WOORLOO HILL CLIENT OXFORD HSE ASS.PAGE No 1/1LOCATION 12 Km S OF MUMDULLA ROAD 65HOLE No WH11/89DATE COM. 7/5/89FINISH. 7/5/89TOTAL DEPTH 33mLOGGED BY J.L. CURTIS DRILLED BY INTERTECHTITLE ELISS

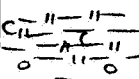
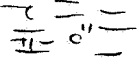
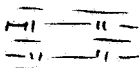
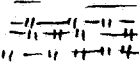
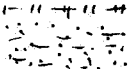
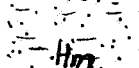
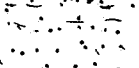
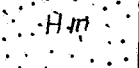
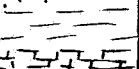
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2	4		Reddish with nodular calc. w/ trace Hm.	11/4c
4	6		Yellow brown calc arenite, w/ quartz, trace Hm as above with fine sand component, nodules calc.	11/6c
6	8		Redd, weaker than trace, weakly cemented	11/8c
8	10		Redd, about 85% calc/15% Qtz.	11/10c
10	12		Redd, very weakly cemented / free running?	11/12c
12	14		Redd	11/14c
14	16		Redd, finely layered.	11/16c
16	18		Redd becoming more indurated with depth. trace Hm persists.	11/18c
18	20		Redd as above, a few coarse quartz grains, becoming micaceous	11/20c
20	22		Redd but becoming much finer grained, higher quartz content	11/22c
22	24		Redd, as above.	11/24c
24	26		Redd, as above	11/26c
26	28		Redd, slightly higher Hm trace.	11/28c
28	30		Redd.	11/30c
30	32		Redd, but transition to buff limestone with brown sands, lat - mostly calc arenite	11/32c
32	33		limestone as above	11/34c
			RL LS = 34	
			RL CA = 61	
			180 S = 0?	
			RL TS = 61 = 5 above.	

\* Composite Sample - None



## GEOLOGICAL DRILLING LOG

JLC EXPLORATION  
SERVICESPROJECT WOOLAWO HILL CLIENT OXFORD HSE ASS.PAGE No 1/1LOCATION 7 Km. S. of MUMDULLA RL=80HOLE No WH12/89DATE COM. 7/5/89FINISH. 7/5/89TOTAL DEPTH 16.5mLOGGED BY J.L. CURTIS DRILLED BY INTERTECH.TITLE EL 1555

DEPTH FROM	TO	GRAPHIC LOG	GEOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE No
0	2		Yellow brown, silty to slightly sandy clay with ferruginous lumps and iron calcareous, weak thin trace.	WH12/2
2	4		Reddish, becoming orange brown - grey clay - laminated and pink Fe2O3 staining, trace Hm.	12/4
4	6		Reddish, stiff clays.	12/6
6	8		Reddish, but dominantly silt with clay and some fine sand, trace Hm as before (off-white - yellow).	12/8
8	10		Reddish fine to ultrafine sand with clay, strong Hm trace, very fine grained, hard to pan off.	12/10
10	12		Reddish but with up to 5% Hm trace.	12/12
12	14		Reddish, whitish sand, perhaps up to 1% Hm, very fine.	12/14
14	16		Reddish, then yellow/grey silty clays, weaker Hm trace.	12/16
16	18		Beyond last log depth 16.5m.	
			RL LS = 62	
			RL CA = 65 (CA absent $\approx$ LS)	
			RL 100 = 7m.	
			RL TS = 72m.	

\* Composite Sample WH12/10-14

## GEOLOGICAL DRILLING LOG

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SERVICESPROJECT WOODROO HILL CLIENT OXFORD HSE OSCPAGE No 1/1LOCATION 21 Km S of MUMDULLA. RL  $\approx$  80mHOLE. No WH13/89DATE COM. 8/5/89FINISH. 8/5/89TOTAL DEPTH 32.5m.LOGGED BY J.L. CURTIS DRILLED BY INTER TECHTITLE ELISS

DEPTH FROM	TO	GRAPHIC LOG	GEOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE No
0	2	no Hm.	light grey sand never above yellow brown sand, min clay, about 5% fossil chips, subab. Hm trace 40/40	WH13/2c
2	4	Hm.	Yellow brown sand, fine gravel, few coarse grains, subab. Hm trace, few lumps of clay. 40/40	13/4c
4	6	* Hm *	Yellow brown medium sand with, subab. black Hm, very fine, "dust" size / clayey 40/40	13/6c
6	8	Hm.	Yellow brown sand, but with much less and much coarser Hm (well v. fine g), clayey. 40/40	13/8c
8	10	Hm.	Yellow brown/grey variegated with clayey sand. similar to above / semi-dry orange. 40/40	13/10c
10	12	Hm.	Redd but Hm. all higher, to in Pan. 40/40	13/12c
12	14	Hm.	Redd 40/40	13/14c
14	16	Hm.	yellow brown fine sand with 5% of calc. aridite clayey. Hm as above, micaceous 40/40	13/16c
16	18		Redd. 40/40	13/18c
18	20	T. Hm	Redd, no calc. aridite / aridite compact Hm as above. 40/40	13/20c
20	22		Redd, no calc. aridite as before, less? Hm. 40/40	13/22c
22	24	T. Hm CA	Redd, weakly cemented, Transfine Hm as above, calc. aridite compact variable 40/40	13/24c
24	26	CA T. Hm	Redd as above. 40/40	13/26c
26	28	CA	Redd, more variable 40/40	13/28c
28	30		Redd, 40/40	13/30c
30	32		Redd ) thin bryozoan lenses 40/40	13/32c
32	32.5		Bryozoan hat. EOH 32.5m 13/34c	
			* Fig. Hm, 4-6m is mostly Fe ox which acts for brown large to it - suspect similar, in lower part of hole as well.	
			RL LS = 50m.	
			RL CA = 64? or 58m.	
			ISO S = 12m.	
			RL TS = 78m.	



HOLE. No WH15/89

TOTAL DEPTH 20.5m

TITLE ELISSA

DEPTH FROM TO		GRAPHIC LOG	GEOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE No
0	2		White, fine grained clayey sand, Trace H <sub>2</sub> O	WH15/2F
2	4		Delta, shaly H <sub>2</sub> O	15/4F
4	6		Delta as above	15/6F
6	8		Delta	15/8F
8	10		Delta	15/10F
10	12		Delta	15/12F
12	14		Yellowish-off white clay and fine sand as above	15/14F
14	16		Yellow brown sandy scale breccia with chips of FeOx	15/16C
16	18		Delta but with quartz up to granule size, much less FeOx H <sub>2</sub> O, partially cemented	15/18C
18	20		Delta but with well rounded pebbles of siliceous limestone? containing fossils (up to 2cm in diam. TH <sub>2</sub> O)	15/20C
20	22		Conglomerate as above down to 20.5m then tab, brecciated just in sample at 20.5m.	15/22C
			RL 64 = 51.07	
			CA = 57	
			ISO S = 13	
			TS = 72.07	

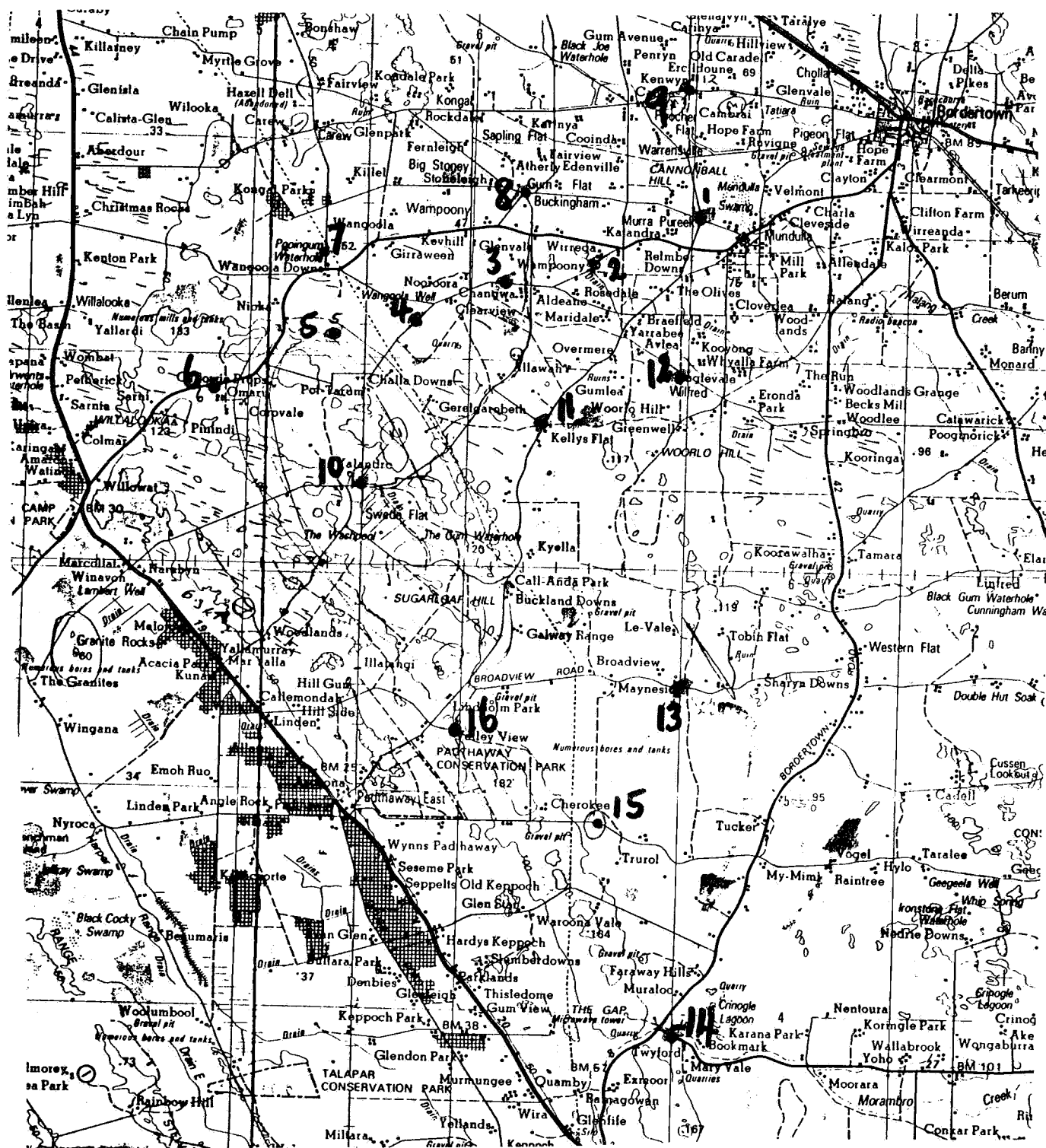
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LOCATION 21 Km SW of MUMBULLA RL = 80mHOLE. NO WH 16/89DATE COM. 8/5/89FINISH. 8/5/89TOTAL DEPTH 31.0mLOGGED BY J.L. CURTU DRILLED BY INTERTECHTITLE EL 1555

DEPTH FROM	TO	GRAPHIC LOG	GEOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE No
0	2	THm	light grey veneer of sand above red-orange calcareous sand, minor thin trace	WH 16/2 c
2	4	THm	Ditto	16/4 c
4	6	THm	medium to coarse grained, yellow brown clayey sand with trace Hm.	16/6 c
6	8	THm	Red brown clayey sand and sandy clay with calcarenite layers. trace Hm	16/8 c
8	10	CA	yellow brown, sandy calc arenite, well cemented	16/10 c
10	12	THm	Ditto	16/12 c
12	14	CA	Ditto	16/14 c
14	16	THm	Ditto	16/16 c
16	18	CA	Ditto	16/18 c
18	20	THm	Ditto, fossil root casts., Hm	16/20 c
20	22	THm	Off white/yellow coarse grained quartz sand, minor calcareous grains, uncemented trace Hm	16/22 c
22	24	THm	Ditto, but with fossil (roots?), very weakly cemented	16/24 c
24	26	THm	Ditto as above	16/26 c
26	28	THm	Ditto	16/28 c
28	30	CA	Ditto, hard, cemented calcarenite	16/30 c
30	32	THm	Ditto abandoned D.F. 21 m.	16/31 c
			RL LS < 49 m.	
			CA = 73	
			LS = 0?	
			TS = 74?	



5 July 1989

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ATT: MR J L CURTIS

REPORT G 8092/89 - PART I

YOUR REFERENCE:	Letter dated June 1989
IDENTIFICATION:	MTR and WH series
MATERIAL:	21 slurry samples
DATE RECEIVED:	8 June 1989
WORK REQUIRED:	Determination of heavy mineral content.

Investigation and Report by: Michael Till

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## HEAVY MINERAL CONTENT OF 21 SAMPLES

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Twenty one samples were received from Mr. J.L. Curtis of Oxford House Associates Pty. Ltd. with a request for determination of heavy mineral content.

### 2. PROCEDURE

The procedure is as follows :

- a) Dry and crush and riffle ~125g.
- b) Prepare a slurry of the ~125 g and stir mechanically.
- c) Wet sieve at 1 mm and 38  $\mu\text{m}$  with a lower 38  $\mu\text{m}$  check sieve to ensure full retention of +38  $\mu\text{m}$  material.
- d) Weigh +1 mm and -1 mm+38  $\mu\text{m}$  fractions.
- e) Separate the -1 mm+38  $\mu\text{m}$  fraction centrifugally in tetrabromoethane (TBE, 2.96 sp. gr.).
- f) Remove <2.96 sp. gr. lights and discard.
- g) Top up tube with TBE and recentrifuge in order to remove any lights in the >2.96 sp. gr. heavies.
- h) Remove second <2.96 sp. gr. lights and discard.
- i) Wash, dry and weigh the >2.96 sp. gr. product.

### 3. RESULTS

The results are given in Table 1 which gives the -1 mm+38  $\mu\text{m}$  >2.96 sp. gr. product as a percentage of the -1 mm+38  $\mu\text{m}$  fraction and of the total sample.



Table 1 : SIZE AND SPECIFIC GRAVITY DISTRIBUTION  
OF SAND SAMPLES

Sample no	SIZE DISTRIBUTION			-1mm+38um >2.96 sp.gr as a % of	
	+1mm wt%	-1mm+38um wt%	-38um wt%	-1mm+38um size fr.	total sample
MJR 8/28-34	6.6	90.8	2.6	0.82	0.74
MJR 9/18-26	27.9	62.8	9.3	0.19	0.12
MJR 10/8-16	1.1	91.4	7.5	0.25	0.22
MJR 10/18-24	1.1	94.3	4.5	0.40	0.37
MJR 11/10-14	12.0	85.7	2.4	0.51	0.44
WH 1/6-10	0.0	74.8	25.2	0.33	0.25
WH 1/12-16	2.9	80.6	16.5	0.15	0.12
WH 2/6-10	9.4	58.0	32.6	1.91	1.11
WH 3/8-12	11.3	68.1	20.6	0.22	0.15
WH 4/8-10	7.6	72.0	20.4	0.22	0.16
WH 5/10 (8-10)	0.7	83.8	15.5	0.16	0.14
WH 5/12	0.1	81.1	18.9	0.28	0.22
WH 5/14	0.1	81.2	18.7	0.26	0.21
WH 5/16	0.1	81.6	18.3	0.23	0.18
WH 5/18	0.1	78.8	21.2	0.20	0.16
WH 6/14-20	0.1	67.5	32.4	0.24	0.16
WH 7/6-8	16.7	55.8	27.6	0.37	0.21
WH 8/6-12	14.3	71.6	14.0	0.22	0.16
WH 9/6-10	16.6	58.4	25.0	0.19	0.11
WH 10/10-14	14.0	73.6	12.4	0.14	0.10
WH 12/10-14	0.6	85.4	13.9	0.27	0.23

18 August 1989

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ATT: MR J L CURTIS

**REPORT G 8180/90**

YOUR REFERENCE:	Letter dated 8/8/89
IDENTIFICATION:	MJR8, WH1, WH2, WH5
MATERIAL:	Mineral concentrates
DATE RECEIVED:	10 August 1989
WORK REQUIRED:	Determination of mineralogy.

Investigation and Report by: Michael Till and Michael J W Larrett

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## MINERALOGY OF FOUR MINERAL CONCENTRATES

### 1. INTRODUCTION

A request was received from Mr. L. Curtis of Oxford House Associates Pty. Ltd. for determination of mineralogy of samples previously reported in Amdel report G 8092/89.

### 2. PROCEDURE

The -1 mm+38  $\mu$ m >2.96 sp. gr. products were examined in a loose grain oil mount and in polished section (PS48723, 4) and the mineral contents estimated visually.

### 3. RESULTS

The results are given in Table 1.

TABLE 1: MINERALOGY (EST. VOL. %) OF &gt;2.96 SP. GR. PRODUCT OF FOUR SAMPLES

	MJR8 28-34	WH1 6-10	WH2 6-10	WH5 10-18
Altered ilmenite	17	15	3	Tr
Leucoxene	4	19	Tr	48
Zircon	5	15	3	8
Rutile	4	1	<1	2
Monazite	Tr	-	-	-
Anatase/brookite	1	1	-	<1
Porous iron oxide	10	20	83	1
Tourmaline	5	20	5	25
Andalusite	Tr	4	-	3
Sillimanite	2	3	-	3
Kyanite	Tr	-	<1	-
Garnet	47	-	Tr	1
Epidote	Tr	-	-	-
Barite	-	<1	<1	<1
Staurolite	5	-	<1	<1
Quartz (Fe-stained)	Tr	-	4	5
Pyrite	Tr	-	-	-
Others	-	1	1	1

N.B. Results are  $\pm 30$ -50% relative.