APPENDIX 2

CONTAMINATED SOILS REMEDIATION

2003 CLOSE OUT REPORTS

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Dear Mr. Donald:

Re: 23305 - Contaminated Soil Remediation 2003 Close Out Reports
Polaris Mine, Nunavut

We are pleased to submit close out reports on the areas of contaminated soil remediated during 2003 at the Polaris Mine site. The remediation of ten (10) areas has been completed to the meet the Polaris Mine remedial targets, as documented in the approved Polaris Mine Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan, March 2001. Each area remediated during 2003, as shown on Figure 1: *Contaminated Soils Remediation Progress Plan, December 31, 2003,* is presented as a separate appendix to this letter. These close out reports serve to document the remedial activities that were undertaken and the sample results that verify completion of activities. The areas, as shown on Figure 1, are based on the Areas of Potential Environmental Concern identified in the 2000 Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan.

We trust that this is satisfactory and that you will find the information presented in this report to be complete and thorough. In our consideration, this work completes the needs for environmental remediation of the areas presented.

Yours very truly,
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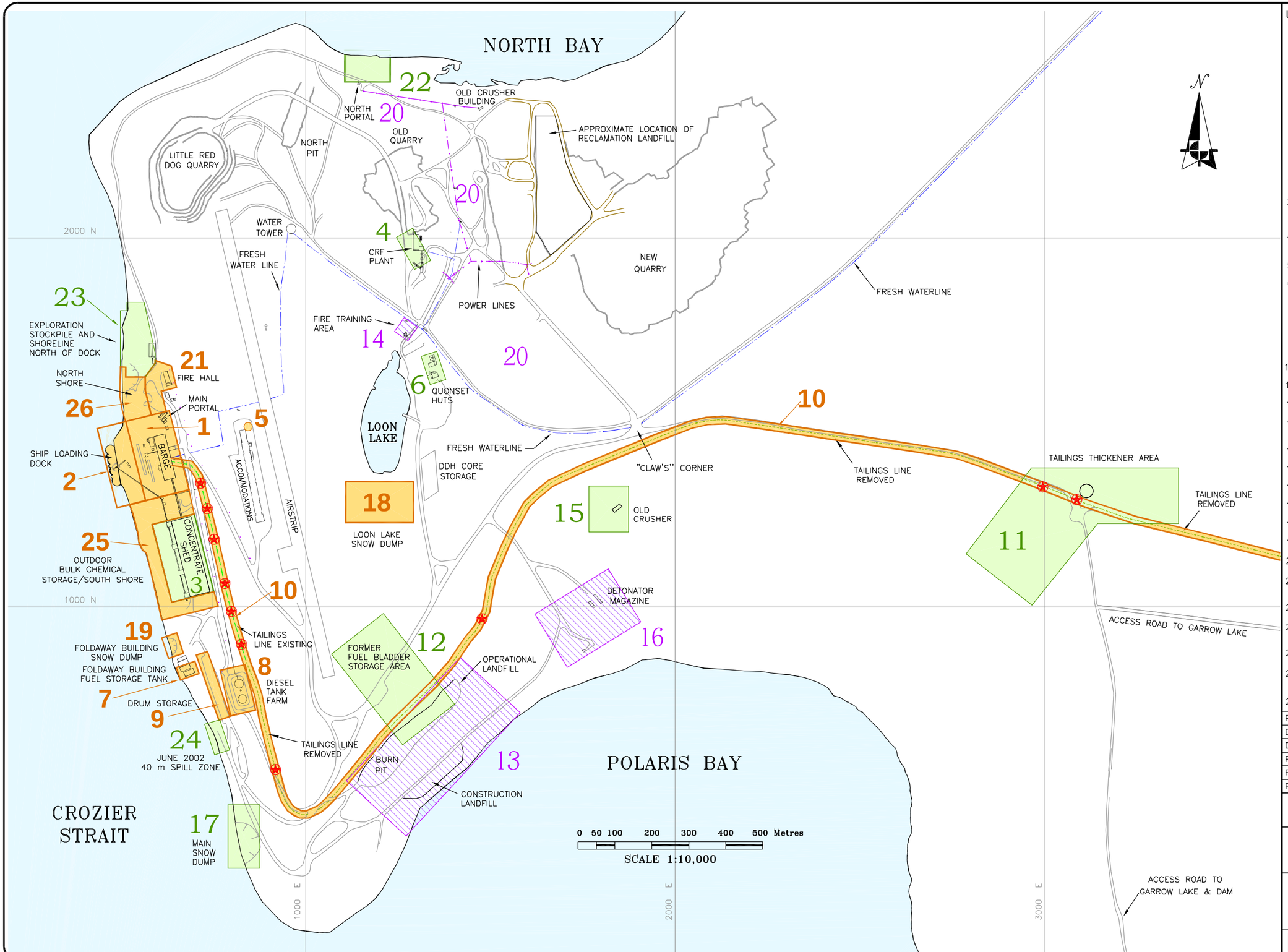

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CONTAMINATED SOILS REMEDIATION PROGRESS PLAN, DECEMBER 31, 2003

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Polaris Mine Operations Contaminated Soil Remediation Close Out Report: Concentrate Storage Shed Area

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Close Out Report: Concentrate Storage Shed Area

SUMMARY

The Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan (March 2001) for the Polaris Mine calls for the removal of soils with concentrations of lead and zinc above the site-specific, risk based, Soil Quality Remediation Objectives (SQROs) and for the subsequent disposal of this material into the underground mine workings. This report describes and discusses the results of remediation work conducted during 2003 related to the Concentrate Storage Shed Area shown as Area 3 on Figure 1: *Contaminated Soils Remedial Progress Plan*. Remedial work to date has demonstrated that it is not possible to recover enough of the residual lead and zinc concentrate dust from a portion of the former concentrate storage shed floor to achieve the SQROs and that an alternate remedial strategy is required for this area.

The soil remediation of the area west of the former concentrate storage shed, the western portion of the floor, and the east wall of the former shed, has been completed to meet the Polaris Mine remedial targets. This conclusion is based on confirmatory sampling, consistent with the approved site specific sampling procedures and protocols. However, where limestone bedrock was encountered along the eastern portion of the floor of the former shed, significant lead and zinc concentration dust was detected within the bedrock fractures. It was not proven practical to effectively remove the concentrate dust contained within these fractures with the equipment available. The Decommissioning and Reclamation Program being implemented at the Polaris Mine was developed to limit the exposure of lead and zinc to human and other ecological receptors. The plan included soil remediation. It did not include the excavation of bedrock.

In consultation with Teck Cominco Limited (TCL), a soil cover was used to for the mitigation of the residual concentrate dust within the bedrock fractures. The area of bedrock with residual

concentrate dust has been isolated from the environment as a measure of due diligence, under a durable cover of well-graded sand and gravel material. The cover has been placed to manage against the potential contact of residual concentrate dust by human or ecological receptors. The use of a cover is consistent with the intent of the human health and ecological risk assessment closure objectives.

Soil remediation is ongoing at the Polaris Mine site. Areas adjacent to the former concentrate storage shed are to be remediated in 2004. The final contouring of the area will be undertaken following the remediation of the adjacent areas.

BACKGROUND

The former concentrate storage shed area, shown as Area 3 on Figure 1: *Contaminated Soils Remediation Progress Plan, December 31, 2003*, is located south of the process barge and shiploading dock. The metal-clad, steel frame shed was used to store lead and zinc concentrates produced in the mill through the winter for shipment to market in the short summer shipping season. The concentrate storage shed was subdivided to provide storage capacity for 40,000 tonnes lead concentrate at the north end and 175,000 tonnes zinc concentrate at the south end. The concentrate load-out conveyors were located along the west wall of the concentrate storage shed and fed the shiploader at the loading dock. The building was demolished in August 2003.

The Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) conducted in 1999 and 2000 documented the presence of metal contaminated soil around the load-out conveyors and surrounding areas, as shown on Figure CSHED-03-1. An investigation of conditions across the floor of the concentrate storage shed was not practical when the mine was operating. However, it was concluded that the soils on the floor would be contaminated and would require remediation. The depth to bedrock underlying the floor was not known and represented a significant uncertainty at the onset of 2003 field remediation program.

Total lead and zinc concentrations greater than the SQROs were identified in test pits excavated outside of the concentrate storage shed at depths of up to 1.0 m during the ESA. The deepest soil contamination was encountered downgradient of the north doors of the concentrate storage shed.

Leachate testing (Table 6, Volume 4, ESA) of soil samples yielded low levels of leachable lead and zinc (up to 0.13 mg/L lead and 1.68 mg/L zinc) when compared to the BC Special Waste

Regulation[1] Leachate Quality Standards for lead (5 mg/L) and zinc (500 mg/L). These samples were collected adjacent to the concentrate storage shed. The results indicated that the potential metal leachate is low.

The original topography of the area is shown on Figure CSHED-03-1. Prior to demolition, the cut slope along the east wall outside the concentrate storage shed was backfilled with locally available soils to allow access for equipment. The soil used as backfill contained elevated lead and zinc concentrations and would require remediation.

METHODOLOGY

Delineation

A 25 m x 25 m grid was established to direct the field screening sample of soil inside the former concentrate storage shed and to the west towards the former outdoor bulk chemical storage area and the shoreline.

Commencing August 21, 2003, Gartner Lee Limited (GLL) sampled near-surface soil to depths of up to 5 cm across the floor of the former shed in accordance with standard GLL and Teck Cominco Limited (TCL) procedures and protocols. Samples were collected and analysed on-site using a Niton portable X-Ray fluorescence (XRF) elemental analyser. The results showed that residual lead and zinc concentrate was present across the surface.

On August 23 and 24, 2003, additional samples were collected from test pits excavated inside the former shed and outside the former west wall of the concentrate storage shed, to determine the depth of metal contamination. The results of this field screening investigation indicated that the depth of contamination was less than 0.5 m.

On September 15 and 16, 2003, discrete surface soil samples were collected at 25 m intervals along the near-vertical slope of the east wall of the excavation area, at depths of up to 5 cm. The field screening results indicated that the soil remaining outside of the former concentrate storage shed wall had lead and zinc concentrations greater than SQROs.

[1] British Columbia Waste Management Act, *Special Waste Regulation* (SWR), BC Reg. 63/88, O.C. 268/88, Schedule 1.2, 1995 06 09, amended 2002.

Excavation

Soil

Initially, soils were excavated and removed to a depth of 0.3 m inside the former shed and to the west of the former shed on the basis of the 2003 test pit results and the results of the ESA.

The excavated floor of the concentrate storage shed was sampled on August 27 and 29, 2003. The field screening results identified concentrations of lead and zinc above the SQROs. Successive lifts, approximately 0.3 m thick, of metal contaminated soil were then excavated until either the field screening results indicated that the SQROs for lead and zinc had been achieved or bedrock was encountered. Excavation resulted in the removal of approximately 1.0 m of contaminated soils.

The excavation in the area west of the former shed was sampled on September 1 and 2, 2003. The field screening results of samples collected in the vicinity of the former load-out conveyor and to the west of the north end of the former shed, indicated elevated lead and zinc concentrations above the SQROs. These areas were further excavated and sample field screened in 0.3 m thick lifts to a maximum depth of 0.9 m. Excavation of the area continued until field screening of discrete samples achieved results of lead and zinc concentrations below the SQROs. The contaminated soils present in this area were considered remediated and confirmation samples collected.

Based on the field screening samples gathered on September 15 and 16, 2003 from the east slope of the excavation limits, an additional 2 m to 3 m thick layer of soil was removed from the slope. All soil excavated was disposed of in the underground mine workings in accordance with regulatory approvals.

Rock

Fractured limestone bedrock was encountered along the east portion of the former footprint of the concentrate storage shed following the removal of 0.4 m to 1.0 m of contaminated soil. A variety of equipment and innovative approaches were used to scrape or scour the bedrock surface and recover the remaining fine-grained lead and zinc concentrate. The remaining soil cover above the bedrock is extremely thin or non-existent and consists of sand and silt within coarse unmineralized limestone fragments. The best efforts did not result in the complete removal of the concentrate dust from within the fractured bedrock surface. The excavated bedrock and residual concentrate was disposed of in the underground mine workings.

Confirmatory Sampling

Confirmatory samples of soil and rock were collected at the excavation limits. The samples were collected and prepared in accordance with standard GLL and TCL procedures and protocols and

submitted to the analytical laboratory, Aurora Laboratory Services Ltd. (ALS) of Vancouver, BC, to verify that the soil remediation objectives are met.

Floor Samples

Composite samples were collected from each 25 m x 25 m area over the base of the excavation. Randomly selected discrete samples were also collected to provide an indication of the variability present in the soil of the composite samples. Additional excavation was undertaken in areas of the floor that did not meet the SQROs, and where bedrock had not been encountered.

Wall Samples

On September 29, 2003, discrete samples were collected from the 4 m to 5 m high east slope with the aid of an excavator. The excavator positioned on top of the slope scrapped its bucket (approximately 1.2 m wide) along the near-vertical surface of the slope every 5 m to 10 m. Wall samples were collected directly from the bucket of the excavator and any residual material left in the bucket between scrapings was either dumped or swept out of the bucket.

SNC Lavalin surveyed the surface elevation of the final excavation limits, prior to the area being backfilled.

ANALYTICAL RESULTS

The analytical laboratory results are summarized on Table CSHED-03-1 and Table CSHED-03-2. A total of sixty (60) confirmatory samples of soil and rock were submitted from the former concentrate shed storage area: forty (40) floor composites; eight (8) floor discretes; nine (9) wall composites; two (2) wall discretes; and one (1) duplicate. The soil quality results and the lateral limits of the excavation are shown on Figure CSHED-03-2.

The analytical results of all samples from the area west of the concentrate shed and the eastern slope of the excavation limits had concentrations of lead and zinc below the SQROs. Of the twenty-nine (29) samples (twenty-three [23] composite, six [6] discrete) collected from the floor of the former concentrate shed, sixteen (16) samples, generally from the west side of the former building, met the SQROs.

The thirteen (13) confirmation (ten [10] composite and three [3] discrete) samples, as shown on Figure CSHED-03-2 that exceeded the SQROs for lead and/or zinc were collected from areas excavated to bedrock. Lead exceedances occur in the northeast end where lead was historically stored and bedrock was encountered. Zinc exceedances occur in the southeast end where zinc was historically stored and bedrock was encountered. Residual lead exceedances range from 6,720 mg/kg to 23,300 mg/kg and zinc exceedances range from 10,500 mg/kg to 34,100 mg/kg.

Discrete samples were collected along with the following composite samples:

Composite Sample ID	Lead (mg/kg)	Zinc (mg/kg)	Discrete Sample ID	Lead (mg/kg)	Zinc (mg/kg)
CSHED-537-F-C	1120	1980	CSHED-544-F-D	6720	9260
			CSHED-545-F-D	<100	132
CSHED-520-F-C	236	353	CSHED-546-F-D	<100	150
CSHED-531-F-C	111	1620	CSHED-535-F-D	653	**20700**
CSHED-533-F-C	172	5950	CSHED-536-F-D	716	**29300**
CSHED-530-F-C	127	2270	CSHED-534-F-D	478	1540
CSHED-360-F-C	713	1070	CSHED-316-F-C	912	3110
CSHED-367-F-C	133	404	CSHED-352-F-D	338	456
CSHED-499-W-C	<100	274	CSHED-497-W-D	<100	290
CSHED-503-W-C	<100	196	CSHED-493-W-D	<100	92

Total metal analyses were performed on eight randomly selected confirmation samples taken from the final floor and walls of the excavation. Two samples returned barium concentrations, (not identified as a metal of concern in the ESA), greater than the generic Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines (CEQG) for parkland land use. Barium concentrations in the samples which had lead and zinc below the SQROs, were relatively high when compared to the generic CCME CEQG for parkland land use. In contrast, the results from samples collected from the bedrock surface where lead and zinc exceeded the SQROs, exhibited low barium concentrations.

Quality Assurance and Quality Control (QA/QC)

Relative percent differences (RpD's) have been calculated and compiled in Table CSHED-03-3 for the twenty (20) field screening duplicate results, the single analytical laboratory duplicate result and the seven (7) laboratory replicate results.

Some of the samples returned results below the practical quantitation limit (PQL) in which case the RpD value has been identified as "na" (not available). The remaining RpD values are below 50% indicating acceptable repeatability in accordance with the approved standard GLL and TCL procedures and protocols.

DISCUSSION

Variability of Soil Analytical Results

Comparison of discrete and composite sample results collected from within the same 25 m x 25 m area indicates significantly variable results, as shown on the summary table above. The samples with the greatest variability between a discrete and its composite were all collected from within areas of bedrock. Thus the trend in variability is attributed to the inhomogeneous distribution of lead and zinc concentrate dust within an area.

Barium in Soil

Barium is a common gangue mineral associated with lead sulfides, and it is found in cavities in limestone and dolostone. Thus, the presence of elevated concentrations of barium can be attributed to natural mineralization associated with the Polaris limestone/dolostone hosted lead/zinc orebody. The approved site-specific remedial objectives allow for minor exceedances in a small percentage (less than 5%) of the confirmatory samples so long as the concentration is less than twice the remedial target. The residual soils within the excavation limits are considered to be in accordance with the Polaris Mine remedial objectives, since the barium concentrations are less than twice the remedial target.

Bedrock Contamination

Bedrock was encountered along the eastern portion of the floor of the former shed at unexpectedly shallow depths following the removal of 0.5 m to 1.0 m of soil contaminated with lead and zinc concentrate.

Concentrate dust appears to have migrated vertically through the soil layer overlying the bedrock surface during mine operations and during remedial excavations.

During ship loading operations it is reported that the mine scoop was used on occasion to loadout lead and zinc concentrate from the floor of the shed. The use of the scoop would have created pits in the soil overlying the bedrock. This created isolated pockets of concentrate in contact with bedrock. Initial intrusive investigations had not identified the variability in the vertical extent of contamination along the floor of the former concentrate storage shed.

The remedial excavation method used has resulted in lead and zinc concentrate blending with the underlying soil and infiltrating the rock. The use of a ripper tooth to break up the soil and fractured bedrock caused lead and zinc concentrate dust to be furrowed into the underlying clean material.

To meet the sampling protocol, fine-grained soil was preferentially scoured from within the fractured surface of the limestone bedrock during sample collection. This practice resulted in sampling that focused on the concentrate dust enriched soil present within the rock fractures and therefore produced higher overall values lead and zinc.

Samples collected from bedrock were predominantly composed of coarse unmineralized limestone fragments larger than 2 mm. Sample preparation protocols dictate that soil samples are sieved to remove clasts larger than 2 mm prior to field screening and/or laboratory analysis. Typically this procedure is intended to homogenize the soil sample to improve repeatability, however in the case of bedrock samples the analytical results likely represent of the mix of soil and concentrate that has been worked into the bedrock fractures either during operations or during remediation excavation activities.

The SQROs and the decommissioning and reclamation plan was developed for the remediation of contaminated soil, not rock. The occurrence of contaminated soil within bedrock fractures warrants a different remediation approach.

ALTERNATE REMEDIAL STRATEGY

Removal of small quantities of residual soil impacted with lead and zinc concentrate from within the fractured limestone bedrock by the remedial methods originally proposed proved impractical. Therefore, GLL investigated alternative methods to limit the contact of this material to human or ecological receptors and found that the best alternative was to isolate the residual concentrate dust under a durable cover of sand and gravel, a soil cover. The placement of the soil cover meets the principal objective of the original remediation plan, which is to eliminate the exposure pathways of the lead and zinc concentrate to human and ecological receptors at the Polaris Mine site. This alternate remedial strategy is discussed in the following section.

Exposure Pathways

Dissolved Phase Pathways

Theoretically, lead and zinc sulfides could disassociate into elemental compounds and migrate in the dissolved phase thus producing metal leachate. However, it is anticipated mobilization of dissolved metals in water will not result from the residual concentrate dust in volumes or concentrations high enough to pose a threat to the environment, based on the following:

- a low potential for the concentrate dust to migrate in the dissolved phase as indicated by the 1999/2000 ESA leachate test results;
- the low average ground temperature and the short thaw season attributed to the high latitude location of Little Cornwallis Island, as documented in the ESA, restricts the rate of oxidation reactions;
- extremely low precipitation on Little Cornwallis Island limits the infiltration and generation of runoff water;
- the small quantity of concentrate distributed over a relatively large area and tied up within bedrock;
- no visible evidence of acid rock drainage (ARD) on Little Cornwallis Island from outcrops of metal sulphides;
- the calcareous nature of the limestone bedrock would neutralize small amounts of acidity.

Direct And Indirect Pathways

In the risk assessment used to develop the Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan for the Polaris Mine, the primary concern was based entirely on direct and indirect soil contact in order to limit the exposure of lead and zinc to human and other ecological receptors. Therefore, it is important to consider the depth of influence of human or biological activity in the subsurface as this dictates the thickness of cover that is required to prevent direct or indirect soil contact.

Depth of Cover

The depth of influence of human or biological activity in the subsurface is an important consideration in determining the thickness of cover required to prevent direct or indirect soil contact. At Little Cornwallis Island, the typical plant root depth is within the upper 10 cm of the soil.

Within British Columbia, the Ministry of Water Land and Air protection considers the top 15 cm of soil to be the effective plant root zone in most cases and the area inhabited by most soil-dwelling invertebrates. It is also assumed that human exposure as a result of incidental ingestion (e.g., soil inhalation of re-suspended dust), or dermal contact would all be limited to the surficial soil layer. Similarly, ecological exposure as a result of burrowing activity, incidental ingestion of soil, inhalation of impacted dust and consumption of indirectly impacted plants or prey would also be limited to the top soil layer.

The BC Ministry of Energy and Mines (BC MEM) considers that a well-graded silty, sand and gravel cover two or three times the depth of the rooting zone provides a conservative estimate of the required cover in circumstances where the prevention of oxidation is not an issue (personal communication Kim Bellefontaine, Senior Mine Review Geologist, BC MEM).

The placement of the soil cover to a minimum thickness of 0.5 m is considered to be conservative as a remedial measure given the anticipated lack of human redevelopment and occupation of the site or biological (shallow rooted plants or burrowing organisms) activity in this area. Therefore, based on the above information, a minimum cover thickness of 0.5 m was considered sufficient to effectively break the indirect and direct exposure pathways.

Soil Cover

The cover was placed to minimize potential human or ecological receptor contact with the floor of the excavation where contaminated soils were trapped in the fractured bedrock and could not be effectively removed.

Areal Coverage

The area that required a soil cover was determined by the screening and confirmatory sample results from the former concentrate storage shed floor. (i.e., areas with bedrock outcrop that could not meet the remedial target concentrations). The area requiring full soil cover (0.5 m thick) is shown on Figure CSHED-03-3 and correlates approximately with the area of exposed bedrock as illustrated on Figure CSHED-03-2.

Cover Material

The soil cover consists of a well-graded material containing a sufficient proportion of fine-grained material in order to encapsulate the residual concentrate in soil particles of roughly comparable dimensions. The cover is also coarse enough so that it is resistant to erosion by wind and water. Use of a well-graded sand and gravel with trace to some silt meets both requirements. A significant quantity of surficial runoff is not expected and water erosion of the cover should not be a significant concern, since the area is predominantly flat lying and upslope contouring will provide drainage control.

At the Polaris Mine Site, there were two readily available materials for use as potential cover in the Concentrate Storage Shed area – quarried shale or deposits of sand and gravel. Preliminary grain size analysis from two samples of quarried shale indicated that these shale samples consisted of primarily gravel sized particles. It was therefore determined that the quarried shale did not possess a suitable grain size gradation to be used as a source for the cover material. Gravel from the area east of the Operational Landfill is described as a clean, fairly well-graded, sandy gravel to a well-graded, sand and gravel with a of trace silt. Of the sources available, this material was available in sufficient quantities that best suit the requirements for the cover.

Cover Thickness

The minimum cover thickness of 0.5 m has been applied wherever the confirmatory samples indicate that lead or zinc concentrations exceed the remediation criteria. . At the west side of the

former shed, where the soil meets the remediation criteria, the cover thickness is thinner and graded to blend in with the existing ground surface. Surveying was undertaken by SNC Lavalin to document the elevations of the excavation limits and the boundaries of the impacted areas that have been delineated. Placement of the cover material over the impacted areas was completed to a survey controlled thickness. A final survey of the finished surface following remediation of the adjacent remaining contaminated soils is to be completed in 2004.

Drainage Control

The slope of the final cover over the floor of the former concentrate storage shed has been contoured to ensure that the area will drain. To further limit the amount of runoff that traverses the cover surface, it is proposed that the area upslope of the former shed will be graded to deflect the flow around the cover.

Once the reclamation of the area upslope of the former concentrate storage shed has been completed, final contouring of the area will be done to provide a more aesthetically pleasing appearance to the area. Any contouring will result in additional native materials being placed over top of the soil cover and in no instances will the contouring reduce the thickness of the soil cover.

CONCLUSIONS

The soil remediation of the area west of the former concentrate storage shed, the western portion of the floor, and the east wall of the former shed, has been completed to meet the Polaris Mine remedial targets, as documented in the approved Polaris Mine Decommissioning and Remediation Plan, March 2001.

It has not been practical to remove concentrate in the fractures of the limestone bedrock surface in this area. An alternate method has been implemented to mitigate these residual concentrates..

Furthermore, it is inappropriate to apply the SQROs to the concentration of fines that are bound in the interstices of the fractured bedrock surface. Applying these soil criteria in this situation is beyond the original intent of the risk assessment and the soil remediation targets that were developed as a result of the risk assessment. The current situation can be best explained as a minor quantity of concentrate dust that remains within the fractured bedrock surface. It is

recognized that the confirmatory test results for samples obtained at the bedrock surface do not accurately reflect the effectiveness of the remediation due to the overstatement of the residual concentrations.

In recognition of these issues, GLL recommended mitigation measures to limit human or ecological contact. Isolation under a durable cover of naturally occurring sand and gravel material that is available nearby was determined to be the most practical and effective. The cover constructed is composed of native gravels that were obtained near to the Operational Landfill area. This gravel has a suitable gradation to resist erosion from wind and surficial runoff. This natural material will also blend in with the natural surroundings and will contribute to enhancing the aesthetics of the resulting surface.

The following recommendations are provided planning of completion of the site remediation in 2004:

- Upon completion of the excavation of the remaining contaminated soils present to the north, east and south of the former concentrate storage shed area, contouring of the cover material should be undertaken to blend in with the natural surroundings.
- The hillside upslope of the Concentrate Shed will be contoured to effectively divert the majority of runoff water around the covered area.
- Confirmation of the cover thickness should be confirmed by survey data and/or test pits.
- The follow up site monitoring program to be initiated at the conclusion of the remediation should include cover stability monitoring. Results of this inspection should be included in the reporting and submitted to the regulators.

LIMITATIONS

This report has been prepared by Gartner Lee Limited, and the information in this report is intended for the use of Teck Cominco Metals Limited during the decommissioning and reclamation program currently underway at the Polaris Mine Site. Any use which a third party makes of this report, or any reliance on or decisions made on the basis of the information in this report is the responsibility of such third parties. Gartner Lee Limited accepts no responsibility for damages, if any, suffered by the third party, based on the use of or reliance on any information contained in this report.

The scope of Gartner Lee Limited's work was limited to that described in this report. The confirmation of environmental conditions at the site of the remedial work is based on sampling at specific wall and floor locations within the excavation limits. Gartner Lee Limited has used judgement in the interpretation of the available information but subsurface physical and/or chemical characteristics may vary between or beyond sampling locations. Gartner Lee Limited is not a guarantor of the environmental condition of the site but warrants only that its work was undertaken and its report prepared in a manner consistent with the level of skill and diligence normally exercised by competent environmental professionals practicing in the Nunavut Territory.

If you should have any questions or comments with any of the aspects of this technical letter, please call the undersigned at your convenience

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ATTACHMENTS

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Table CSHED-03-1. Concentrate Storage Shed Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

Gartner Lee		Location	Concentrate Storage Shed								
		Sample ID	CSHED-255-F-C	CHED-256-F-C	CSHED-257-F-C	CSHED-316-F-D	CSHED-352-F-D	CSHED-358-F-C	CSHED-359-F-C	CSHED-360-F-C	CSHED-361-F-C
		Date Sampled	8/31/2003	8/31/2003	8/31/2003	9/2/2003	9/2/2003	9/2/2003	9/2/2003	9/2/2003	9/2/2003
		Field Screen Pb [e] (ppm)	na	na	na	700.74	285.95	na	na	na	na
		Field Screen Zn [e] (ppm)	na	na	na	3788.79	830.27	na	na	na	na
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME [a] Guidelines**		**Analytical Results**							
		CEQG (PL)[b]	**SQRO[c]**								
Physical Tests											
pH		-	-	-	-	-	8.22	-	-	-	-	-
Total Metals											
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	<20[f]	-	-	-	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	-	-	-	<10	-	-	-	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	-	-	-	484	-	-	-	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	-	-	-	<1	-	-	-	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	<4	-	-	-	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	1300	118	281	912	338	574	622	713	270
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	6.6	-	-	-	-	<0.05	-	-	-	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	-	-	-	<8	-	-	-	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	-	-	-	<10	-	-	-	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	-	-	-	<4[f]	-	-	-	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	<4	-	-	-	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	<10	-	-	-	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	-	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	2700	1820	2890	3110	456	999	2050	1070	1080

Associated ALS Analytics files: T5093, T4927, T4772, T4634, T4151, T4079, T4071, T3583

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f) The analytical method detection limit (MDL) exceeds the Generic CCME CEQG for Parkland (PL) land use.

Table CSHED-03-1. Concentrate Storage Shed Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

Gartner Lee		Location	Concentrate Storage Shed								
		Sample ID	CSHED-362-F-C	CSHED-363-F-C	CSHED-364-F-C	CSHED-365-F-C	CSHED-366-F-C	CSHED-367-F-C	CSHED-403-F-C	CSHED-404-F-C	CSHED-429-F-C
		Date Sampled	9/2/2003	9/2/2003	9/2/2003	9/2/2003	9/2/2003	9/2/2003	9/1/2003	9/1/2003	9/1/2003
		Field Screen Pb [e] (ppm)	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
		Field Screen Zn [e] (ppm)	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME [a] Guidelines**		**Analytical Results**								
		CEQG (PL)[b]	**SQRO[c]**									
Physical Tests												
pH		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.48	-	-	-
Total Metals												
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	<20[f]	-	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	<10	-	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	-	-	-	-	-	**631**	-	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	<1	-	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	<4	-	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	321	139	113	266	<100	133	<100	118	307
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	6.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	<0.05	-	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	<8	-	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	<10	-	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	<4[f]	-	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	<4	-	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	<10	-	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	-	-	-	-	-	33	-	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	917	469	290	1060	441	404	684	442	2140

Associated ALS Analytics files: T5093, T4927, T4772, T4634, T4151, T4079, T4071, T3583

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f) The analytical method detection limit (MDL) exceeds the Generic CCME CEQG for Parkland (PL) land use.

Table CSHED-03-1. Concentrate Storage Shed Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

Gartner Lee		Location	Concentrate Storage Shed							
		Sample ID	CSHED-462-F-C	CSHED-463-F-C	CSHED-464-F-C	CSHED-465-F-C	CSHED-466-F-Q	CSHED-479-W-D	CSHED-493-W-D	CSHED-496-W-C
		Date Sampled	9/26/2003	9/26/2003	9/26/2003	9/26/2003		9/26/2003	9/26/2003	9/26/2003
		Field Screen Pb [e] (ppm)	463.55	64.44	66.72	430.36	duplicate of CSHED 465-F-C	48.66	35.15	257.91
		Field Screen Zn [e] (ppm)	7674.39	435.08	654.63	1861.07		309.02	242.37	3699
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME [a] Guidelines**		**Analytical Results**							
		CEQG (PL)[b]	**SQRO[c]**								
Physical Tests											
pH		-	-	-	-	-	-	8.03	8.39	-	-
Total Metals											
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<20[f]	<20[f]	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	-	-	-	-	<10	<10	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	-	-	-	-	**719**	117	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<1	<1	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	-	-	-	-	6	1	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	-	-	-	-	7	5	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<4	<4	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	-	-	-	-	12	4	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	514	170	105	618	653	<100	<100	256
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	6.6	-	-	-	-	-	<0.05	<0.05	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<8	<8	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	-	-	-	-	11	<10	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	-	-	-	-	<4[f]	<6[f]	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<4	<4	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<10	<10	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	-	-	-	-	37	15	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	6010	305	672	2350	1920	290	92	3930

Associated ALS Analytics files: T5093, T4927, T4772, T4634, T4151, T4079, T4071, T3583

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Table CSHED-03-1. Concentrate Storage Shed Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

Gartner Lee		Location	Concentrate Storage Shed							
		Sample ID	CSHED-497-W-C	CSHED-498-W-C	CSHED-499-W-C	CSHED-500-W-C	CSHED-501-W-C	CSHED-502-W-C	CSHED-503-W-C	CSHED-506-W-C
		Date Sampled	9/26/2003	9/26/2003	9/26/2003	9/26/2003	9/26/2003	9/26/2003	9/26/2003	9/29/2003
		Field Screen Pb [e] (ppm)	98.38	261.19	68.47	325.56	84.25	67.75	31.84	na
		Field Screen Zn [e] (ppm)	850.45	4148.73	661.99	7402.38	1174.38	1233.88	378.09	na
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME [a] Guidelines**		**Analytical Results**							
		CEQG (PL)[b]	**SQRO[c]**								
Physical Tests											
pH		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Metals											
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	101	1150	<100	301	<100	<100	<100	<100
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	6.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	459	5250	274	4530	1030	712	196	1070

Associated ALS Analytics files: T5093, T4927, T4772, T4634, T4151, T4079, T4071, T3583

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Gartner Lee		Location		Concentrate Storage Shed						
		Sample ID		CSHED-514-F-C	CSHED-515-F-C	CSHED-520-F-C	CSHED-530-F-C	CSHED-531-F-C	CSHED-534-F-D	CSHED-546-F-D
		Date Sampled		10/3/2003	10/3/2003	10/4/2003	10/3/2003	10/3/2003	10/3/2003	10/4/2003
		Field Screen Pb [e] (ppm)		60.53	58.83	141.24	178.47	106.13	265.92	50.76
		Field Screen Zn [e] (ppm)		342.54	404.77	565.54	4517.23	1666.95	1813.42	269.11
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME [a] Guidelines**		**Analytical Results**						
		CEQG (PL)[b]	**SQRO[c]**							
Physical Tests										
pH		-	-	8.1	8.12	-	8.42	-	-	-
Total Metals										
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	<20[f]	<20[f]	-	<20[f]	-	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	<10	<10	-	<10	-	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	399	413	-	161	-	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	<1	<1	-	<1	-	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	<1	<1	-	6	-	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	7	6	-	4	-	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	<4	<4	-	<4	-	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	6	6	-	6	-	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	<100	<100	236	127	111	478	<100
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	6.6	-	<0.05	<0.05	-	<0.05	-	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	<8	<8	-	<8	-	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	12	12	-	<10	-	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	<4[f]	<7[f]	-	<4[f]	-	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	<4	<4	-	<4	-	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	<10	<10	-	<10	-	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	22	29	-	17	-	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	183	226	353	2270	1620	1540	150

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Table CSHED-03-2. Concentrate Storage Shed Remediation Confirmation Rock Samples - Metals

Gartner Lee		Location	Concentrate Storage Shed								
		Sample ID	CSHED-516-F-C	CSHED-517-F-C	CSHED-518-F-C	CSHED-521-F-C	CSHED-522-F-C	CSHED-523-F-C	CSHED-524-F-C	CSHED-525-F-C	CSHED-526-F-C
		Date Sampled	10/4/2003	10/4/2003	10/4/2003	10/4/2003	10/4/2003	10/4/2003	10/4/2003	10/4/2003	10/4/2003
		Field Screen Pb [e] (ppm)	5490.88	10767.14	1540.11	2166.75	4464.66	10651.02	198.95	569.6	433.2
		Field Screen Zn [e] (ppm)	6295.81	21223.17	22499.83	2857.05	14802.96	45129.58	8245.83	25098.48	14624.52
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME [a] Guidelines**		**Analytical Results**								
		CEQG (PL)[b]	**SQRO[c]**									
Physical Tests												
pH		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Metals												
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	***10100***	***23300***	1970	1880	***10800***	***6680***	221	565	447
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	6.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	4840	***20000***	***15300***	1290	***23500***	9450	4880	***20700***	***10500***

Associated ALS Analytics files: T5093, T4927, T4772, T4634, T4151, T4079, T4071, T3583

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Table CSHED-03-2. Concentrate Storage Shed Remediation Confirmation Rock Samples - Metals

Gartner Lee		Location	Concentrate Storage Shed									
		Sample ID	CSHED-527-F-C	CSHED-528-F-C	CSHED-529-F-C	CSHED-532-F-C	CSHED-533-F-C	CSHED-535-F-D	CSHED-536-F-D	CSHED-537-F-C	CSHED-544-F-D	CSHED-545-F-D
		Date Sampled	10/4/2003	10/4/2003	10/4/2003	10/3/2003	10/3/2003	10/3/2003	10/3/2003	10/4/2003	10/4/2003	10/4/2003
		Field Screen Pb [e] (ppm)	511.23	489.81	691.03	627.31	777.42	550.63	151.97	1039.65	3829.4	97.7
		Field Screen Zn [e] (ppm)	32282.59	9076.14	46067	31635.7	49825.97	26207.94	8199.65	2928.35	9202.68	312.64
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME [a] Guidelines**		**Analytical Results**								
		CEQG (PL)[b]	**SQRO[c]**									
Physical Tests												
pH		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.32	-	-
Total Metals												
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<20[f]	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<10	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	487	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<1	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<4	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	646	626	822	567	716	653	172	1120	***6720***	<100
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	6.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<0.05	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<8	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<10	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<4[f]	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<4	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<10	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	***31900***	7800	***34100***	***17800***	***29300***	***20700***	5950	1980	9260	132

Associated ALS Analytics files: T5093, T4927, T4772, T4634, T4151, T4079, T4071, T3583

Bold	*Concentration greater than or equal to the CCME generic soil quality guideline for Parkland (PL) land use.*
Bold	*Concentration greater than or equal to the Site-Specific Risk-Based CCME SQRO for the Polaris Mine site*

Notes:

<= Less than analytical method detection limit

"-" = No analysis performed for given parameter, or no guideline

"na" = no field screening result available

a) Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (CCME) standards and guidelines provides criteria based on land use activities and applies the most stringent criteria based on site-specific receptors and exposure pathway.

b) CCME Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines (CEQG) Tier 1 Soil Quality Guidelines for Parkland (PL) land use. The site specific factors used for determining the soil quality guideline include: soil ingestion, soil contact, and nutrient cycling.

c) Site-Specific Risk-Based CCME Tier 3 Soil Quality Remediation Objective (SQRO) for the Polaris Mine site.

d) CCME CEQG Tier 1 PL land use interim remediation criteria for soil. Soil Quality Guidelines based on the CCME soil protocol have not yet been developed for a given chemical.

e) Field screening measurements are from the Niton portable X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) elemental analyser.

f) The analytical method detection limit (MDL) exceeds the Generic CCME CEQG for Parkland (PL) land use.

Table CSHED-03-3. Concentrate Storage Shed Quality Assurance and Quality Control Samples

Gartner Lee	Parameter	Pb		Zn		Pb			Zn		
	Relative Percent Difference (RpD)[a]	MDL	PQL[b]	MDL	PQL[b]	Sample Pb	Duplicate Pb	RpD[a] (%)	Sample Zn	Duplicate Zn	RpD[a] (%)
Sample ID	**Duplicate ID**										
On Site Field Screening Duplicates											
CSHED-265-I-D	CSHED-561-I-Q	70	350	150	750	1039.43	1282.39	20.9	15353.33	20150.07	27.0
CSHED-277-I-D	CSHED-562-I-Q	70	350	150	750	291.32	416.70	na	2464.36	3557.9	36.3
CSHED-289-I-D	CSHED-563-I-Q	70	350	150	750	882.72	996.04	12.1	1799.25	2147.82	17.7
CSHED-302-I-D	CSHED-564-I-Q	70	350	150	750	503.14	466.81	7.5	1813.45	1547.64	15.8
CSHED-335-I-D	CSHED-565-I-Q	70	350	150	750	101.91	92.78	na	580.10	723.04	na
CSHED-346-I-D	CSHED-566-I-Q	70	350	150	750	53.55	44.07	na	333.88	329.32	na
CSHED-393-I-D	CSHED-567-I-Q	70	350	150	750	50.64	79.35	na	551.86	600.28	na
CSHED-449-I-D	CSHED-568-I-Q	70	350	150	750	100.17	119.53	na	1104.99	1594.15	36.2
CSHED-467-W-D	CSHED-569-W-Q	70	350	150	750	885.26	709.95	22.0	13309.28	11821.18	11.8
CSHED-478-W-D	CSHED-570-W-Q	70	350	150	750	49.75	73.62	na	267.29	324	na
CSHED-489-W-D	CSHED-571-W-Q	70	350	150	750	152.50	183.06	na	2751.98	4248	42.8
CSHED-43-W-D	CSHED-574-W-Q	70	350	150	750	379.34	334.00	na	1958.45	1736	12.0
CSHED-194-I-D	CSHED-575-I-Q	70	350	150	750	550.24	423.82	na	6083.64	4638	27.0
CSHED-205-I-D	CSHED-576-I-Q	70	350	150	750	122071.22	125311.18	2.6	839056.75	829004	1.2
CSHED-206-I-D	CSHED-577-I-Q	70	350	150	750	757.22	692.51	8.9	3685.68	3399	8.1
CSHED-217-I-D	CSHED-578-I-Q	70	350	150	750	3506.13	3427.62	2.3	908.04	853	6.2
CSHED-218-I-D	CSHED-579-I-Q	70	350	150	750	3694.48	4937.02	28.8	962.66	1153	18.0
CSHED-225-I-D	CSHED-580-I-Q	70	350	150	750	2678.75	2434.17	9.6	78068.78	74599	4.5
CSHED-233-I-D	CSHED-581-I-Q	70	350	150	750	1308.80	1356.69	3.6	91405.45	95032	3.9
CSHED-355-F-C	CSHED-583-F-Q	70	350	150	750	6959.30	6160.91	12.2	119372.92	106503	11.4
Analytical Laboratory Duplicates											
CSHED-465-F-C	CSHED-466-F-C	100	500	2	10	618	653	5.5	2350	1920	20.1
Analytical Laboratory Replicates											
CSHED-534-F-D	QC# 358812	100	500	2	10	478	225	na	1540	1070	36
CSHED-514-F-C	QC# 358194	100	500	2	10	<100	<100	na	183	150	20
CSHED-520-F-C	QC# 358195	100	500	2	10	236	162	na	353	250	34
CSHED-500-W-C	QC# 357530	100	500	2	10	301	242	na	4530	3690	20
CSHED-463-F-C	QC# 356998	100	500	2	10	170	<100	na	305	334	9
CSHED-359-F-C	QC# 355056	100	500	2	10	622	647	4	2050	1350	41
CSHED-401-F-C	QC# 355053	100	500	2	10	327	314	na	2140	2160	0.9

Bold *RpD value is greater than or equal to 50% and the concentrations of both samples are greater than the practical quantitation limit (PQL)*

Notes:

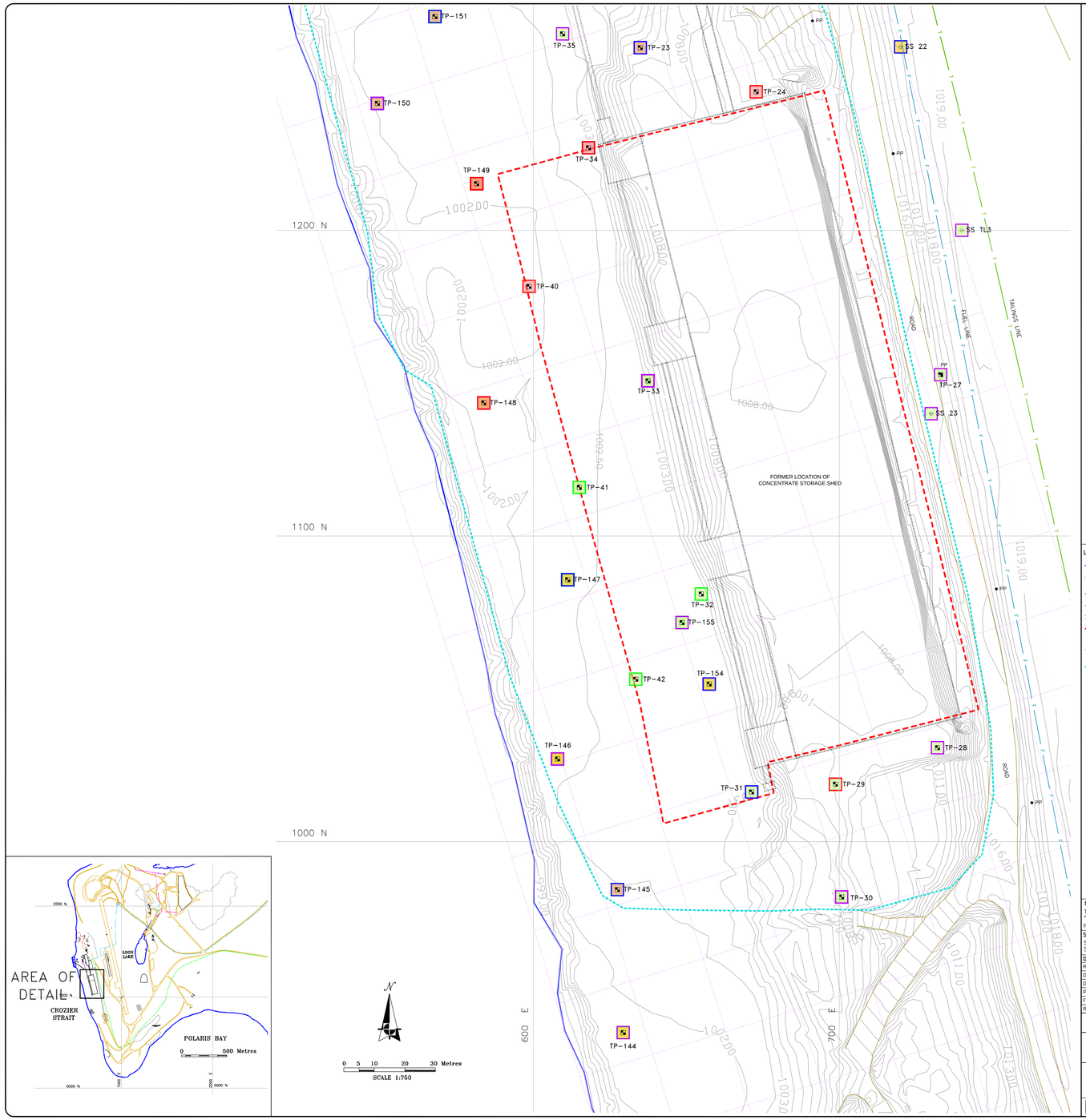
"na" = RpD value is not applicable because one or both results are less than the practical quantitation limit (PQL).

"-" = no result for given parameter

"<" = less than analytical method detection limit

*a) Relative Percent Difference = RpD = (Difference/Average) * 100*

*b) Practical Quantitation Limit (PQL)=5 * Method Detection Limit (MDL)*



LEGEND:

- SHORE LINE
- FORMER LOCATION OF CONCENTRATE STORAGE SHED
- FUEL LINE
- TAILINGS LINE
- ROADS
- LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION
- EXCAVATION GRID
- GROUND CONTOURS BEFORE REMEDIATION (m)
- AREA OF CONCERN FOR METALS CONTAMINATION FROM THE 1999-2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT (ESA)
- PP POWER POLE
- TP-28 TEST PIT – 1999 AND 2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENTS
- SS 22 SURFACE SAMPLE (1999/2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT)

ZINC CONCENTRATION IN SOILS (1999 & 2000 DATA)

- 0–1000 PPM
- 1000–5000 PPM
- 5000–10,000 PPM
- >10,000 PPM

LEAD CONCENTRATION IN SOILS (1999 & 2000 DATA)

- 0–1,000 PPM
- 1,000–2,000 PPM
- > 2,000 PPM

NOTE:
THIS IS AREA 3 SHOWN ON FIGURE 1 "CONTAMINATED SOILS REMEDIATION PROGRESS PLAN, DECEMBER 31, 2003"

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CONCENTRATE STORAGE SHED CONDITIONS BEFORE REMEDIATION (DECEMBER 31, 2003)

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2003 CONFIRMATION SAMPLES

FLOOR SAMPLES

Sample ID	Lead (mg/kg)	Zinc (mg/kg)
CSHED-255-F-C	1300	2700
CSHED-256-F-C	118	1820
CSHED-257-F-C	281	2890
CSHED-316-F-D	912	3110
CSHED-352-F-D	338	456
CSHED-358-F-C	574	999
CSHED-359-F-C	622	2050
CSHED-360-F-C	713	1070
CSHED-361-F-C	270	1080
CSHED-362-F-C	321	917
CSHED-363-F-C	139	469
CSHED-364-F-C	113	290
CSHED-365-F-C	266	1060
CSHED-366-F-C	<100	441
CSHED-367-F-C	133	404
CSHED-403-F-C	<100	684
CSHED-404-F-C	118	442
CSHED-429-F-C	307	2140
CSHED-462-F-C	514	6010
CSHED-463-F-C	170	305
CSHED-464-F-C	105	672
CSHED-465-F-C	618	2350
CSHED-466-F-Q Duplicate of CSHED-465-F-C	653	1920
CSHED-514-F-C	<100	183
CSHED-515-F-C	<100	226
CSHED-516-F-C	10100	4840
CSHED-517-F-C	23300	20000
CSHED-518-F-C	1970	15300
CSHED-520-F-C	236	353
CSHED-521-F-C	1880	1290
CSHED-522-F-C	10800	23500
CSHED-523-F-C	6680	9450
CSHED-524-F-C	221	4880
CSHED-525-F-C	565	20700
CSHED-526-F-C	447	10500
CSHED-527-F-C	646	31900
CSHED-528-F-C	626	7800
CSHED-529-F-C	822	34100
CSHED-530-F-C	127	2270
CSHED-531-F-C	111	1620
CSHED-532-F-C	567	17800
CSHED-533-F-C	716	29300
CSHED-534-F-D	478	1540
CSHED-535-F-D	653	20700
CSHED-536-F-D	172	5950
CSHED-537-F-C	1120	1980
CSHED-544-F-D	6720	9260
CSHED-545-F-D	<100	132
CSHED-546-F-D	<100	150

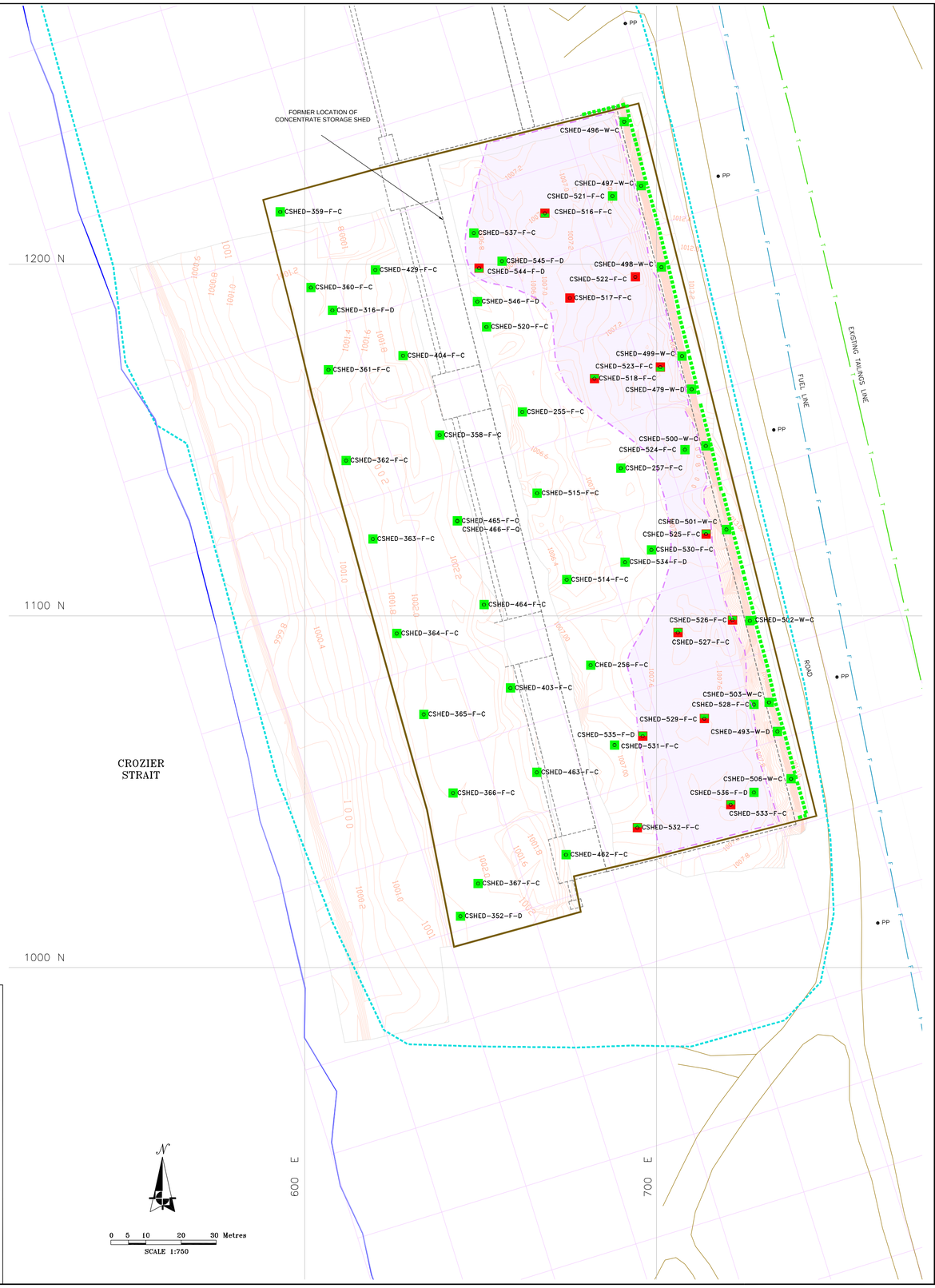
WALL SAMPLES

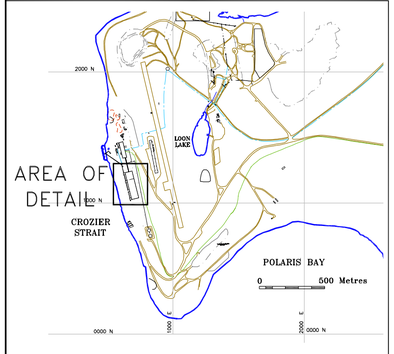
Sample ID	Lead (mg/kg)	Zinc (mg/kg)
CSHED-479-W-D	<100	299
CSHED-493-W-D	<100	92
CSHED-496-W-C	256	3930
CSHED-497-W-C	101	459
CSHED-498-W-C	1150	5250
CSHED-499-W-C	<100	274
CSHED-500-W-C	301	4530
CSHED-501-W-C	<100	1030
CSHED-502-W-C	<100	712
CSHED-503-W-C	<100	196
CSHED-506-W-C	<100	1070

RESULTS IN **RED** INDICATE SAMPLE CONTAINING
≥ 2000 mg/kg LEAD OR ≥ 10,000 mg/kg ZINC

NOTES:

<100	Less than detection limit
Lead, Zinc	Lead or Zinc concentrations obtained from ALS analytical laboratory





LEGEND:

- PP — POWER POLE
- FORMER LOCATION OF BUILDINGS AND FACILITES (REMOVED)
- SHORE LINE
- FUEL LINE
- LOCATION OF EXISTING TAILINGS LINE
- ROADS
- EXCAVATION GRID
- CONTOURS – BASE OF EXCAVATION (m)
- GROUND CONTOURS (m) BASED ON SEPT. 2003 SURVEY
- LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION
- AREA OF METAL CONCERN FROM 1999–2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT
- BEDROCK NEAR SURFACE AS OBSERVED VISUALLY IN THE FIELD

2003 SAMPLES

- CONFIRMATORY FLOOR OR WALL SAMPLE

2003 SAMPLE NAMING CONVENTION

AREA – SAMPLE ID – CSHED-462-F-C – TYPE

- C= COMPOSITE SAMPLE FLOOR–5 SAMPLES IN A 25x25m AREA WALL–5 SAMPLES ALONG 25m OF WALL
- D= DISCRETE SAMPLE
- Q= DUPLICATED QUALITY ASSURANCE/ QUALITY CONTROL SAMPLE

LOCATION F= FLOOR SAMPLE
I= INTERMEDIATE FLOOR SAMPLE
W= WALL SAMPLE

- SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 10,000 mg/kg ZINC
- SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 2,000 mg/kg LEAD
- AREA OF WALL COMPOSITE WALL SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 10,000 mg/kg ZINC OR 2,000 mg/kg LEAD
- SAMPLE CONTAINS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 10,000 mg/kg ZINC
- SAMPLE CONTAINS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 2,000 mg/kg LEAD

NOTE:
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CONCENTRATE STORAGE SHED CONDITIONS AFTER REMEDIATION (DECEMBER 31, 2003)

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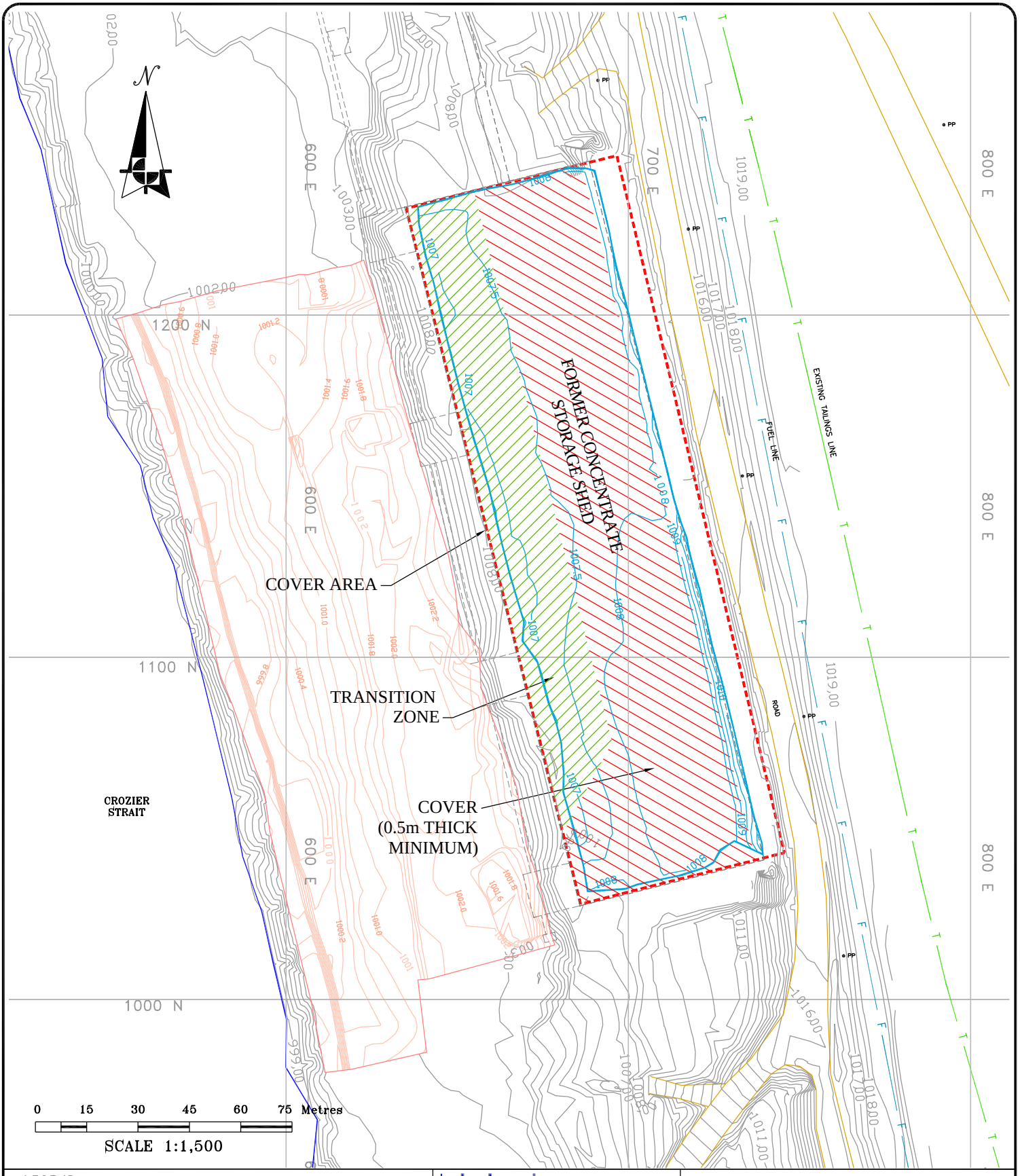

LEGEND:

- GROUND CONTOURS AREAS NOT REMEDIATED (m)
- CONTOURS – BACKFILL (m)
- CONTOURS BASE OF EXCAVATION (m)
- SOIL COVER (0.5m THICK MINIMUM)
- TRANSITION ZONES (VARIABLE THICKNESS)

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CONCENTRATE STORAGE SHED - SOIL COVER

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FIGURE NO. CSHED-03-3

Appendix B

Polaris Mine Operations Contaminated Soil Remediation Close Out Report: Cemented Rock Fill (CRF) Plant Fuel Storage Tank

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Gartner Lee Limited

December 31, 2003

Mr. Bruce Donald
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Dear Mr. Donald:

Re: 23305 – Polaris Mine Operations Contaminated Soil Remediation
Close Out Report: Cemented Rock Fill (CRF) Plant Fuel Storage Tank Area

BACKGROUND

The Cemented Rock Fill (CRF) plant (shown as Area 4 on Figure 1: *Contaminated Soils Remedial Progress Plan*) was located south of the old quarry between 3300E and 1980E on the mine grid. The CRF was used to produce quarried limestone backfill material for the underground mine. Contaminant sources at the CRF plant include two above ground storage tanks (ASTs) used for storage and dispensing diesel fuel.

The 1999 Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) revealed hydrocarbon contamination in the direct vicinity of the ASTs located at the west and south wall of the CRF plant. In 2000, three step-out test pits were excavated to determine the extent of the contamination. Sample test results from the test pits did not show any hydrocarbon contamination.

METHODOLOGY

Excavation

The excavation of the CRF plant fuel storage area proceeded, based on the results of the ESA data gathered in 1999 and 2000, that identified localised hydrocarbon contamination as shown in Figure CRF-04-1. No further delineation work was conducted in 2003.

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Excavation of hydrocarbon contamination at the CRF plant occurred on June 27, 2003 in two isolated areas. The limits of the excavation are outlined in Figure CRF-04-2 and soils were removed to a depth of 1.0 m. A very weak olfactory indication of hydrocarbon impacted soil was detected from one of the two areas. The soil excavated from this area was disposed of in the underground mine workings in accordance with regulatory approvals. Upon completion of the excavation, composite samples were collected in accordance with standard GLL and TCL sampling procedures and protocols. The samples were deposited into sealable polyethylene bags and the field screening measurements were obtained using a portable photoionization detector (PID) to measure the concentrations of organic vapours in the headspace of the sample bags. The field screening results did not detect elevated organic vapour concentrations, so these samples were sent to Aurora Laboratory Services Ltd. (ALS) as confirmation samples.. Sample locations are located in Figure CRF-04-2.

ANALYTICAL RESULTS

Approximately 40 m^3 of contaminated soil was removed from the CRF plant area. Laboratory results for the CRF plant excavation are summarized in Table CRF-04-1. A total of five (5) samples were submitted for this area: one (1) discrete wall, two (2) discrete floors and two (2) composite floors. All samples submitted returned concentrations below the Polaris Mine SQRO.

Quality Assurance/ Quality Control (QA/QC)

QA/QC was performed on one analytical laboratory replicate from the former CRF plant fuel storage area. Since the lab results were below the practical quantitation limit this QA/QC result could not be assessed, as summarized in Table CRF-04-2.

CONCLUSIONS

Based on confirmatory sampling, consistent with good practice and the approved site specific sampling procedures and protocols, the remediation of the former CRF plant fuel storage area has been completed to meet the Polaris Mine remedial targets as documented in the approved Polaris Mine Decommissioning and Remediation Plan, March 2001.

LIMITATIONS

This report has been prepared by Gartner Lee Limited and the information in this report is intended for the use of Teck Cominco Metals Limited during the decommissioning and reclamation program currently underway at the Polaris Mine Site. Any use which a third party makes of this report, or any reliance on or decisions made on the basis of the information in this report is the responsibility of such third parties. Gartner Lee Limited accepts no responsibility for damages, if any, suffered by the third party, based on the use of or reliance on any information contained in this report.

The scope of Gartner Lee Limited's work was limited to that described in this report. The confirmation of environmental conditions at the site of the remedial work is based on sampling at specific wall and floor locations within the excavation limits. Gartner Lee Limited has used judgement in the interpretation of the available information but subsurface physical and/or chemical characteristics may vary between or beyond sampling locations. Gartner Lee Limited is not a guarantor of the environmental condition of the site but warrants only that its work was undertaken and its report prepared in a manner consistent with the level of skill and diligence normally exercised by competent environmental professionals practicing in the Nunavut Territory.

Yours very truly,
GARTNER LEE LIMITED

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Arlene Laudrum, P.Geol.
Remediation Supervisor, Polaris Mine Project

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ATTACHMENTS

Tables

Table CRF-04-1: Cemented Rock Fill Plant Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Hydrocarbons

Table CRF-04-2: Cemented Rock Fill Plant Quality Assurance and Quality Control Remediation Soil Samples

Figures

Figure CRF-04-1: Cemented Rock Fill Plant Area Conditions Before Remediation (December 31, 2003)

Figure CRF-04-2: Cemented Rock Fill Plant Area Conditions After Remediation (December 31, 2003)

Table CRF-04-1. Cemented Rock Fill Pant Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Hydrocarbons

Gartner Lee		Location	Cemented Rock Fill (CRF) Plant					
		Sample ID	CRF-4-F-C	CRF-6-F-D	CRF-12-F-Q (duplicate of CRF-6-F-D)	CRF-7-W-D	CRF-8-F-C	CRF-11-W-D
		Date	6/28/2003	6/28/2003	6/28/2003	6/28/2003	6/28/2003	6/28/2003
		Field Screen (ppm)[b]	15	20	na	na	10	20
Parameter	**Units**	**Polaris Mine SQROs[a]**	**Analytical Results**					
Physical Tests								
Moisture	%	-	6.4	4.8	7.6	5.9	5.2	5.2
Extractable Hydrocarbons								
EPH C_{10}-C_{19}	mg/kg	1000 [d]	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200
EPH C_{19}-C_{32}	mg/kg	1000 [d]	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200
LEPH	mg/kg	1000	-	-	-	-	-	-
HEPH	mg/kg	1000	-	-	-	-	-	-

Associated ALS Analytics Files: S9892

Notes:

Bold *Concentration exceeds the Soil Quality Remediation Objective (SQRO) for the Polaris Mine Site*

"<" = less than analytical method detection limit

"-" = no result for given parameter, or no guideline

"na" = no field screening result

a) The Soil Quality Remediation Objective for the Polaris Mine Site is based on the Yukon Territorial Contaminated Sites Regulation (CSR) for Parkland Land Use

b) Field screening measurements are based on the 'dry headspace' method using a combustible gas meter calibrated to a hexane standard.

c) EPH stands for extractable petroleum hydrocarbon

d) LEPH and HEPH stand for light and heavy extractable petroleum hydrocarbons.

e) LEPH/HEPH is determined by subtracting polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) from EPH, therefore use of the EPH remediation objective is conservative.

Table CRF-04-2. Cemented Rock Fill Plant Quality Assurance and Quality Control Remediation Soil Samples

Gartner Lee	Parameter	EPH C_{10}-C_{19}		EPH C_{19}-C_{32}		EPH C_{10}-C_{19}			EPH C_{19}-C_{32}		
	Relative Percent Difference (RpD)[a]	MDL	PQL[b]	MDL	PQL[b]	Sample EPH C_{10}-C_{19}	Duplicate EPH C_{10}-C_{19}	RpD[a] (%)	Sample EPH C_{19}-C_{32}	Duplicate EPH C_{19}-C_{32}	RpD[a] (%)
Sample ID	**Duplicate ID**										
Analytical Laboratory Duplicate											
CRF-6-F-D	CRF-12-F-Q	200	1000	200	1000	<200	<200	na	<200	<200	na

Notes:

Bold *RpD value is greater than or equal to 50% and the concentrations of both samples are greater than the practical quantitation limit (PQL)*

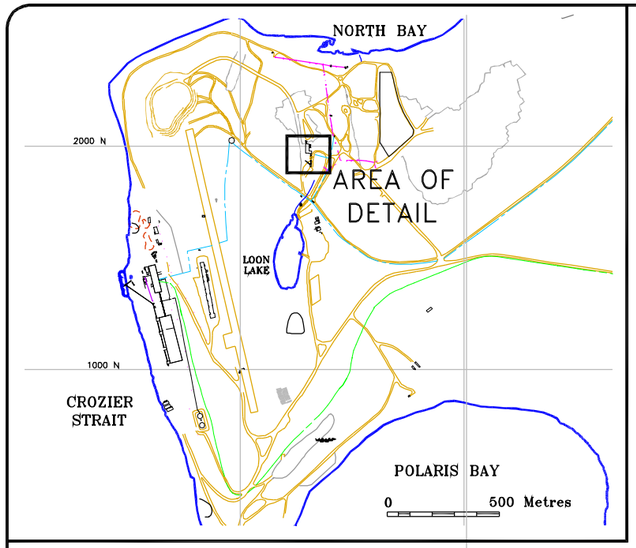
"na" = RpD value is not applicable because one or both results are less than the practical quantitation limit (PQL).

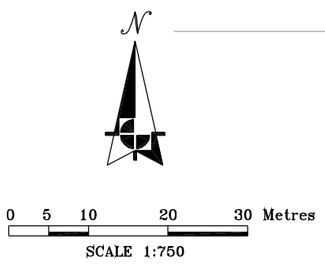
"-" = no result for given parameter

"<" = less than analytical method detection limit

*a) Relative Percent Difference = RpD = (Difference/Average) * 100*

*b) Practical Quantitation Limit (PQL)=5 * Method Detection Limit (MDL)*





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1300 E

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TP-73

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CRF PLANT

FORMER DIESEL TANK LOCATION

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CRF-2

CRF-3

FORMER DIESEL TANK LOCATION

ROAD

WATER LINE

TP-71

PP

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PP

LEGEND:

- LOCATION OF EXISTING STRUCTURE AND/OR FACILITY
- WATER LINE
- POWER LINE
- PP POWER POLE
- ROADS
- EXCAVATION GRID
- CREST OF SLOPE
- AREA OF CONCERN FOR HYDROCARBON CONTAMINATION FROM THE 1999-2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT (ESA)
- TP-72 TEST PIT - 1999 AND 2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENTS

ZINC CONCENTRATION IN SOILS (1999 & 2000 DATA)

- 0-1000 PPM
- 1000-5000 PPM
- 5000-10,000 PPM
- >10,000 PPM

LEAD CONCENTRATION IN SOILS (1999 & 2000 DATA)

- 0-1,000 PPM
- 1,000-2,000 PPM
- > 2,000 PPM
- EPH 10-19 OR EPH 19-32 CONCENTRATION IN SOIL GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 1,000 mg/kg
- EPH 10-19 OR EPH 19-32 CONCENTRATION IN SOIL LESS THAN 1,000 mg/kg

NOTE:

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CEMENTED ROCK FILL PLANT AREA CONDITIONS BEFORE REMEDIATION (DECEMBER 31, 2003)

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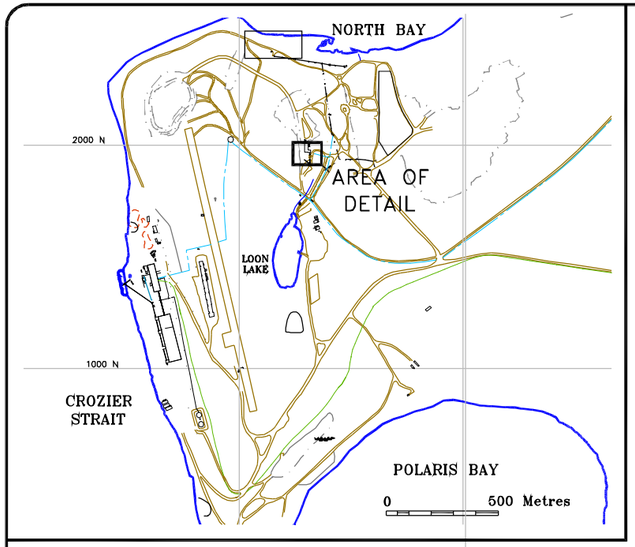

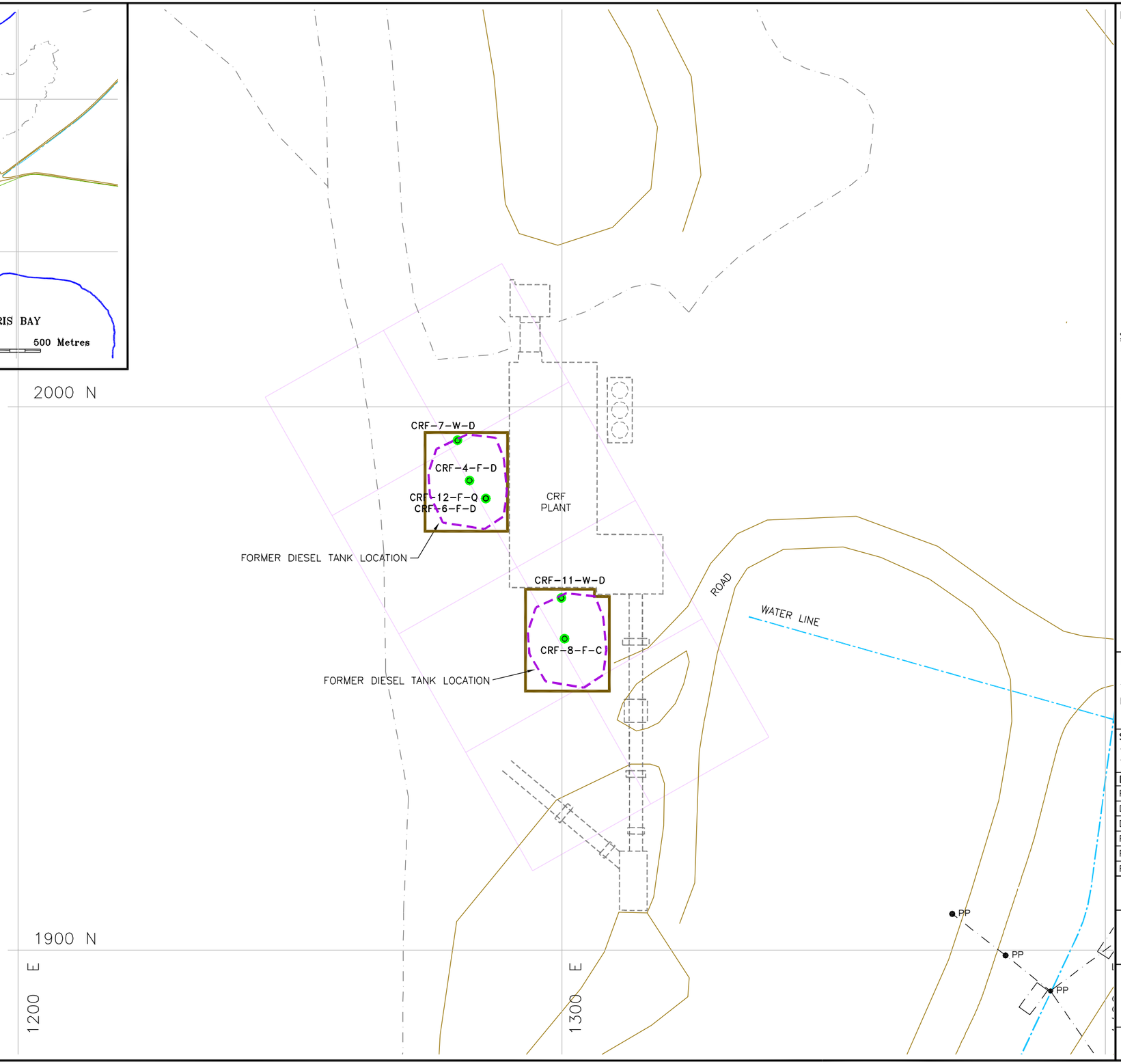

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2003 CONFIRMATION SAMPLES
FLOOR SAMPLES

Sample ID	EPH10-19 (mg/kg)	EPH19-32 (mg/kg)
CRF-4-F-D	<200	<200
CRF-6-F-D	<200	<200
CRF-12-F-Q Duplicate of CRF-6-F-D	<200	<200
CRF-8-F-C	<200	<200

WALL SAMPLES

Sample ID	EPH10-19 (mg/kg)	EPH19-32 (mg/kg)
CRF-7-W-D	<200	<200
CRF-11-W-D	<200	<200

NOTES:

<200 Less than detection limit

EHP10-19 Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbon (Carbon fraction 10-19) concentration obtained from ALS analytical laboratory

EPH19-32 Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbon (Carbon fraction 19-32) concentration obtained from ALS analytical laboratory

LEGEND:

- FORMER LOCATION OF BUILDINGS AND FACILITES (REMOVED)
- CREST OF SLOPE
- POWER LINE
- WATER LINE
- ROADS
- EXCAVATION GRID
- AREA OF HYDROCARBON CONCERN FROM 1999-2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT
- APPROXIMATE LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION
- PP POWER POLE

2003 SAMPLES

- CONFIRMATORY FLOOR OR WALL SAMPLE

SAMPLE NAMING CONVENTION

CRF-7-W-D
- AREA
- SAMPLE ID
- TYPE C= COMPOSITE SAMPLE FLOOR-5 SAMPLES IN A 25x25m AREA; WALL-5 SAMPLES ALONG 25m OF WALL
- D= DISCRETE SAMPLE
- Q= DUPLICATED QUALITY ASSURANCE/ QUALITY CONTROL SAMPLE
- LOCATION F= FLOOR SAMPLE; I= INTERMEDIATE FLOOR SAMPLE; W= WALL SAMPLE

EPH10-19 / EPH19-32 SOIL SAMPLE FROM EXCAVATION CONTAINS LESS THAN 1,000 mg/kg EPH 10-19 OR EPH 19-32

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CEMENTED ROCK FILL PLANT AREA CONDITIONS AFTER REMEDIATION (DECEMBER 31, 2003)

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Figure No. CRF-04-2

Appendix C

Polaris Mine Operations Contaminated Soil Remediation Close Out Report: Former Quonset Huts Fuel Storage Area

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Close Out Report: Former Quonset Huts Fuel Storage Area

BACKGROUND

The former Quonset Huts area (shown as Area 6 on Figure 1: *Contaminated Soils Remedial Progress Plan*) is located east of Loon Lake at 1320E and 1670N on the mine grid. This area housed the maintenance shed as well as the High Arctic Club recreation room. The shed contained various pieces of equipment, fuels, and lube oils. Areas of hydrocarbon stained soils were observed within the Quonset Hut where refueling facilities consisting of hand pumps attached to fuel drums were located. Contaminants of concern in this area were gasoline, diesel and lubricants. Figure QH-06-1 shows the area of suspected hydrocarbon concern identified during the Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) conducted in 1999 and 2000.

METHODOLOGY

Delineation

The area of suspected petroleum hydrocarbon contamination identified in the ESA was demarcated in the field.

Delineation of the hydrocarbon impacted area was accomplished through screening level sampling of the surface and subsurface material in the targeted area for remediation. This was undertaken using test pits advanced with an excavator to allow for observation of subsurface soil conditions such as fill, hydrocarbon odours, and soil discolouration. The testpits were excavated

to a depth of 1 m, approximately 0.3 m below the active permafrost layer. Samples were collected at 0.3 m intervals (0 m-0.3 m, 0.3 m-0.6 m, and 0.6 m-0.9 m) in accordance with standard GLL and TCL sampling procedures and protocols.

A line of three test pits (QH1, QH2, and QH3), spaced approximately15 m apart, within the centre of the suspected contaminated area, were excavated and sampled. The location of the test pits are shown in Figure QH-06-01. The olfactory condition and field screening measurements of the concentrations of organic vapours in the soil samples from the centre test pit (QH2) indicated possible subsurface hydrocarbon contamination. Therefore, two additional test pits were excavated and sampled eight meters to the east (QH4) and eight meters to the west (QH5) of the centre test pit (QH2).

Field screening samples were collected by hand in accordance with standard GLL and TCL sampling procedures and protocols. These samples were deposited into sealable polyethylene bags and the field screening measurements were obtained using a portable photoionization detector (PID) to measure the concentrations of organic vapours in the headspace of the sample bags.

Excavation

No excavation was required at the former Quonset Huts area.

Confirmatory Sampling

The field screening results indicated vapour readings below 65 ppm. A subset of the on site field screening samples were sent to Aurora Laboratory Services, Ltd. (ALS) of Vancouver BC, in clean Teflon lined jars to confirm the presence and nature of hydrocarbon compounds. To confirm a clean vertical profile, samples above and below the elevated organic vapour reading in test pit QH2 were sent for lab analysis. To confirm a clean horizontal profile, samples from each test pit with the highest PID reading were sent for lab analysis. Confirmation sampling locations are shown on Figure QH-06-01.

ANALYTICAL RESULTS

All samples sent to the analytical laboratory confirmed Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbons (EPH) EPH (C_{10}-C_{19}) concentrations below the method detection limit, except for one sample from QH2 1-2 ft (0.305 m-0.61 m). However, this sample returned results below the soil quality remediation objective (SQRO) of 1,000 mg/kg. All samples confirmed EPH (C_{19}-C_{32}) concentrations just above the method detection limit and well below the SQRO of 1,000 mg/kg.

These results indicate that the elevated petroleum hydrocarbon concentration below the SQROs from test pit QH2 1-2 ft (0.305 m-0.61 m) did not migrate.

Analytical laboratory results for EPHs are summarized in Table QH-06-1. A total of seven (7) remediation confirmation samples were submitted for the former Quonset Hut area, all of which are wall composite samples collected from the test pits.

Quality Assurance and Quality Control (QA/QC)

QA/QC was performed on one laboratory replicate sample from the Quonset Area. Since the lab results were below the practical quantitation limit this QA/QC result could not be assessed as shown in Table QH-06-2.

CONCLUSIONS

Based on confirmatory sampling consistent with good practice and the approved site specific sampling procedures and protocols, investigations confirm that no exceedances of remedial targets exist at the former Quonset Huts Area. Therefore, no remedial action was required in this area to meet the Polaris Mine remedial targets as documented in the approved Polaris Mine Decommissioning and Remediation Plan, March 2001.

LIMITATIONS

This report has been prepared by Gartner Lee Limited and the information in this report is intended for the use of Teck Cominco Metals Limited during the decommissioning and reclamation program currently underway at the Polaris Mine Site. Any use which a third party makes of this report, or any reliance on or decisions made on the basis of the information in this report is the responsibility of such third parties. Gartner Lee Limited accepts no responsibility for damages, if any, suffered by the third party, based on the use of or reliance on any information contained in this report.

The scope of Gartner Lee Limited's work was limited to that described in this report. The confirmation of environmental conditions at the site of the remedial work is based on sampling at specific wall and floor locations within the excavation limits. Gartner Lee Limited has used judgement in the interpretation of the available information but subsurface physical and/or chemical characteristics may vary between or beyond sampling locations. Gartner Lee Limited is not a guarantor of the environmental condition of the site but warrants only that its work was undertaken and its report prepared in a manner consistent with the level of skill and diligence

normally exercised by competent environmental professionals practicing in the Nunavut Territory.

Yours very truly,
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Tables

Table QH-06-1: Former Quonset Huts Fuel Storage Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Hydrocarbons
Table QH-06-2: Former Quonset Huts Fuel Storage Area Quality Assurance and Quality Control Remediation Soil Samples

Figures

Figure QH-06-1: Former Quonset Hut Area (December 31, 2003)

Table QH-06-1. Former Quonset Huts Fuel Storage Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Hydrocarbons

Gartner Lee		Location	Quonset Huts						
		Sample ID	QH1 1-2ft-C	QH2 0-1ft-C	QH2 1-2ft-C	QH2 2-3ft-C	QH3 1-2ft-C	QH4 1-2ft-C	QH5 2-3ft-C
		Date Sampled	8/8/2003	8/8/2003	8/8/2003	8/8/2003	8/8/2003	8/8/2003	8/8/2003
		Field Screen (ppm)[b]	10	15	65	20	15	20	20
Parameter	**Units**	**Polaris Mine SQROs[a]**	**Analytical Results**						
Physical Tests									
Moisture	%	-	6.3	6.7	9.4	8.4	11.4	10.4	4.9
Extractable Hydrocarbons									
EPH C_{10}-C_{19}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	<200	<200	908	<200	<200	<200	<200
EPH C_{19}-C_{32}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	<200	248	319	<200	285	216	<200
LEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
HEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Associated ALS Analytics Files: T2588

Notes:

Bold — *Concentration exceeds the Soil Quality Remediation Objective (SQRO) for the Polaris Mine Site*

"<" = less than analytical method detection limit

"-" = no result for given parameter, or no guideline

"na" = no field screening result

a) The Soil Quality Remediation Objective for the Polaris Mine Site is based on the Yukon Territorial Contaminated Sites Regulation (CSR) for Parkland Land Use

b) Field screening measurements are based on the 'dry headspace' method using a combustible gas meter calibrated to a hexane standard.

c) EPH stands for extractable petroleum hydrocarbon

d) LEPH and HEPH stand for light and heavy extractable petroleum hydrocarbons.

e) LEPH/HEPH is determined by subtracting polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) from EPH, therefore use of the EPH remediation objective is conservative.

Table QH-06-2. Former Quonset Huts Fuel Storage Area Quality Assurance and Quality Control Remediation Soil Samples

Gartner Lee	Parameter	EPH C_{10}-C_{19}		EPH C_{19}-C_{32}		EPH C_{10}-C_{19}			EPH C_{19}-C_{32}		
	Relative Percent Difference (RpD)[a]	MDL	PQL[b]	MDL	PQL[b]	Sample EPH C_{10}-C_{19}	Duplicate EPH C_{10}-C_{19}	RpD[a] (%)	Sample EPH C_{19}-C_{32}	Duplicate EPH C_{19}-C_{32}	RpD[a] (%)
Sample ID	**Duplicate ID**										
Analytical Laboratory Replicates											
QH4 1-2ft-C	QC# 349327	200	1000	200	1000	<200	<200	na	216	<200	na

Notes:

Bold *RpD value is greater than or equal to 50% and the concentrations of both samples are greater than the practical quantitation limit (PQL)*

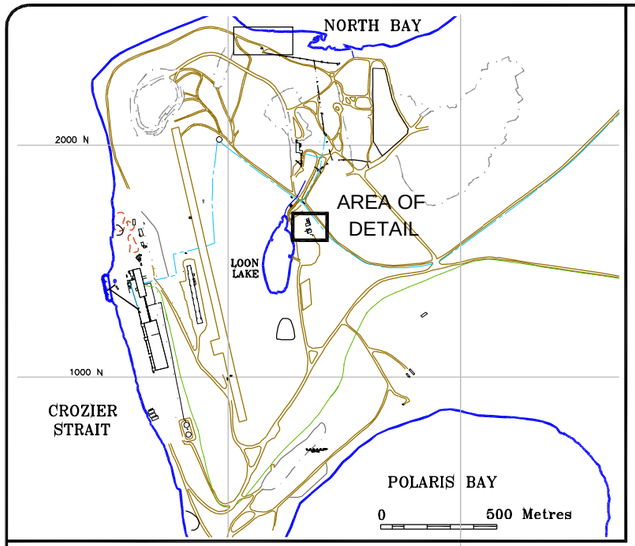
"na" = RpD value is not applicable because one or both results are less than the practical quantitation limit (PQL).

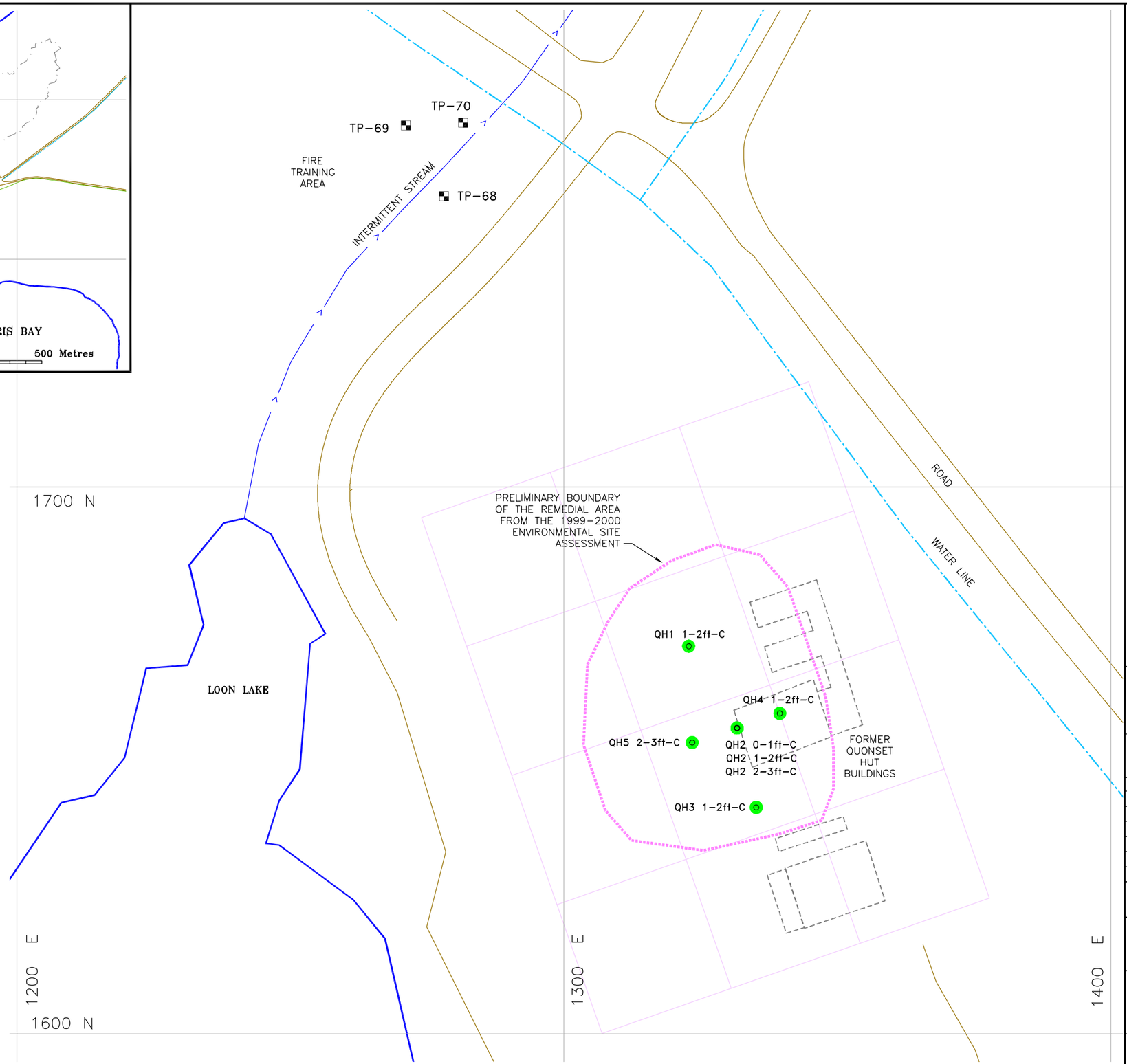
"-" = no result for given parameter

"<" = less than analytical method detection limit

*a) Relative Percent Difference = RpD = (Difference/Average) * 100*

*b) Practical Quantitation Limit (PQL)=5 * Method Detection Limit (MDL)*





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2003 CONFIRMATION SAMPLES
TEST PIT SAMPLES

Sample ID	EPH 10-19 (mg/kg)	EPH 19-32 (mg/kg)
QH1 1-2ft-C	<200	<200
QH2 0-1ft-C	<200	248
QH2 1-2ft-C	908	319
QH2 2-3ft-C	<200	<200
QH3 1-2ft-C	<200	285
QH4 1-2ft-C	<200	216
QH5 2-3ft-C	<200	<200

NOTES:

<200 Less than detection limit

EHP10-19 Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbon (Carbon fraction 10-19) concentration obtained from ALS analytical laboratory

EPH19-32 Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbon (Carbon fraction 19-32) concentration obtained from ALS analytical laboratory

LEGEND:

- INTERMITTENT STREAM
- FORMER LOCATION OF BUILDINGS AND FACILITES (REMOVED)
- WATER LINE
- ROADS
- EXCAVATION GRID
- AREA OF SUSPECTED HYDROCARBON CONCERN FROM 1999-2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT
- 2003 TEST PIT WALL SAMPLE
- TP-68 TEST PIT 1999-2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT

2003 SAMPLE NAMING CONVENTION

QH1-1-2ft-C
- AREA
- TEST PIT NUMBER
- TYPE C= COMPOSITE SAMPLE FLOOR-5 SAMPLES IN A 25x25m AREA WALL-5 SAMPLES ALONG 25m OF WALL
- D= DISCRETE SAMPLE
- Q= DUPLICATED QUALITY ASSURANCE/ QUALITY CONTROL SAMPLE
- DEPTH (FEET)

EPH10-19 SOIL SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 1,000 mg/kg EPH 10-19 OR EPH 19-32

EPH19-32

NOTE:
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FORMER QUONSET HUT AREA (DECEMBER 31, 2003)

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Appendix D

Polaris Mine Operations Contaminated Soil Remediation Close Out Report: Tailings Thickener Area

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Close Out Report: Tailings Thickener Area

BACKGROUND

The tailings thickener was located at the height of land to the west of the Garrow Lake tailings disposal area, approximately 4 km from the concentrator (shown as Area 11 on Figure 1: *Contaminated Soils Remediation Progress Plan, December 31, 2003*). The tailings thickener consisted of a 40 m diameter steel tank, approximately 5 m high. It was fitted with motorized rakes and enclosed within a metal-clad, steel-frame structure, and included pumps, piping, and reagent tanks. The entire facility was mounted on a concrete foundation. A skid mounted emergency power generator, an above-ground fuel storage tank, and an emergency tailings impoundment basin (spill pond) were located adjacent to the building.

Incidents of tailing spills in the vicinity of the thickener area have been documented as part of the Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) conducted in 1999 and 2000. In April 1983 a valve coupling broke at the tailings thickener and 150-200 tonnes of tailings spilled into the emergency berm and also across the road. In April 1986 the tailings line was broken approximately 100 m north of the thickener by a D-8 Cat pushing snow, releasing 20 tonnes of tailings. Mine operations cleaned the spills immediately after each incident, but no environmental sampling was conducted to evaluate the effectiveness of the clean up activities.

The ESA identified the area as containing elevated concentrations of metals due to the tailings spills and possible wind blown dispersion of tailings and surface water runoff. It also identified possible hydrocarbon contamination around the above ground fuel storage tank, though no surficial soil staining was observed during the ESA investigation.

METHODOLOGY

Delineation

The preliminary boundary of the remedial area, as identified in the ESA, was demarcated in the field with survey stakes. To direct the field screening sampling of soil and excavation activities a 25m x 25m sampling grid was also established over the area. The surface elevation was surveyed by SNC Lavalin.

The suspected metal contamination in the tailings thickener area, as shown on Figure TT-11-1, was attributed to air borne dispersion of tailings, and surface water runoff containing tailings sourced from the tailings thickener spill pond and the tailings line break. Therefore, delineation of the metals impacted areas was accomplished through screening-level sampling. GLL sampled near surface soil to depths up to 5 cm in accordance with standard GLL and TCL sampling procedures and protocols. Samples were analysed on site using a portable Niton X-ray fluorescence (XRF) elemental analyser. Subsets of samples field screened on site were sent to the analytical laboratory, Aurora Laboratory Services Ltd. (ALS) of Vancouver BC, to confirm the level of metals in the soil. Based on the results of the field screening sampling, GLL modified the boundaries of the area to be remediated and directed excavation.

A visual, olfactory and field screening sample inspection of the area of potential hydrocarbon contamination, shown on Figure TT-11-1, did not identify any hydrocarbon contamination. The three field screening samples of near-surface soil (depth of 0 to 30cm) were collected in accordance with standard GLL and TCL sampling procedures and protocols. These samples were deposited into sealable polyethylene bags. The field screening measurements were obtained using a portable photoionization detector (PID) to measure the concentrations of organic vapours in the headspace of the sample bags. The field screening results did not detect any elevated organic vapour concentrations, so these samples were sent to ALS as hydrocarbon confirmation samples.

Excavation

The tailings thickener building footprint and the tailings thicken spill pond were sampled and screened for metals contamination using the Niton XRF and laboratory analyses in May 2003. Screening results indicated that the south half of the tailings thickener spill pond contained lead and zinc concentrations above the Soil Quality Remediation Objectives (SQROs). In early August 2003, the south half of the tailings thickener spill pond was excavated to a depth of 0.5 m. Confirmation sampling of the excavation and the north half of the pond was performed in mid August 2003.

The area west of the former tailings thickener building, in the vicinity of the 1986 tailings line break, was sampled and screened for metals contamination using the Niton XRF in July 2003. Screening results indicated two areas, one either side of the access road, approximately 100m west of the former tailings thickener building to have lead and zinc concentrations above the SQROs. In early August 2003, these areas were excavated to a depth of 0.3 m. Confirmation sampling of the excavation was performed in mid August 2003.

The area southwest of the former tailings thickener building and spill pond, identified as possibly contaminated due to wind blown dispersion and surface water runoff of tailings was also sampled and screened for metals using the Niton XRF in July 2003. Field screening results from discrete samples TT-56-F-D and TT-46-F-D (see Figure TT-11-2) returned elevated lead concentrations of 2,018 ppm and 1,792 ppm respectively with the Niton XRF. Four composite samples and one discrete sample (TT-108-F-C, TT-109-F-C, TT-110-F-C, TT-111-F-C, TT-112-F-D) surrounding the field screening exceedances were collected and submitted to the analytical laboratory. Laboratory results confirmed that the soil in this area met the SQROs. Based on these laboratory results, no remedial excavation was performed southwest of the former thickener building.

The perimeter of the berm containing the tailings thickener spill pond was sampled and screened for metals contamination in July 2003. Screening results did not detect lead or zinc concentrations above the Niton confidence limit (1,500 ppm for Pb and 7,500 ppm for Zn). Therefore no remedial excavation was required outside the tailings thickener impoundment basin.

ANALYTICAL RESULTS

Analytical laboratory results for hydrocarbons and metals are summarized in Table TT-11-1 and TT-11-2 respectively along with the approved Polaris mine SQROs for petroleum hydrocarbons and lead and zinc. A total of twenty nine (29) remediation confirmation samples were submitted to the analytical laboratory from the tailings thickener area. Three (3) floor composite samples were analysed for hydrocarbons and twenty six (26) samples were analysed for metals: eleven (11) floor composites, four (4) floor discretes, eight (8) wall composites, two (2) wall discretes, and one (1) laboratory duplicate.

All of the hydrocarbon remediation confirmation samples returned results below the Polaris mine SQROs.

The metal remediation confirmation samples met the approved closure plan objectives for the contaminants of concern. One discrete metals sample from the tailings spill pond excavation, TT-203-F-D, returned results from the analytical laboratory slightly above the Polaris mine SQRO for lead. And, one composite sample north of the tailings spill pond excavation, TT-194-I-C, returned

field screening results above the Niton XRF confidence limit for zinc. Both the lead exceedance of 2,140 mg/kg, and the zinc exceedance of 8,643 mg/kg are less than two times the SQRO and are therefore in accordance with the site specific remedial protocol permitting for minor exceedances in less than 5% of confirmatory samples.

Total metals analysis was performed on three confirmation samples, from which two samples returned barium concentrations more than three times the generic Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Canadian Environmental Quality Guideline (CEQG) for Parkland land use of 500mg/kg in soil. The presence of barium can be explained by its association with lead sulphides and cavities in limestones and dolostones as commonly observed at the Polaris mine site. Lime, naturally occurring in the soil on Little Cornwallis Island, will easily immobilize barium by forming the relatively insoluble $BaCO_3$ and $BaSO_4$, and barium is easily precipitated to sulphate or carbonate (CCME 1999). The immobile nature of the barium encountered on site was also demonstrated in the 1999 ESA leachate analyses that returned barium concentrations at levels less than detection and it was therefore not identified as a contaminate of concern in the Polaris Mine ESA.

Quality Assurance and Quality Control (QA/QC)

Relative percent differences (RpD) have been calculated and compiled in table TT-11-3 for 15 on site field screened duplicates, one (1) analytical laboratory duplicate, and four (4) analytical laboratory replicates.

Some of the samples returned results below the practical quantitation limit in which case the RpD value has been identified as “na” (not available). The remaining RpD values are below 50%, indicating acceptable repeatability.

CONCLUSION

Based on confirmatory sampling consistent with good practice and the approved site specific sampling procedures and protocols, the remediation of the former tailings thickener area has been completed to meet the Polaris Mine remedial targets, as documented in the approved Polaris Mine Decommissioning and Remediation Plan, March 2001.

LIMITATIONS

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Table TT-11-1. Tailings Thickener Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Hydrocarbons

Gartner Lee		Location	Tailings Thickener		
		Sample ID	TT-167-F-C	TT-168-F-C	TT-169-F-C
		Date Sampled	7/29/2003	7/29/2003	7/29/2003
		Field Screen (ppm)[b]	na	na	na
Parameter	**Units**	**Polaris Mine SQROs[a]**	**Analytical Results**		
Physical Tests					
Moisture	%	-	7	13.2	10.5
Extractable Hydrocarbons					
EPH C_{10}-C_{19}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	<200	<200	<200
EPH C_{19}-C_{32}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	250	414	242
LEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	-	-
HEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	-	-

Associated ALS Analytics files: T2239

Notes:

Bold *Concentration exceeds the Soil Quality Remediation Objective (SQRO) for the Polaris Mine Site*

"<" = less than analytical method detection limit

"-" = no result for given parameter, or no guideline

"na" = no field screening result

a) The Soil Quality Remediation Objective for the Polaris Mine Site is based on the Yukon Territorial Contaminated Sites Regulation (CSR) for Parkland Land Use

b) Field screening measurements are based on the 'dry headspace' method using a combustible gas meter calibrated to a hexane standard.

c) EPH stands for extractable petroleum hydrocarbon

d) LEPH and HEPH stand for light and heavy extractable petroleum hydrocarbons.

e) LEPH/HEPH is determined by subtracting polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) from EPH, therefore use of the EPH remediation objective is conservative.

Table TT-11-2. Tailings Thickener Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

Gartner Lee

Parameter	Units	Federal CCME Guidelines		Location	Tailings Thickener								
				Sample ID	TT-108-F-C*	TT-109-F-C*	TT-110-F-C*	TT-111-F-C*	TT-112-F-D*	TT-170-F-C	TT-173-F-C	TT-179-W-C	TT-189-W-C
				Date Sampled	7/29/2003	7/29/2003	7/29/2003	7/29/2003	7/29/2003	8/4/2003	8/4/2003	8/7/2003	8/7/2003
				Field Screen Pb [c] (ppm)	317.14	933.37	650.03	685.53	792.2	1039.77	164	156.21	126.85
				Field Screen Zn [c] (ppm)	848.6	2805.02	1827.42	1959.98	1966.24	3681.11	296.33	416.14	355.86
		CEQG (PL)[a]	SQRO[b]	Analytical Results									
Physical Tests													
pH		-	-	-	-	-	-	8.07	-	-	8.4	-	-
Total Metals													
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<20e	-	-	<10	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	-	-	-	-	11	-	-	6	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	-	-	-	-	290	-	-	**1910**	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<1	-	-	<0.5	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	1.1	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	-	-	-	-	17	-	-	14	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	5	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	-	-	-	-	36	-	-	19	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	186	794	707	567	523	66	<50	110	<100	
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	6.6	-	-	-	-	-	<0.05	-	-	0.05	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<8	-	-	<4	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	-	-	-	-	31	-	-	27	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	-	-	-	-	<3[e]	-	-	<2[e]	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<4	-	-	<2	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<10	-	-	<5	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	-	-	-	-	88	-	-	67	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	700	3090	1940	1570	1300	285	130	624	147	

Associated ALS Analytics files: S8646, T2239, T2587, T2886, T4719, T6630

Notes:

Bold *Exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Guidelines for Parkland Land Use*

Bold *Exceeds the CCME Tier 3 Risk-Based Soil Soil Quality Remedial Objectives for the Polaris Mine Site*

<= Less than analytical method detection limit

"-" = No analysis performed for given parameter, or no guideline

a) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines (CEQG) - Tier 1 soil quality remediation guidelines for parkland land use (PL). The site specific factors used for determining the soil quality guideline include: soil ingestion, soil contact, and nutrient cycling.

b) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Tier 3 Risk based soil quality remedial objective (SQRO) for the Polaris Mine Site.

c) Field screening measurements are based on the Niton XLi 700 Series portable X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) elemental analyser.

d) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Tier 1 parkland land use interim remediation criteria, where soil quality gudelines based on the CCME soil protocol have not been developed yet.

e) The analytical method detection limit (MDL) exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Remediation Guidelines for parkland land use (PL).

**Samples TT-108-F-C, TT-109-F-C, TT-110-F-C, TT-111-F-C, and TT-112-F-D are recorded as TT-108-C, TT-109-C. TT-110-C, TT-111-C, and TT-112-D in ALS report T2239*

Table TT-11-2. Tailings Thickener Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

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Parameter	Units	Federal CCME Guidelines		Analytical Results								
		CEQG (PL)[a]	SQRO[b]									
Location				**Tailings Thickener**								
Sample ID				TT-192-F-C	TT-198-F-C	TT-199-F-D	TT-200-F-C	TT-201-F-D	TT-202-F-C	TT-203-F-D	TT-204-F-C	TT-205-W-C
Date Sampled				8/10/2003	8/15/2003	8/15/2003	8/15/2003	8/15/2003	8/15/2003	8/15/2003	8/15/2003	8/15/2003
Field Screen Pb [c] (ppm)				87.6	547.54	972.97	495.18	543.6	518.03	584.3	595.41	546.08
Field Screen Zn [c] (ppm)				491.55	4033.51	4818.04	3745.8	3114.82	3594.29	4012.64	4018	3157.78
Physical Tests												
pH		-	-	8.25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Metals												
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	<10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	**1750**	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	<0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	1.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	<100	<50	<100	81	1530	<100	***2140***	68	68
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	6.6	-	<0.05	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	<4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	<2[e]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	<2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	<5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	247	313	401	481	4790	293	2970	411	859

Associated ALS Analytics files: S8646, T2239, T2587, T2886, T4719, T6630

Notes:

Bold *Exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Guidelines for Parkland Land Use*

Bold *Exceeds the CCME Tier 3 Risk-Based Soil Soil Quality Remedial Objectives for the Polaris Mine Site*

<= Less than analytical method detection limit

"-" = No analysis performed for given parameter

a) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines (CEQG) - Tier 1 soil quality remediation guidelines for parkland land use (PL). The site specific factors used for determining the soil quality guideline include: soil ingestion, soil contact, and nutrient cycling.

b) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Tier 3 Risk based soil quality remedial objective (SQRO) for the Polaris Mine Site.

c) Field screening measurements are based on the Niton XLi 700 Series portable X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) elemental analyser.

d) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Tier 1 parkland land use interim remediation criteria, where soil quality gudelines based on the CCME soil protocol have not been developed yet.

e) The analytical method detection limit (MDL) exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Remediation Guidelines for parkland land use (PL).

Table TT-11-2. Tailings Thickener Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

Gartner Lee

		Location		Tailings Thickener							
		Sample ID		TT-206-W-C	TT-207-W-C	TT-208-W-C	TT-209-W-C	TT-210-W-C	TT-211-W-D	TT-212-W-D	TT-213-W-Q* (duplicate of TT-212-W-D)
		Date Sampled		8/15/2003	8/15/2003	8/15/2003	8/15/2003	8/15/2003	8/15/2003	8/15/2003	8/15/2003
		Field Screen Pb [c] (ppm)		606.34	635.34	537.52	587.84	540.97	561.56	561.56	502.05
		Field Screen Zn [c] (ppm)		3372.76	3265.26	3174.71	3804.01	3326.74	3035.47	3035.47	2879.27
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME Guidelines**		**Analytical Results**							
		CEQG (PL)[a]	**SQRO[b]**								
Physical Tests											
pH		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Metals											
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	<50	61	880	66	210	880	<100	120
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	6.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	299	402	3910	514	1310	6940	699	413

Associated ALS Analytics files: S8646, T2239, T2587, T2886, T4719, T6630

Notes:

Bold *Exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Guidelines for Parkland Land Use*

Bold *Exceeds the CCME Tier 3 Risk-Based Soil Soil Quality Remedial Objectives for the Polaris Mine Site*

<= Less than analytical method detection limit

"-" = No analysis performed for given parameter

a) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines (CEQG) - Tier 1 soil quality remediation guidelines for parkland land use (PL). The site specific factors used for determining the soil quality guideline include: soil ingestion, soil contact, and nutrient cycling.

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c) Field screening measurements are based on the Niton XLi 700 Series portable X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) elemental analyser.

d) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Tier 1 parkland land use interim remediation criteria, where soil quality gudelines based on the CCME soil protocol have not been developed yet.

e) The analytical method detection limit (MDL) exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Remediation Guidelines for parkland land use (PL).

**Sample TT-213-W-Q is recorded incorrectly as TT-213-F-Q in ALS report T6630*

Table TT-11-3. Tailings Thickener Area Quality Assurance and Quality Control Remediation Soil Samples

Gartner Lee	Parameter	Pb		Zn		EPH		Total Pb			Total Zn		
	Relative Percent Difference (RpD)[a]	MDL	PQL[b]	MDL	PQL[b]	MDL	PQL[b]	Sample Pb	Duplicate Pb	RpD[a] (%)	Sample Zn	Duplicate Zn	RpD[a] (%)
Sample ID	**Duplicate ID**												
On Site Field Screening Duplicates													
TT-56-I-D	TT-214-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	2018	2059	2.0	3987	4038	1.3
TT-60-I-D	TT-215-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	263	127	na	663	272	na
TT-66-I-D	TT-216-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	551	567	2.8	1827	1882	3.0
TT-84-I-D	TT-217-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	119	170	na	188	309	na
TT-102-I-D	TT-218-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	165	190	na	336	335	na
TT-107-I-D	TT-219-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	286	312	na	712	704	na
TT-113-I-D	TT-220-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	144	114	na	345	354	na
TT-130-I-D	TT-221-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	128	146	na	238	334	na
TT-134-I-D	TT-222-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	136	148	na	234	296	na
TT-146-I-D	TT-223-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	4102	4382	6.6	24625	24151	1.9
TT-173-F-C	TT-190-F-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	164	136.43	na	296.33	314.24	na
TT-179-W-C	TT-225-W-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	156.21	158.75	na	416.14	380.68	na
TT-185-W-D	TT-191-W-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	121.23	106.06	na	346.87	212.49	na
TT-189-W-C	TT-226-W-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	126.85	139.87	na	355.86	324	na
TT-198-F-C	TT-227-F-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	547.54	585.16	6.6	4033.51	3914.66	3.0
Analytical Laboratory Duplicates													
TT-212-W-D	TT-213-W-Q	100	500	2	10	-	-	<100	120	na	699	413	na
Analytical Laboratory Replicates													
TT-168-I-C	QC# 348009	-	-	-	-	200	1000	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-173-F-C	QC# 349326	50	250	1	5	-	-	<50	<50	na	130	149	13.6
TT-199-F-D	QC# 364669	100	500	2	10	-	-	<100	<100	na	401	452	na
TT-212-W-D	QC# 364670	100	500	2	10	-	-	<100	120	na	699	351	na

Notes:

Bold *RpD value is greater than or equal to 50% and the concentrations of both samples are greater than the practical quantitation limit (PQL)*

"na" = RpD value is not applicable because one or both results are less than the practical quantitation limit (PQL).

"-" = no result for given parameter

"<" = less than analytical method detection limit

*a) Relative Percent Difference = RpD = (Difference/Average) * 100*

*b) Practical Quantitation Limit (PQL)=5 * Method Detection Limit (MDL)*

Table TT-11-3. Tailings Thickener Area Quality Assurance and Quality Control Remediation Soil Samples

Gartner Lee	Parameter	Pb		Zn		EPH C_{10}-C_{19}			EPH C_{19}-C_{32}		
	Relative Percent Difference (RpD)[a]	MDL	PQL[b]	MDL	PQL[b]	Sample EPH C_{10}-C_{19}	Duplicate EPH C_{10}-C_{19}	RpD[a] (%)	Sample EPH C_{19}-C_{32}	Duplicate EPH C_{19}-C_{32}	RpD[a] (%)
Sample ID	**Duplicate ID**										
On Site Field Screening Duplicates											
TT-56-I-D	TT-214-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-60-I-D	TT-215-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-66-I-D	TT-216-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-84-I-D	TT-217-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-102-I-D	TT-218-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-107-I-D	TT-219-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-113-I-D	TT-220-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-130-I-D	TT-221-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-134-I-D	TT-222-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-146-I-D	TT-223-I-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-173-F-C	TT-190-F-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-179-W-C	TT-225-W-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-185-W-D	TT-191-W-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-189-W-C	TT-226-W-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-198-F-C	TT-227-F-Q	70	350	150	750	-	-	-	-	-	-
Analytical Laboratory Duplicates											
TT-212-W-D	TT-213-W-Q	100	500	2	10						
Analytical Laboratory Replicates											
TT-168-I-C	QC# 348009	-	-	-	-	<200	<200	na	414	467	na
TT-173-F-C	QC# 349326	50	250	1	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-199-F-D	QC# 364669	100	500	2	10	-	-	-	-	-	-
TT-212-W-D	QC# 364670	100	500	2	10	-	-	-	-	-	-

Notes:

Bold *RpD value is greater than or equal to 50% and the concentrations of both samples are greater than the practical quantitation limit (1*

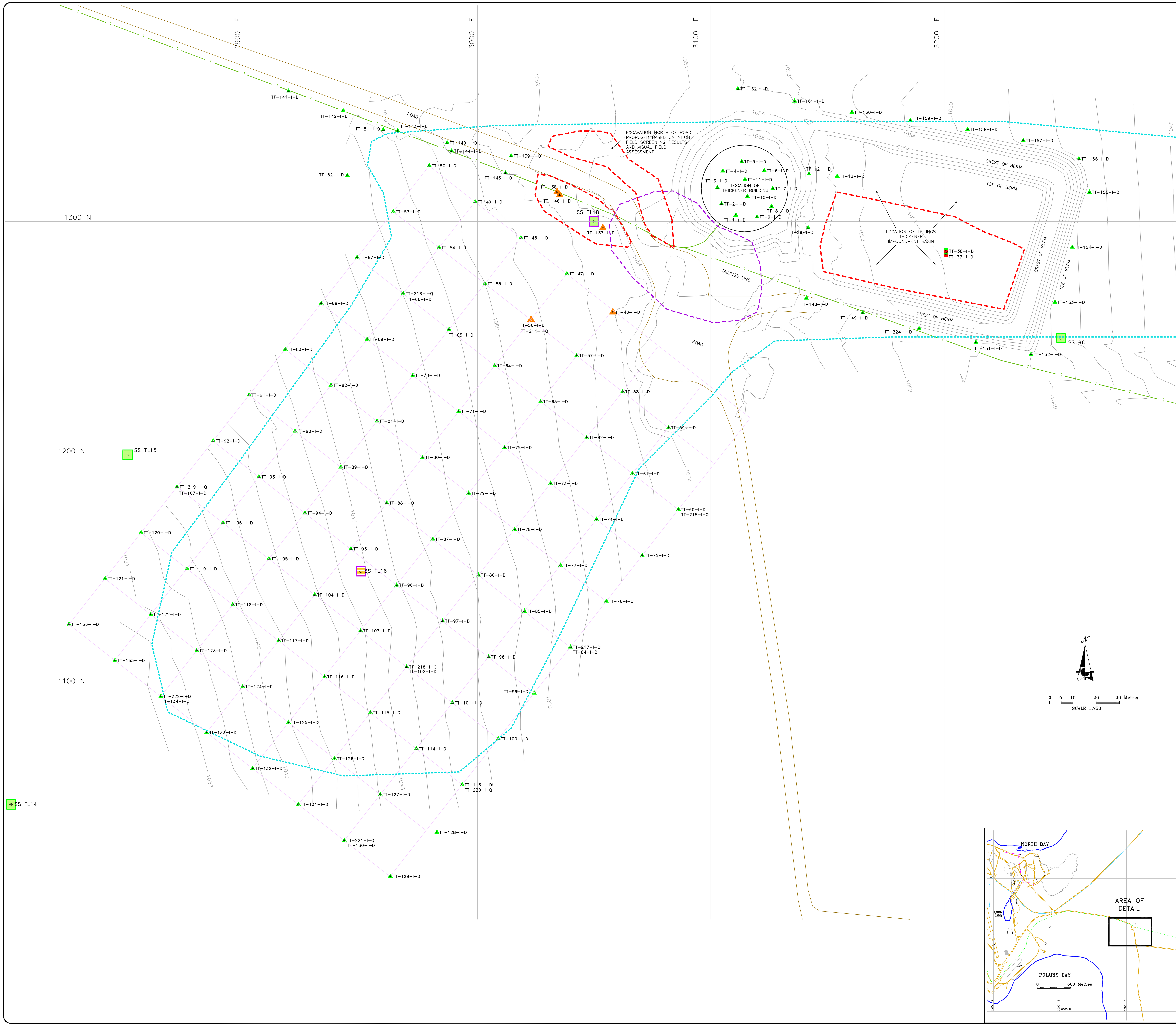
"na" = RpD value is not applicable because one or both results are less than the practical quantitation limit (PQL).

"-" = no result for given parameter

"<" = less than analytical method detection limit

*a) Relative Percent Difference = RpD = (Difference/Average) * 100*

*b) Practical Quantitation Limit (PQL)=5 * Method Detection Limit (MDL)*



LEGEND:

- LOCATION OF EXISTING STRUCTURE AND/OR FACILITY
- TAILINGS LINE
- ROADS
- LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION
- EXCAVATION GRID
- GROUND CONTOURS BEFORE REMEDIATION (m)
- AREA OF CONCERN FOR HYDROCARBON CONTAMINATION FROM THE 1999–2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT (ESA)
- AREA OF CONCERN FOR METALS CONTAMINATION FROM THE 1999–2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT (ESA)
- SS TL18 — SURFACE SAMPLE (1999/2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT)
- TT–55–I–D — FIELD SCREENING SURFACE SAMPLE (2003)
- TT–38–I–D — CONFIRMATORY FLOOR OR WALL SAMPLE

2003 SAMPLE NAMING CONVENTION

TT–55–I–D: AREA – SAMPLE ID – LOCATION – TYPE

- TYPE: C= COMPOSITE SAMPLE FLOOR–5 SAMPLES IN A 25x25m AREA, WALL–5 SAMPLES ALONG 25m OF WALL; D= DISCRETE SAMPLE; Q= DUPLICATED QUALITY ASSURANCE/ QUALITY CONTROL SAMPLE
- LOCATION: F= FLOOR SAMPLE; I= INTERMEDIATE FLOOR SAMPLE; W= WALL SAMPLE

ZINC CONCENTRATION IN SOILS (1999 & 2000 DATA)	LEAD CONCENTRATION IN SOILS (1999 & 2000 DATA)
0–1000 PPM	0–1,000 PPM
1000–5000 PPM	1,000–2,000 PPM
5000–10,000 PPM	> 2,000 PPM
>10,000 PPM	

EPH CONCENTRATION IN SOILS (1999 & 2000 DATA)

- EPH 10–19 OR EPH 19–32 CONCENTRATION IN SOIL GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 1,000 mg/kg
- EPH 10–19 OR EPH 19–32 CONCENTRATION IN SOIL LESS THAN 1,000 mg/kg

2003 FIELD SCREENING RESULTS

- FIELD SCREENING RESULTS USING NITON XRF ANALYZER INDICATE LEAD CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL < 1,500 ppm AND/OR ZINC CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL < 8,500 ppm
- FIELD SCREENING RESULTS USING NITON XRF ANALYZER INDICATE LEAD CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL ≥ 1,500 ppm AND/OR ZINC CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL ≥ 8,500 ppm
- SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 2,000 mg/kg LEAD
- SAMPLE CONTAINS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 10,000 mg/kg ZINC

NOTE:
THIS IS AREA 11 SHOWN ON FIGURE 1 "CONTAMINATED SOILS REMEDIATION PROGRESS PLAN, DECEMBER 31, 2003"

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TAILINGS THICKENER AREA CONDITIONS BEFORE REMEDIATION (DECEMBER 31, 2003)

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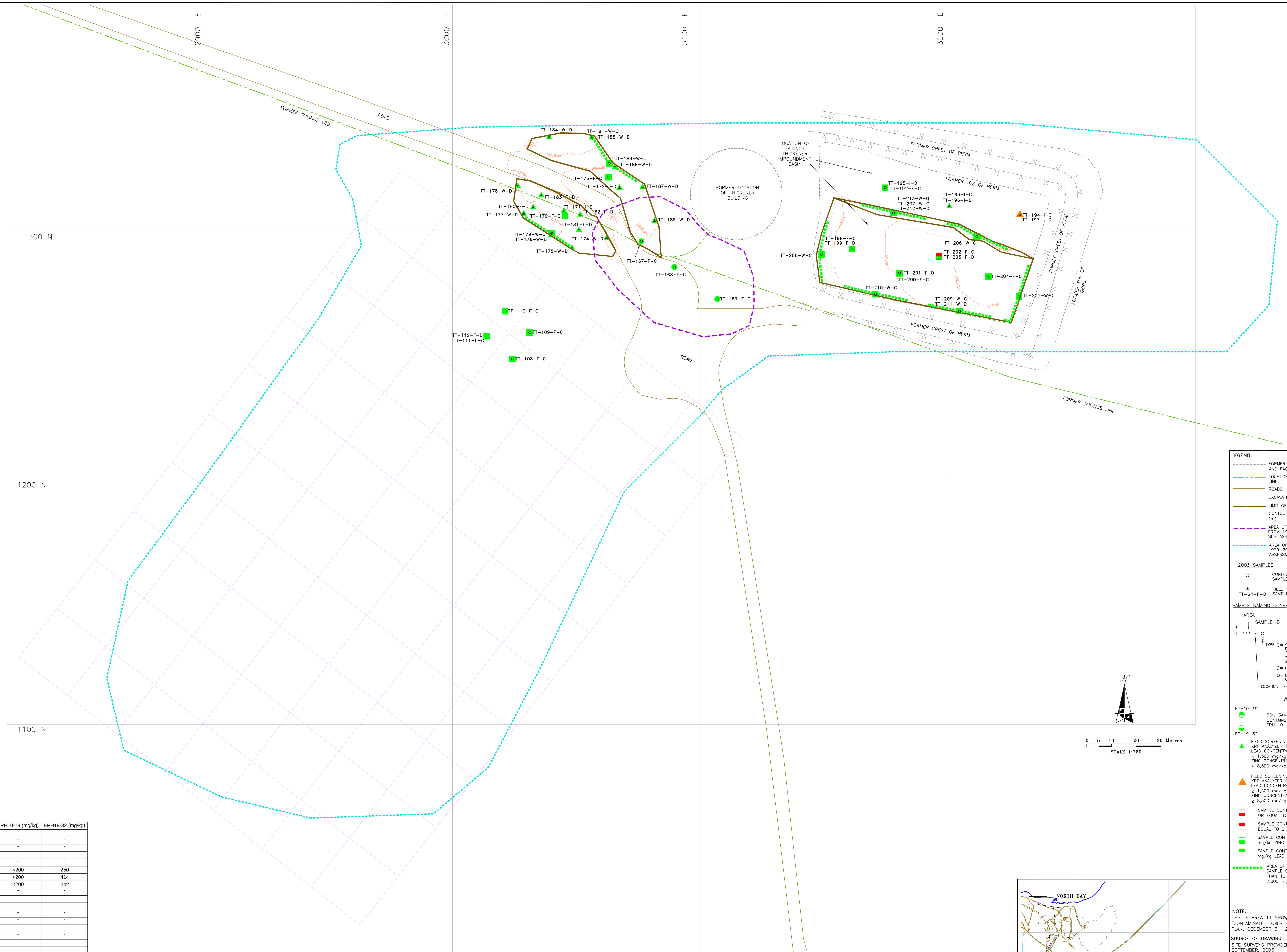


2003 CONFIRMATION SAMPLES

WALL SAMPLES

Sample ID	Pb-N (mg/kg)	Zn-N (mg/kg)	Pb (mg/kg)	Zn (mg/kg)
TT-174-W-D	616.6	1827.06	-	-
TT-175-W-D	150.23	381.45	-	-
TT-176-W-D	239.83	1272.42	-	-
TT-177-W-D	123.35	291.47	-	-
TT-178-W-D	148.4	317.41	-	-
TT-179-W-C	-	-	110	624
TT-184-W-D	352.84	908.66	-	-
TT-185-W-D	121.23	346.87	-	-
TT-186-W-D	108.52	265.73	-	-
TT-187-W-D	95.67	289.49	-	-
TT-188-W-D	124.24	337.58	-	-
TT-189-W-C	-	-	<100	147
TT-191-W-Q Duplicate of TT-189-W-C	106.06	212.49	-	-
TT-205-W-C	-	-	68	859
TT-206-W-C	-	-	-50	299
TT-207-W-C	-	-	61	402
TT-208-W-C	-	-	880	3910
TT-209-W-C	-	-	66	514
TT-210-W-C	-	-	210	1310
TT-211-W-D	-	-	880	6940
TT-212-W-D	-	-	<100	699
TT-213-W-Q Duplicate of TT-212-W-D	-	-	120	413

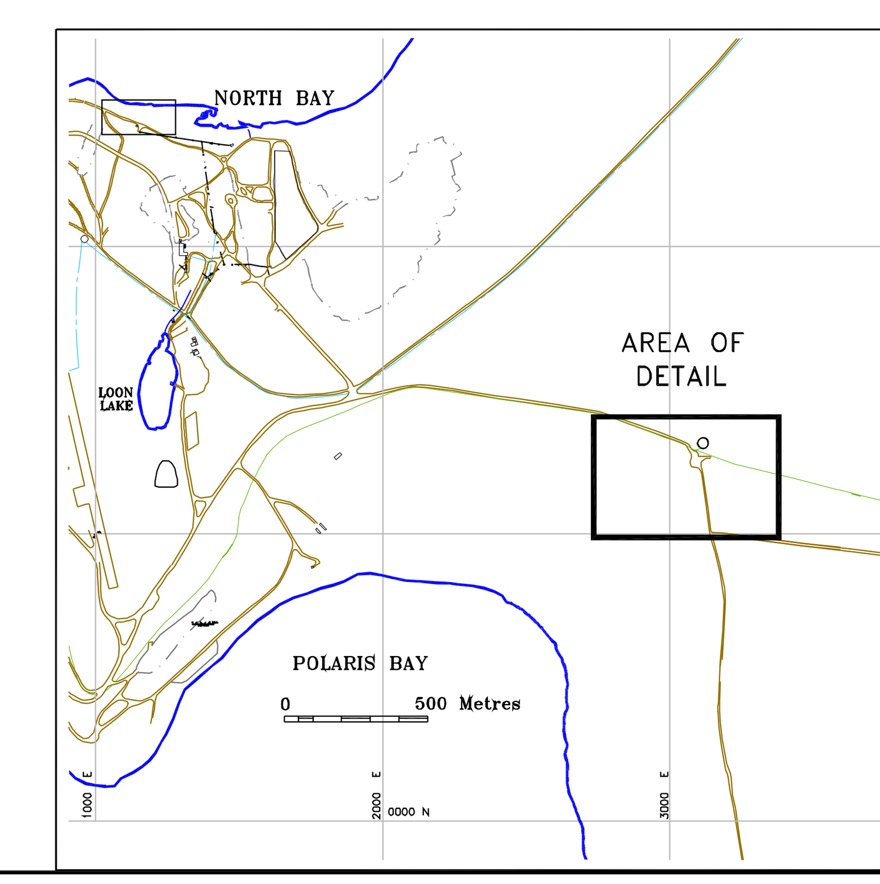
FLOOR SAMPLES

Sample ID	Pb-N (mg/kg)	Zn-N (mg/kg)	Pb (mg/kg)	Zn (mg/kg)	EPH10-19 (mg/kg)	EPH19-32 (mg/kg)
TT-108-F-C	-	-	186	700	-	-
TT-109-F-C	-	-	794	3090	-	-
TT-110-F-C	-	-	707	1940	-	-
TT-111-F-C	-	-	567	1570	-	-
TT-112-F-D	-	-	523	1300	-	-
TT-167-F-C	-	-	-	-	<200	250
TT-168-F-C	-	-	-	-	<200	414
TT-169-F-C	-	-	-	-	<200	242
TT-170-F-C	-	-	66	285	-	-
TT-171-I-D	157.53	406.68	-	-	-	-
TT-172-I-D	139.56	219.4	-	-	-	-
TT-173-F-C	-	-	<50	130	-	-
TT-180-F-D	138.19	362.62	-	-	-	-
TT-181-F-D	261.31	748.06	-	-	-	-
TT-182-F-D	286.81	1209.61	-	-	-	-
TT-183-F-D	147.53	641.83	-	-	-	-
TT-192-F-C	-	-	<100	247	-	-
TT-193-I-C	1271.25	5761.06	-	-	-	-
TT-194-I-C	1377.38	8643	-	-	-	-
TT-195-I-D	27.69	280.45	-	-	-	-
TT-196-I-D	826.84	5009.6	-	-	-	-
TT-197-I-D	1030.98	3189.89	-	-	-	-
TT-198-F-C	-	-	<50	313	-	-
TT-227-F-Q Duplicate of TT-198-F-C	585.16	3914.66	-	-	-	-
TT-199-F-D	-	-	<100	401	-	-
TT-200-F-C	-	-	81	481	-	-
TT-201-F-D	-	-	1530	4790	-	-
TT-202-F-C	-	-	<100	293	-	-
TT-203-F-D	-	-	2140	2970	-	-
TT-204-F-C	-	-	68	411	-	-
TT-224-I-D	1383	6075	-	-	-	-

RESULTS IN RED INDICATE SAMPLE CONTAINING
≥ 2000 mg/kg LEAD OR ≥ 10,000 mg/kg ZINC

NOTES:

<200, <50, <100	Less than detection limit
-	Sample not analyzed
Pb-N Zn-N	Lead or Zinc concentrations - Field measurements from the Niton portable X-ray fluorescence (XRF) elemental analyses
Pb Zn	Lead or Zinc concentrations obtained from ALS analytical laboratory
EHP10-19	Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbon (Carbon fraction 10-19) concentration obtained from ALS analytical laboratory
EPH19-32	Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbon (Carbon fraction 19-32) concentration obtained from ALS analytical laboratory



LEGEND:

- FORMER LOCATION OF BUILDINGS AND FACILITES (REMOVED)
- LOCATION OF FORMER TAILINGS LINE
- ROADS
- EXCAVATION GRID
- LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION
- CONTOURS – BASE OF EXCAVATION (m)
- AREA OF HYDROCARBON CONCERN FROM 1999–2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT
- AREA OF METAL CONCERN FROM 1999–2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT

2003 SAMPLES

- CONFIRMATORY FLOOR OR WALL SAMPLE
- TT–64–F–D FIELD SCREENING SURFACE SAMPLE

SAMPLE NAMING CONVENTION

TT–333–F–C

- AREA
- SAMPLE ID
- LOCATION F= FLOOR SAMPLE; I= INTERMEDIATE FLOOR SAMPLE; W= WALL SAMPLE
- TYPE C= COMPOSITE SAMPLE FLOOR–5 SAMPLES IN A 25x25m AREA WALL–5 SAMPLES ALONG 25m OF WALL; D= DISCRETE SAMPLE; Q= DUPLICATED QUALITY ASSURANCE/ QUALITY CONTROL SAMPLE

EPH10–19 / EPH19–32: SOIL SAMPLE FROM EXCAVATION CONTAINS LESS THAN 1,000 mg/kg EPH 10–19 OR EPH 19–32

FIELD SCREENING RESULTS USING NITON XRF ANALYZER INDICATE LEAD CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL < 1,500 mg/kg AND/OR ZINC CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL < 8,500 mg/kg

FIELD SCREENING RESULTS USING NITON XRF ANALYZER INDICATE LEAD CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL ≥ 1,500 mg/kg AND/OR ZINC CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL ≥ 8,500 mg/kg

SAMPLE CONTAINS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 10,000 mg/kg ZINC

SAMPLE CONTAINS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 2,000 mg/kg LEAD

SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 10,000 mg/kg ZINC

SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 2,000 mg/kg LEAD

AREA OF WALL COMPOSITE WALL SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 10,000 mg/kg ZINC OR 2,000 mg/kg LEAD

NOTE:
THIS IS AREA 11 SHOWN ON FIGURE 1 "CONTAMINATED SOILS REMEDIATION PROGRESS PLAN, DECEMBER 31, 2003"

SOURCE OF DRAWING:
SITE SURVEYS PROVIDED BY SNC LAVALIN SEPTEMBER, 2003

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Appendix E

Polaris Mine Operations Contaminated Soil Remediation Close Out Report: Former Fuel Bladder Storage Area

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December 31, 2003

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Dear Mr. Donald:

Re: 23845 – Polaris Mine Operations Contaminated Soil Remediation
Close Out Report: Former Fuel Bladder Storage Area

BACKGROUND

The former fuel bladder storage area (shown as Area 12 in Figure 1: *Contaminated Soils Remediation Progress Plan, December 31, 2003*) is located to the east of the south end of the airstrip. The fuel storage area was used during construction of the mine facility and was decommissioned in late 1981. Anecdotal information indicated that a spill incident occurred in this area late in 1981.

The Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) conducted in 1999 and 2000 found petroleum hydrocarbon contamination within the saturated interval of the active permafrost layer, generally from 0.4 m to 0.6 m below ground level to the depth of continuous permafrost at 0.8 m to 1.0 m. The contamination was found to extend south of the fuel bladder storage area and down a south-facing slope toward the tailings line, terminating at the top of the operational landfill. Figure BLA-12-1 shows the location and results of testpits from the ESA and the preliminary boundary of the targeted area for remediation.

The depth of hydrocarbon contamination identified during the ESA testpitting at the former fuel bladder storage area ranged between 0.4 m to 0.9 m below the surface. Testpitting down the slope and adjacent to the tailings line at the operational landfill indicated that the hydrocarbon contamination extended to a depth of 1.0 m.

METHODOLOGY

Delineation

The preliminary boundary of the remedial area, as identified in the ESA, was demarcated in the field with survey stakes and the surface elevation was surveyed by SNC Lavalin. To direct the field screening sampling of soil and excavation activities, a 25 m x 25 m sampling grid was established over the former fuel bladder storage area (upper bladder excavation). A 10 m x 10 m sampling grid was established on the south-facing slope, and at the operational landfill (lower bladder excavation).

Delineation of the hydrocarbon impacted area was accomplished through screening level sampling of the surface and subsurface material in the targeted area for remediation. GLL sampled the soil in accordance with standard GLL and TCL sampling procedures and protocols.

Frozen near-surface soils (depth of 0 to 30cm) were broken up using a D10 bulldozer with a ripper tooth . Soil samples for field screening were collected by hand and deposited into a sealable polyethylene bag. Ripping of soil within the targeted area for remediation commenced April 23, 2003. Eight discrete soil samples were collected in each 25 m x 25 m grid cell over the former fuel bladder storage area.

Commencing May 3, 2003, subsurface sampling was performed in boreholes at a nominal 10m spacing along the south-facing slope and at the operational landfill. Boreholes were advanced with an air rotary quarry drill. Boreholes were drilled to a depth up to 1.5 m. Composite soil samples were collected at 0.5 m intervals of the drill returns that accumulated at the mouth of the borehole. Following the collection of each sample the surface surrounding the borehole was cleared of the drill cuttings to expose fresh snow.

To delineate hydrocarbon contamination for excavation the visual appearance and odour of the soil was used, along with field screening measurements of the concentrations of organic vapours in the soil samples. The field screening measurements were obtained using a portable photo-ionization detector (PID) to measure the concentrations of organic vapours in the headspace of the sample bags. Subsets of the samples field screened on site were sent to the analytical laboratory, Aurora Laboratory Services Ltd. (ALS) of Vancouver, BC, to verify the presence and nature of the hydrocarbon compounds. Based on results of the field screening sampling, GLL modified-relocated the area to be remediated and excavation commenced.

Excavation

On April 28, 2003 excavation of the upper fuel bladder area commenced, based on revised boundaries provided by GLL to TCL and SNC Lavalin on April 25, 2003. The ripped soil within the excavation boundaries was pushed up into a stockpile using the D10 bulldozer and loaded out into trucks with an excavator. Initially, a swath approximately 10 m wide inside the excavation limits was removed with the bucket of an excavator. The upper bladder excavation was undertaken in five lifts. Approximately 30 cm thickness of soil was removed with each lift. Screening level sampling was undertaken at the base of each lift to re-define the remedial boundary for excavation.

Excavation limits for the lower fuel bladder area were provided to TCL and SNC Lavalin on May 8, 2003. Drill results indicated that the hydrocarbon contamination extended to a depth of 1.0 m. Excavation of the lower fuel bladder area was accomplished by the removal of the upper 1 m lift using the D10 bulldozer, prior to GLL undertaking additional field screening sampling, and directing the removal of discrete areas of residual elevated hydrocarbon contaminated soil.

The limits of the excavation are shown on Figure BLA-12-2. A volume of approximately 12,500 m^3 was excavated from the former fuel bladder storage area. This material was disposed of in the underground mine workings in accordance with regulatory approvals.

Confirmatory Sampling

Soil samples were collected at the excavation limits and submitted to ALS for extractable petroleum hydrocarbons (EPH) and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH). Composite samples were collected from 25 m x 25 m areas of the floor of the excavation and over a length of 25 m on the wall of the excavation. Additional excavation was undertaken in areas that did not meet the soil quality remediation objectives (SQROs). Upon receipt of soil results that met the SQROs the final excavation limits were surveyed and the area backfilled to inhibit erosion.

ANALYTICAL RESULTS

Analytical laboratory results for Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbons (EPH) and Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH) are summarized in Tables BLA-12-1 and BLA 12-2 respectively, along with the approved Polaris Mine SQROs for petroleum hydrocarbons. A total of fifty three (53) remediation confirmation soil samples were submitted for the former fuel bladder storage area and returned concentrations below the SQROs: twenty nine (29) composite floors, five (5) discrete floors, fifteen (15) composite walls, and four (4) QA/QC duplicate samples. The soil quality results and the lateral limits of the excavation are shown on Figure BLA-12-2.

All confirmatory soil sample results from the former fuel bladder storage area meet the SQROs for Polaris Mine.

Quality Assurance and Quality Control (QA/QC)

QA/QC measures associated with collecting and analysing soil were implemented during the remediation of the bladder area, including submission of blind duplicates to the analytical laboratory, analysis of analytical laboratory replicates, and comparison of analytical laboratory EPH results with the portable photoionization detector (PID) organic vapour headspace measurements.

Relative percent differences (RpDs) have been calculated and compiled in Table BLA-12-3 for the analytical laboratory duplicate results and the laboratory replicate results. All of the samples returned results below the practical quantitation limit in which case the RpD value has been identified as "na" (not available) in Table BLA-12-3.

CONCLUSION

Based on confirmatory sampling, consistent with good practice and the approved site specific sampling procedures and protocols, the remediation of the former fuel bladder storage area has been completed to meet the Polaris Mine remedial targets, as documented in the approved Polaris Mine Decommissioning and Remediation Plan, March 2001.

LIMITATIONS

This report has been prepared by Gartner Lee Limited and the information in this report is intended for the use of Teck Cominco Metals Limited during the decommissioning and reclamation program currently underway at the Polaris Mine Site. Any use which a third party makes of this report, or any reliance on or decisions made on the basis of the information in this report is the responsibility of such third parties. Gartner Lee Limited accepts no responsibility for damages, if any, suffered by the third party, based on the use of or reliance on any information contained in this report.

The scope of Gartner Lee Limited's work was limited to that described in this report. The confirmation of environmental conditions at the site of the remedial work is based on sampling at specific wall and floor locations within the excavation limits. Gartner Lee Limited has used judgement in the interpretation of the available information but subsurface physical and/or chemical characteristics may vary between or beyond sampling locations. Gartner Lee Limited is

not a guarantor of the environmental condition of the site but warrants only that its work was undertaken and its report prepared in a manner consistent with the level of skill and diligence normally exercised by competent environmental professionals practicing in the Nunavut Territory.

Yours very truly,
GARTNER LEE LIMITED

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ATTACHMENTS

Tables

Table BLA-12-1: Former Fuel Bladder Storage Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples Hydrocarbon
Table BLA-12-2: Former Fuel Bladder Storage Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)
Table BLA-12-3: Former Fuel Bladder Storage Area Quality Assurance and Quality Control Remediation Soil Samples

Figures

Figure BLA-12-1: Former Fuel Bladder Storage Area Conditions, Before Remediation (December 31, 2003)
Figure BLA-12-2: Former Fuel Bladder Storage Area Conditions, After Remediation (December 31, 2003)

Table BLA-12-1. Former Fuel Bladder Storage Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Hydrocarbons

Gartner Lee		Location	Bladder							
		Sample ID	BLA-162-I-D	BLA-249-F-C	BLA-252-F-C	BLA-253-F-C	BLA-254-F-C	BLA-255-F-C	BLA-256-I-C	BLA-260-W-C
		Date Sampled	5/2/2003	5/14/2003	5/14/2003	5/14/2003	5/14/2003	5/14/2003	5/14/2003	5/14/2003
		Field Screen (ppm)[b]	30	75	65	60	60	60	60	55
Parameter	**Units**	**Polaris Mine SQROs[a]**	**Analytical Results**							
Physical Tests										
Moisture	%	-	13.1	11.4	14.8	6.5	24.6	13.4	5.5	31
Extractable Hydrocarbons										
EPH C_{10}-C_{19}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	<200	617	621	385	<200	<200	913	<200
EPH C_{19}-C_{32}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	219
LEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	<200	-	-	-	-	<200	-	-
HEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	<200	-	-	-	-	<200	-	-

Associated ALS Analytics Files: T3179, S9893, S9892, S9797, S9214, S8818, S8240, S7847.

Notes:

Bold *Concentration exceeds the Soil Quality Remediation Objective (SQRO) for the Polaris Mine Site.*

"<" = less than analytical method detection limit.

"-" = no result for given parameter, or no guideline.

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a) The Soil Quality Remediation Objective for the Polaris Mine Site is based on the Yukon Territorial Contaminated Sites Regulation (CSR) for Parkland Land Use .

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e) LEPH/HEPH is determined by subtracting polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) from EPH, therefore use of the EPH remediation objective is conservative.

Table BLA-12-1. Former Fuel Bladder Storage Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Hydrocarbons

Gartner Lee		Location	Bladder							
		Sample ID	BLA-261-I-C	BLA-262-F-Q (duplicate of BLA-255-F-C)	BLA-263-I-Q (duplicate of BLA-256-I-C)	BLA-308-W-C	BLA-310-W-C	BLA-311-F-C	BLA-312-W-C	BLA-313-F-C
		Date Sampled	5/14/2003	5/14/2003	5/14/2003	5/28/2003	5/28/2003	5/28/2003	5/28/2003	5/28/2003
		Field Screen (ppm)[b]	50	60	60	na	50	na	40	na
Parameter	**Units**	**Polaris Mine SQROs[a]**	**Analytical Results**							
Physical Tests										
Moisture	%	-	7.4	15.7	10.9	9.3	7.2	11.1	9.7	9.9
Extractable Hydrocarbons										
EPH C_{10}-C_{19}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	825	<200	788	633	<200	256	263	<200
EPH C_{19}-C_{32}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200
LEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	<200	-	-	-	-	-	-
HEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	<200	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Table BLA-12-1. Former Fuel Bladder Storage Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Hydrocarbons

Gartner Lee		Location	Bladder							
		Sample ID	BLA-314-F-C	BLA-315-F-C	BLA-316-F-C	BLA-317-F-C	BLA-318-F-C	Bla-332-F-C	Bla-333-F-C	Bla-334-F-C
		Date Sampled	5/28/2003	5/28/2003	5/28/2003	5/28/2003	5/28/2003	6/7/2003	6/7/2003	6/7/2003
		Field Screen (ppm)[b]	35	na	35	na	30	5	0	0
Parameter	**Units**	**Polaris Mine SQROs[a]**	**Analytical Results**							
Physical Tests										
Moisture	%	-	9.4	10.4	8.9	11	12.7	8.3	11.3	13.5
Extractable Hydrocarbons										
EPH C_{10}-C_{19}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	576	385	<200	376	215	894	<200	<200
EPH C_{19}-C_{32}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200
LEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	-	<200	-	-	-	-	-
HEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	-	<200	-	-	-	-	-

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Table BLA-12-1. Former Fuel Bladder Storage Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Hydrocarbons

Gartner Lee		Location	Bladder							
		Sample ID	Bla-336-F-C	Bla-338-F-C	BLA-339-F-C	BLA-341-W-C	BLA-342-F-C	BLA-343-F-C	BLA-344-F-C	BLA-345-W-C
		Date Sampled	6/7/2003	6/7/2003	6/14/2003	6/14/2003	6/14/2003	6/25/2003	6/25/2003	6/14/2003
		Field Screen (ppm)[b]	10	0	0	0	0	24	0	0
Parameter	**Units**	**Polaris Mine SQROs[a]**	**Analytical Results**							
Physical Tests										
Moisture	%	-	11	7	9.9	5.6	6.2	9.2	9.9	6.2
Extractable Hydrocarbons										
EPH C_{10}-C_{19}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	214	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	296	<200
EPH C_{19}-C_{32}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	<200	<200	<200	250	<200	<200	<200	<200
LEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
HEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Associated ALS Analytics Files: T3179, S9893, S9892, S9797, S9214, S8818, S8240, S7847.

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Table BLA-12-1. Former Fuel Bladder Storage Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Hydrocarbons

Gartner Lee		Location	Bladder							
		Sample ID	BLA-346-W-C	BLA-348-W-C	BLA-349-W-C	BLA-350-W-C	BLA-351-W-C	BLA-357-F-D	BLA-358-F-D	BLA-359-F-C
		Date Sampled	6/14/2003	6/14/2003	6/14/2003	6/14/2003	6/14/2003	6/25/2003	6/25/2003	6/25/2003
		Field Screen (ppm)[b]	0	0	0	0	0	10	10	0
Parameter	**Units**	**Polaris Mine SQROs[a]**	**Analytical Results**							
Physical Tests										
Moisture	%	-	10	7.7	7.3	8.1	9	11.7	6.5	7.8
Extractable Hydrocarbons										
EPH C_{10}-C_{19}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200
EPH C_{19}-C_{32}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200
LEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	<200	-	-	-	-	-	-
HEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	<200	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Notes:

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"-" = no result for given parameter, or no guideline.

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c) EPH stands for extractable petroleum hydrocarbon.

d) LEPH and HEPH stand for light and heavy extractable petroleum hydrocarbons.

e) LEPH/HEPH is determined by subtracting polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) from EPH, therefore use of the EPH remediation objective is conservative.

Table BLA-12-1. Former Fuel Bladder Storage Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Hydrocarbons

Gartner Lee		Location	Bladder							
		Sample ID	BLA-360-F-C	BLA-361-F-D	BLA-362-F-D	BLA-363-F-Q (duplicate of BLA-361-F-D)	BLA-364-F-Q (duplicate of BLA-344-F-C)	BLA-374-F-C	BLA-375-W-C	BLA-376-F-C
		Date Sampled	6/25/2003	6/25/2003	6/25/2003	6/25/2003	6/25/2003	6/28/2003	6/28/2003	6/28/2003
		Field Screen (ppm)[b]	25	5	25	na	na	30	25	25
Parameter	**Units**	**Polaris Mine SQROs[a]**	**Analytical Results**							
Physical Tests										
Moisture	%	-	9.6	10.9	9.3	10.9	10.4	0.1	0.1	0.1
Extractable Hydrocarbons										
EPH C_{10}-C_{19}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	748	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	213	<200
EPH C_{19}-C_{32}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200
LEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	-	-	-	-	<200	-	-
HEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	-	-	-	-	<200	-	-

Associated ALS Analytics Files: T3179, S9893, S9892, S9797, S9214, S8818, S8240, S7847.

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Table BLA-12-1. Former Fuel Bladder Storage Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Hydrocarbons

Gartner Lee		Location	Bladder					
		Sample ID	BLA-377-F-C	BLA-378-W-C	BLA-379-F-C	BLA-380-F-D	BLA-381-W-C	BLA-382-W-C
		Date Sampled	6/28/2003	6/28/2003	8/22/2003	8/22/2003	8/22/2003	8/22/2003
		Field Screen (ppm)[b]	25	10	10	10	15	10
Parameter	**Units**	**Polaris Mine SQROs[a]**	**Analytical Results**					
Physical Tests								
Moisture	%	-	0.1	0.1	11.4	21.6	10	11.2
Extractable Hydrocarbons								
EPH C_{10}-C_{19}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	<200	<200	<200	<200	443	<200
EPH C_{19}-C_{32}[c]	mg/kg	1000[e]	<200	221	232	<200	<200	<200
LEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	-	-	-	-	-
HEPH[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	-	-	-	-	-

Associated ALS Analytics Files: T3179, S9893, S9892, S9797, S9214, S8818, S8240, S7847.

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Table BLA-12-2. Former Fuel Bladder Storage Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)

Gartner Lee	Polaris Mine	Location	Bladder					
		ALS Sample ID	BLA-162-I-D	BLA-255-F-C	BLA-262-F-Q (duplicate of BLA-255-F-C)	BLA-316-F-C	BLA-348-W-C	BLA-374-F-C
		Date Sampled	5/2/2003	5/14/2003	5/14/2003	5/28/2003	6/14/2003	6/28/2003
Parameter	**Remediation Objectives**	**Units**	**Analytical Results**					
Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons	**CEQG [b]**							
Acenaphthene	-	mg/kg	<0.04	<0.04	<0.04	<0.04	<0.04	<0.04
Acenaphthylene	-	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Anthracene	-	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Benz(a)anthracene	1[c]	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Benzo(a)pyrene	0.7	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	1[c]	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Benzo(g,h,I)perylene	-	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Benzo(k)fluoranthene	1[c]	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Chrysene	-	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene	1[c]	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Fluoranthene	-	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Fluorene	-	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Indeno(1,2,3,-c,d)pyrene	1[c]	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Napthalene	0.6	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Phenanthrene	5[c]	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Pyrene	10[c]	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05

Associated ALS Analytics Files: T3179, S9893, S9892, S9797, S9214, S8818, S8240, S7847.

Notes:

a) "<" = less than analytical method detection limit.

b) CEQG = Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines for Parkland Land Use.

c) This interim remediation criterion (CCME 1991) was put in place prior to the development of the soil protocol (CCME 1996). The criterion should be used until superseded by a full guideline.

Table BLA-12-3. Former Fuel Bladder Storage Area Quality Assurance and Quality Control Remediation Soil Samples

Gartner Lee	Parameter	EPH C_{10}-C_{19}		EPH C_{19}-C_{32}		EPH C_{10}-C_{19}			EPH C_{19}-C_{32}		
	Relative Percent Difference (RpD)[a]	MDL	PQL[b]	MDL	PQL[b]	Sample EPH C_{10}-C_{19}	Duplicate EPH C_{10}-C_{19}	RpD[a] (%)	Sample EPH C_{19}-C_{32}	Duplicate EPH C_{19}-C_{32}	RpD[a] (%)
Sample ID	**Duplicate ID**										
Analytical Laboratory Duplicates											
BLA-255-F-C	BLA-262-F-Q	200	1000	200	1000	<200	<200	na	<200	<200	na
BLA-256-I-C	BLA-263-I-Q	200	1000	200	1000	913	<200	na	<200	<200	na
BLA-361-F-D	BLA-363-F-Q	200	1000	200	1000	100	<200	na	<200	<200	na
BLA-344-F-C	BLA-364-F-Q	200	1000	200	1000	296	<200	na	<200	<200	na
Analytical Laboratory Replicates											
BLA-314-F-C	QC# 337956	200	1000	200	1000	576	524	na	<200	<200	na
BLA-379-F-C	QC# 351478	200	1000	200	1000	<200	<200	na	232.0	223.0	na

Notes:

Bold *RpD value is greater than or equal to 50% and the concentration of both samples are greater than the practical quantitation limit (PQL).*

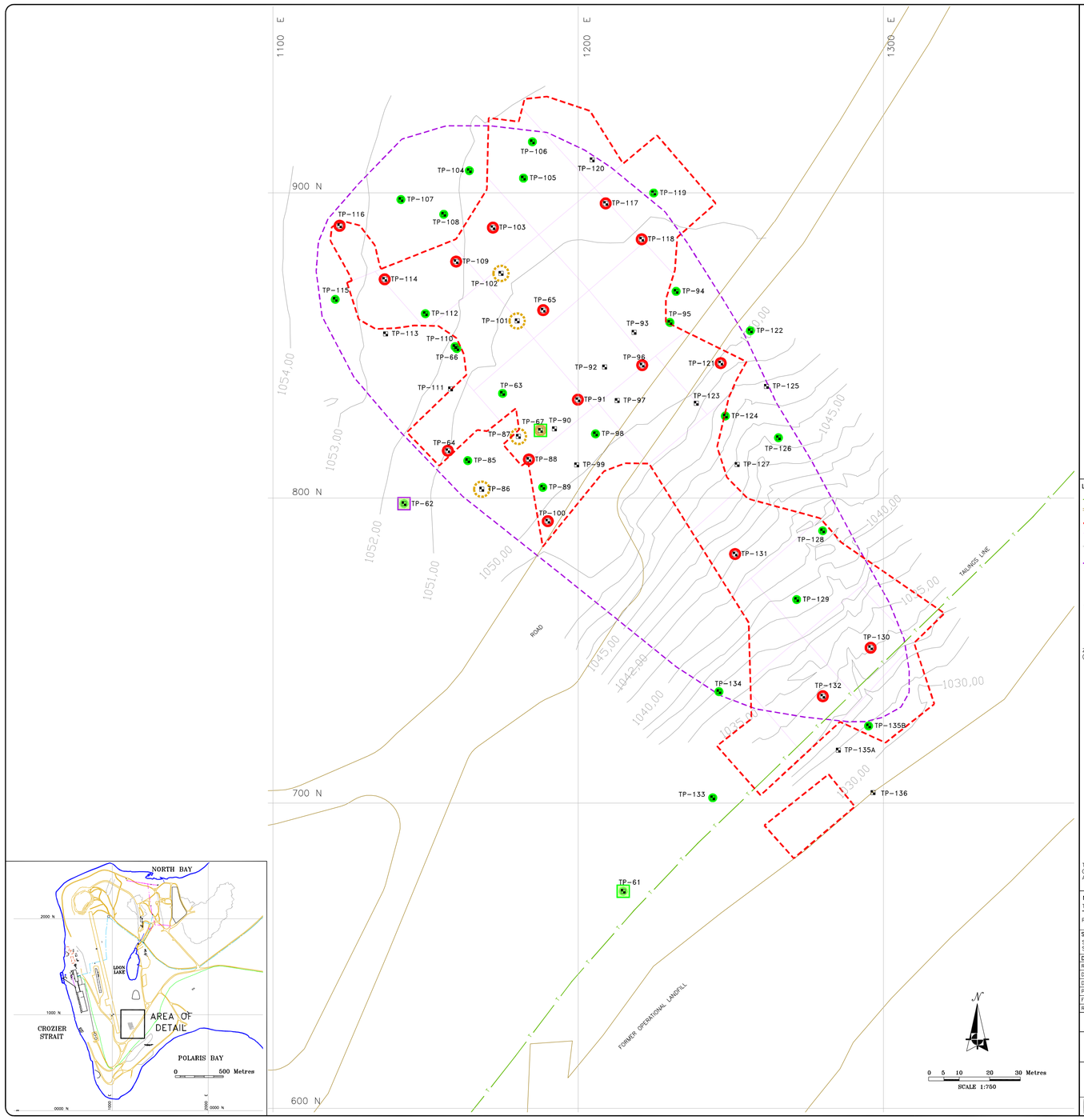
"na" = RpD value is not applicable because one or both results are less than the practical quantitation limit (PQL).

"-" = no result for given parameter.

"<" = less than analytical method detection limit.

*a) Relative Percent Difference = RpD = (Difference/Average) * 100.*

*b) Practical Quantitation Limit (PQL)=5 * Method Detection Limit (MDL).*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ROAD
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LOON LAKE
AREA OF DETAIL
CROZIER STRAIT
POLARIS BAY
0 500 Metres
LEGEND:
TAILINGS LINE
ROADS
LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION
EXCAVATION GRID
GROUND CONTOURS BEFORE REMEDIATION (m)
AREA OF CONCERN FOR HYDROCARBON CONTAMINATION FROM THE 1999-2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT (ESA)
TEST PIT - 1999 AND 2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENTS
TP-122
STAINING DUE TO POSSIBLE PETROLEUM HYDROCARBON CONTAMINATION VISUALLY OBSERVED IN 1999-2000
ZINC CONCENTRATION IN SOILS (1999 & 2000 DATA)
0-1000 PPM
1000-5000 PPM
5000-10,000 PPM
>10,000 PPM
LEAD CONCENTRATION IN SOILS (1999 & 2000 DATA)
0-1,000 PPM
1,000-2,000 PPM
> 2,000 PPM
EPH 10-19 OR EPH 19-32 CONCENTRATION IN SOIL GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 1,000 mg/kg
EPH 10-19 OR EPH 19-32 CONCENTRATION IN SOIL LESS THAN 1,000 mg/kg
TEST PITS WITHOUT ANY EPH EXCEEDANCE OR COMPLIANCE INDICATION MEANS THAT EPH ANALYTICAL LAB DATA IS NOT AVAILABLE
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FORMER FUEL BLADDER STORAGE AREA
CONDITIONS BEFORE REMEDIATION
(DECEMBER 31, 2003)
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2003 CONFIRMATION SAMPLES

EXCAVATION WALL SAMPLES

Sample ID	EPH 10-19 (mg/kg)	EPH 19-32 (mg/kg)
BLA-260-W-C	<200	219
BLA-308-W-C	633	<200
BLA-310-W-C	<200	<200
BLA-312-W-C	263	<200
BLA-341-W-C	<200	250
BLA-345-W-C	<200	<200
BLA-346-W-C	<200	<200
BLA-348-W-C	<200	<200
BLA-349-W-C	<200	<200
BLA-350-W-C	<200	<200
BLA-351-W-C	<200	<200
BLA-375-W-C	213	<200
BLA-378-W-C	<200	221
BLA-381-W-C	443	<200
BLA-382-W-C	<200	<200

EXCAVATION FLOOR SAMPLES

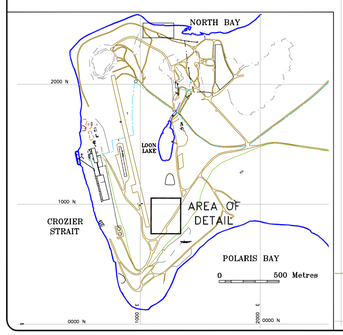
Sample ID	EPH 10-19 (mg/kg)	EPH 19-32 (mg/kg)
BLA-162-I-D	<200	<200
BLA-249-F-C	617	<200
BLA-252-F-C	621	<200
BLA-253-F-C	385	<200
BLA-254-F-C	<200	<200
BLA-255-F-C	<200	<200
BLA-262-F-Q (duplicate of BLA-255-F-C)	<200	<200
BLA-256-I-C	913	<200
BLA-263-I-Q (duplicate of BLA-256-I-C)	788	<200
BLA-261-I-C	825	<200
BLA-311-F-C	256	<200
BLA-313-F-C	<200	<200
BLA-314-F-C	576	<200
BLA-315-F-C	385	<200
BLA-316-F-C	<200	<200
BLA-317-F-C	376	<200
BLA-318-F-C	215	<200
BLA-332-F-C	894	<200
BLA-333-F-C	<200	<200
BLA-334-F-C	<200	<200
BLA-336-F-C	214	<200
BLA-338-F-C	<200	<200
BLA-339-F-C	<200	<200
BLA-342-F-C	<200	<200
BLA-343-F-C	<200	<200
BLA-344-F-C	296	<200
BLA-364-F-Q (duplicate of BLA-344-F-C)	<200	<200
BLA-357-F-D	<200	<200
BLA-358-F-D	<200	<200
BLA-359-F-C	<200	<200
BLA-360-F-C	748	<200
BLA-361-F-D	<200	<200
BLA-363-F-Q (duplicate of BLA-361-F-D)	<200	<200
BLA-362-F-D	<200	<200
BLA-374-F-C	<200	<200
BLA-376-F-C	<200	<200
BLA-377-F-C	<200	<200
BLA-379-F-D	<200	232
BLA-380-F-D	<200	<200

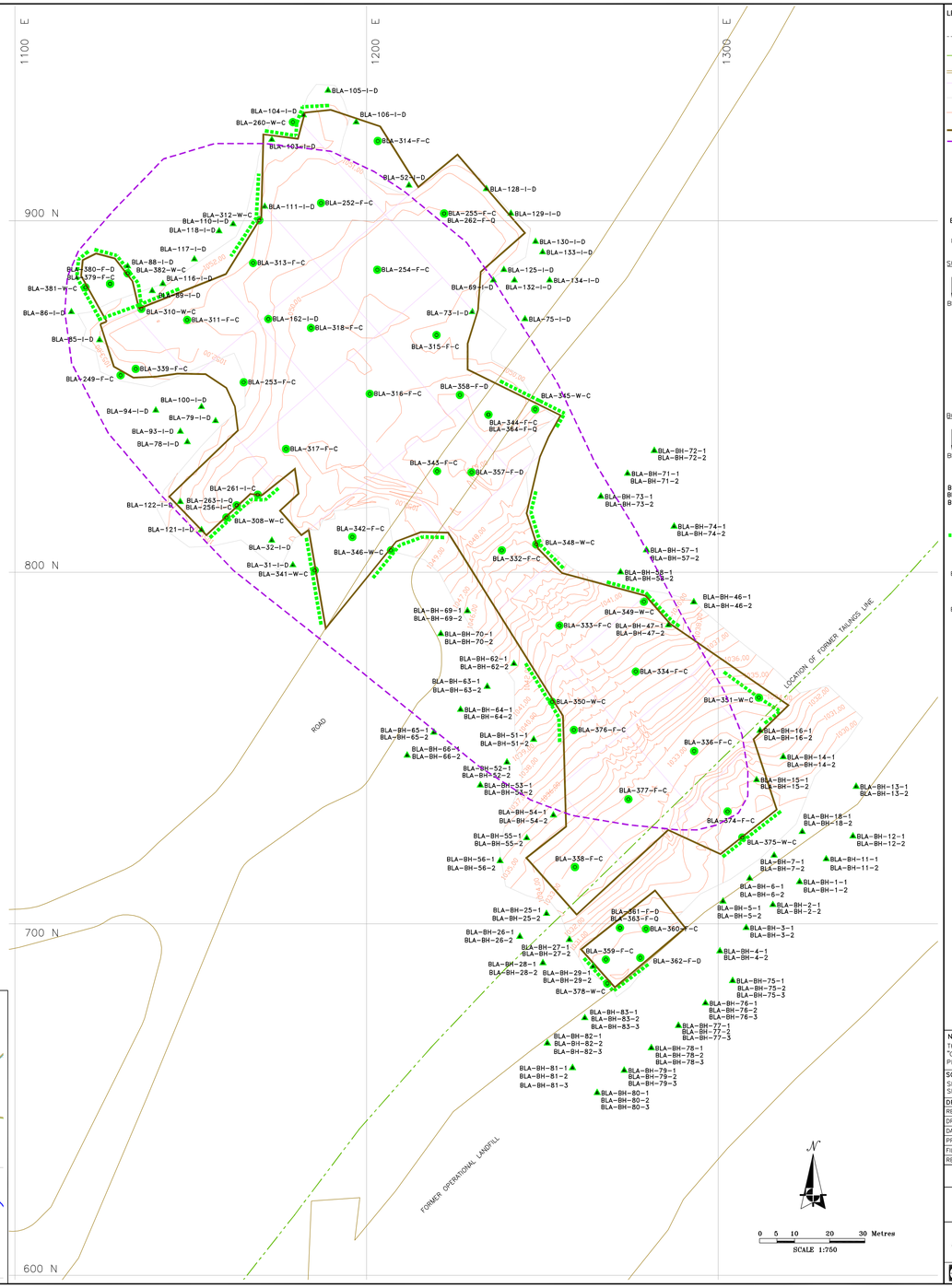
NOTES:

<200 Less than detection limit

EHP10-19 Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbon (Carbon fraction 10-19) concentration obtained from ALS analytical laboratory

EPH19-32 Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbon (Carbon fraction 19-32) concentration obtained from ALS analytical laboratory





LEGEND:

- FORMER LOCATION OF BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES (REMOVED)
- LOCATION OF FORMER TAILINGS LINE
- ROADS
- EXCAVATION GRID
- LIMIT OF EXCAVATION SURVEY
- CONTOURS – BASE OF EXCAVATION (m)
- LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION
- AREA OF HYDROCARBON CONCERN FROM 1999-2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT

2003 SAMPLES

- CONFIRMATORY FLOOR OR WALL SAMPLE
- BLA-BH-70-1 FIELD SCREENING BOREHOLE SAMPLE
- BLA-31-I-D FIELD SCREENING SURFACE SAMPLE

SURFACE SAMPLE NAMING CONVENTION

BLA-333-F-C

- AREA
- SAMPLE ID
- TYPE C= COMPOSITE SAMPLE FLOOR=5 SAMPLES IN A 25x25m AREA WALL=5 SAMPLES ALONG 25m OF WALL
  D= DISCRETE SAMPLE
  Q= DUPLICATED QUALITY ASSURANCE/ QUALITY CONTROL SAMPLE
- LOCATION F= FLOOR SAMPLE
  I= INTERMEDIATE FLOOR SAMPLE
  W= WALL SAMPLE

BOREHOLE SAMPLE NAMING CONVENTION

BLA-BH-70-1

- AREA
- BOREHOLE ID
- DEPTH

BLA-BH-53-1 =1 INDICATES 0-0.5m DEPTH
BLA-BH-53-2 =2 INDICATES 0.5-1m DEPTH
BLA-BH-53-3 =3 INDICATES 1.0-1.5m DEPTH

- AREA OF WALL COMPOSITE SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 1,000 mg/kg EPH10-19 OR EPH19-32
- EPH10-19 / EPH19-32 SOIL SAMPLE FROM EXCAVATION CONTAINS LESS THAN 1,000 mg/kg EPH 10-19 OR EPH 19-32
- FIELD SAMPLE FROM SURFACE OR BOREHOLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 80 ppm VAPOUR

NOTE:
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FORMER FUEL BLADDER STORAGE AREA CONDITIONS AFTER REMEDIATION (DECEMBER 31, 2003)

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Appendix F

Polaris Mine Operations Contaminated Soil Remediation Close Out Report: Old Crusher Area

Gartner Lee

Gartner Lee Limited

December 31, 2003

Mr. Bruce Donald
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Dear Mr. Donald:

Re: 23305 – Polaris Mine Operations Contaminated Soil Remediation
Close Out Report: Old Crusher Area

BACKGROUND

The area known as the old crusher (shown as area 15 on Figure 1: *Contaminated Soils Remediation Program Plan, December 31, 2003*) was the site of the Cedar Rapids Crusher and was located at 1840E and 1270N on the mine grid. The Crusher was used to crush and process lead ore. This structure was in operation for only three years after which, the ore was shipped to the barge for direct processing. Contamination in this area was assumed to be due to wind dispersion.

METHODOLOGY

Delineation

A 20 m x 20 m sampling grid was established in the area of suspected metals contamination identified in the Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) as shown in Figure CR-15-1.

Delineation of the metals impacted area was accomplished through screening level sampling of the surface material within the sampling grid. These samples were collected by hand in accordance with standard GLL and TCL sampling procedures. On August 3, 2003, a total of 62 soil samples were collected from the area covered by the grid. Soil samples from the initial field screening were prepared and analyzed with the Niton XRF. Based on the results of screening sampling GLL modified the area to be remediated to include two zones of contamination. One sample (CR-48-I-D) collected outside of these two areas returned field screening results of lead at 1,554 mg/kg and zinc at 2,360 mg/kg. Given these relatively low field

screening results, remediation at this sample point, shown on Figure CR-15-1, was not considered necessary.

Excavation

The initial screening of the field results indicated that there were two zones of contamination. These two areas were demarcated in the field and excavated to a depth of 0.5 m. Samples were collected from the floors and walls of the excavated area on August 10, 2003. All of the samples collected after the excavation met the soil quality remediation objectives (SQROs).

The limits of the excavation together with the sample locations are located in Figure CR-15-2. The soil excavated was disposed of in the underground mine workings in accordance with regulatory approvals.

ANALYTICAL RESULTS

Analytical laboratory results for the former crusher are presented in Table CR-15-1. A total of 14 samples were submitted for this area: two (2) discrete floor, eight (8) composite walls, three (3) composite floors, and one (1) duplicate. All samples submitted returned concentrations below the Polaris Mine SQROs.

Quality Assurance and Quality Control (QA/QC)

QA/QC was performed on one analytical laboratory replicate, one analytical laboratory duplicate, and four on-site field screening duplicates. Relative percent differences (RpDs) for the duplicate and replicate results have been calculated and summarized in Table CR-15-2 providing confidence that the SQROs have been met.

The RpDs generated from the laboratory replicate results are below the site specific remediation protocol of 50% and therefore acceptable.

The RpD generated from the laboratory duplicate zinc results is above 50%, however both the sample and duplicate results were well below the SQROs, providing confidence that the confirmatory sample result is acceptable in showing the zinc concentration below the remediation target. The variance between the sample and its duplicate is likely a result of sample inhomogeneity caused by the presence of coarse ore fragments.

One on-site field screening sample and duplicate returned lead and zinc RpD's above 50%. However, the area represented by those samples was further excavated until the SQROs were met.

CONCLUSIONS

Based on confirmatory sampling, consistent with good practice and the approved site specific sampling procedures and protocols, the remediation of the old crusher area has been completed to meet the Polaris Mine remedial targets as documented in the approved Polaris Mine Decommissioning and Remediation Plan, March 2001.

LIMITATIONS

This report has been prepared by Gartner Lee Limited and the information in this report is intended for the use of Teck Cominco Metals Limited during the decommissioning and reclamation program currently underway at the Polaris Mine Site. Any use which a third party makes of this report, or any reliance on or decisions made on the basis of the information in this report is the responsibility of such third parties. Gartner Lee Limited accepts no responsibility for damages, if any, suffered by the third party, based on the use of or reliance on any information contained in this report.

The scope of Gartner Lee Limited's work was limited to that described in this report. The confirmation of environmental conditions at the site of the remedial work is based on sampling at specific wall and floor locations within the excavation limits. Gartner Lee Limited has used judgement in the interpretation of the available information but subsurface physical and/or chemical characteristics may vary between or beyond sampling locations. Gartner Lee Limited is not a guarantor of the environmental condition of the site but warrants only that its work was undertaken and its report prepared in a manner consistent with the level of skill and diligence normally exercised by competent environmental professionals practicing in the Nunavut Territory.

Yours very truly,
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Field Scientist

ATTACHMENTS

Tables

Figures

Table CR-15-1. Old Crusher Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

Gartner Lee		Location		Old Crusher										
		Sample ID		CR-66-F-C	CR-67-F-C	CR-79-F-Q* (duplicate of CR-67-F-C)	CR-68-F-C	CR-69-F-C	CR-70-W-C	CR-71-W-C	CR-72-W-C	CR-73-W-C	CR-74-W-C	CR-75-W-C
		Date Sampled		8/10/2003	8/10/2003	8/10/2003	8/10/2003	8/10/2003	8/10/2003	8/10/2003	8/10/2003	8/10/2003	8/10/2003	8/10/2003
		Field Screen Pb (ppm)[c]		150.59	186.06	29.63	208.03	153.41	48.37	37.11	92.77	17.18	107.2	36.87
		Field Screen Zn (ppm)[c]		341.99	416.65	283.37	430.14	395	271.84	212.81	256.59	207.59	409.4	268.28
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME Guidelines**		**Analytical Results**										
		CEQG (PL)[a]	**SQRO[b]**											
Physical Tests														
pH		-		8.81	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Metals														
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]		<20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12		11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500		**798**	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]		<1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10		<1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64		12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]		4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63		18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg		2000	<200	209	328	235	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	6.6		0.07	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]		<8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50		21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1		<3[e]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]		<4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]		<10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130		61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg		10000	155	170	400	228	141	55	52	65	49	108	85

Associated ALS Analytics files: T2886

Notes:

Bold	*Exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Guidelines for Parkland Land Use*
Bold	*Exceeds the CCME Tier 3 Risk-Based Soil Soil Quality Remedial Objectives for the Polaris Mine Site*

<= Less than analytical method detection limit

"-" = No analysis performed for given parameter, or no guideline

na = No field screening result available

a) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines (CEQG) - Tier 1 soil quality remediation guidelines for parkland land use (PL). The site specific factors used for determining the soil quality guideline include: soil ingestion, soil contact, and nutrient cycling.

b) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Tier 3 Risk based soil quality remedial objective (SQRO) for the Polaris Mine Site.

c) Field screening measurements are based on the Niton XLi 700 Series portable X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) elemental analyser.

d) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Tier 1 parkland land use interim remediation criteria, where soil quality gudelines based on the CCME soil protocol have not been developed yet.

e) The analytical method detection limit (MDL) exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Remediation Guidelines for parkland land use (PL).

**Sample CR-79-F-Q is recorded as CR-79-F-C in ALS report T2886*

Table CR-15-1. Old Crusher Area Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

Gartner Lee		Location	Old Crusher		
		Sample ID	CR-76-W-C	CR-77-F-D*	CR-78-F-D**
		Date Sampled	8/10/2003	8/10/2003	8/10/2003
		Field Screen Pb (ppm)[c]	292.62	290.15	308.5
		Field Screen Zn (ppm)[c]	535.48	683.87	560.14
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME Guidelines**		**Analytical Results**		
		CEQG (PL)[a]	**SQRO[b]**			
Physical Tests						
pH		-		-	-	-
Total Metals						
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]		-	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12		-	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500		-	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]		-	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10		-	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64		-	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]		-	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63		-	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg		2000	227	<200	184
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	6.6		-	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]		-	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50		-	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1		-	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]		-	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]		-	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130		-	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg		10000	202	331	201

Associated ALS Analytics files: T2886

Notes:

Bold	*Exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Guidelines for Parkland Land Use*
Bold	*Exceeds the CCME Tier 3 Risk-Based Soil Soil Quality Remedial Objectives for the Polaris Mine Site*

<= Less than analytical method detection limit

"-" = No analysis performed for given parameter, or no guideline

na = No field screening result available

a) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines (CEQG) - Tier 1 soil quality remediation guidelines for parkland land use (PL). The site specific factors used for determining the soil quality guideline include: soil ingestion, soil contact, and nutrient cycling.

b) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Tier 3 Risk based soil quality remedial objective (SQRO) for the Polaris Mine Site.

c) Field screening measurements are based on the Niton XLi 700 Series portable X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) elemental analyser.

d) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Tier 1 parkland land use interim remediation criteria, where soil quality gudelines based on the CCME soil protocol have not been developed yet.

e) The analytical method detection limit (MDL) exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Remediation Guidelines for parkland land use (PL).

**Sample CR-77-F-D is recorded as CR-77-D in ALS report T2886*

***Sample CR-78-F-D is recorded incorrectly as CR-78-P-D in ALS report T2886*

Table CR-15-2. Old Crusher Area Quality Assurance and Quality Control Remediation Soil Samples

Gartner Lee	Parameter	Pb		Zn		Total Pb			Total Zn		
	Relative Percent Difference (RpD)[a]	MDL	PQL[b]	MDL	PQL[b]	Sample Pb	Duplicate Pb	RpD[a] (%)	Sample Zn	Duplicate Pb	RpD[a] (%)
Sample ID	**Duplicate ID**										
On Site Field Screening Duplicates											
CR-12-I-D	CR-64-I-Q	20	100	60	300	483	376	25.1	818	681	18.3
CR-23-I-D	CR-37-I-Q	20	100	60	300	182	395	**74.1**	659	1701	**88.3**
CR-47-I-D	CR-63-I-D	20	100	60	300	422	285	38.9	752	648	14.8
CR-49-I-D	CR-65-I-D	20	100	60	300	498	453	9.6	961	954	0.7
Analytical Laboratory Duplicate											
CR-67-F-C	CR-79-F-Q	200	1000	4	20	209	328	na	170	400	**80.7**
Analytical Laboratory Replicates											
CR-76-W-C	QC# 350293	200	1000	4	20	227	223	na	202	185	8.8

Notes:

Bold *RpD value is greater than or equal to 50% and the concentrations of both samples are greater than the practical quantitation limit (PQL)*

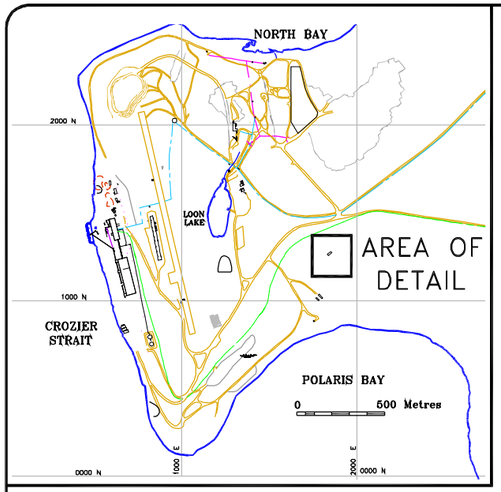
"na" = RpD value is not applicable because one or both results are less than the practical quantitation limit (PQL).

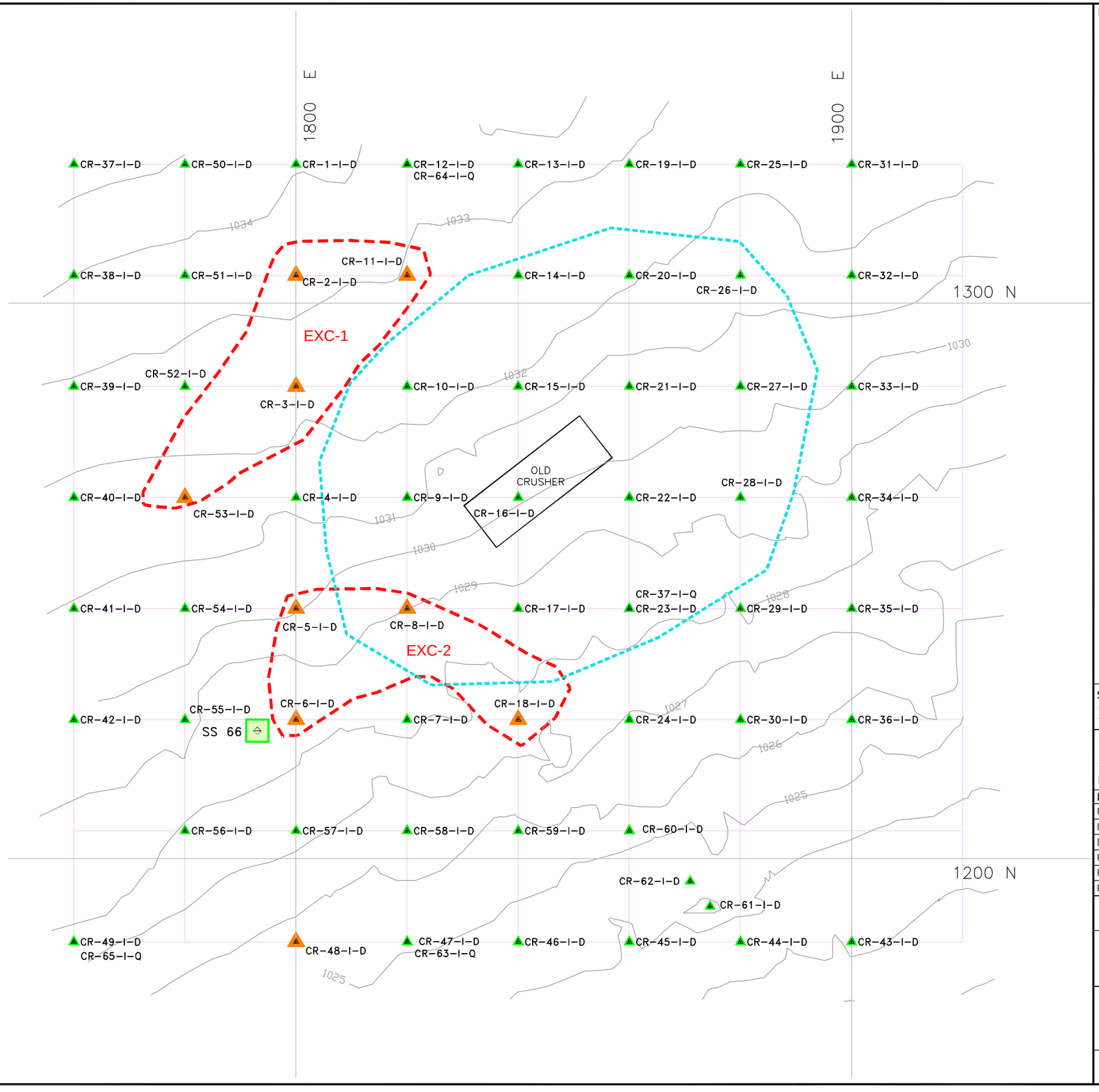
"-" = no result for given parameter

"<" = less than analytical method detection limit

*a) Relative Percent Difference = RpD = (Difference/Average) * 100*

*b) Practical Quantitation Limit (PQL)=5 * Method Detection Limit (MDL)*





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LEGEND:

- LOCATION OF EXISTING BUILDING AND/OR FACILITY
- LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION
- EXCAVATION GRID
- GROUND CONTOURS BEFORE REMEDIATION (m)
- AREA OF CONCERN FOR METALS CONTAMINATION FROM THE 1999–2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT (ESA)
- SS 22 — SURFACE SAMPLE (1999/2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT
- CR-7-I-D — FIELD SCREENING SURFACE SAMPLE (2003)

2003 SAMPLE NAMING CONVENTION

CR-7-I-D
- AREA
- SAMPLE ID
- TYPE
  - C= COMPOSITE SAMPLE FLOOR-5 SAMPLES IN A 25x25m AREA WALL-5 SAMPLES ALONG 25m OF WALL
  - D= DISCRETE SAMPLE
  - Q= DUPLICATED QUALITY ASSURANCE/ QUALITY CONTROL SAMPLE
- LOCATION F= FLOOR SAMPLE
  - I= INTERMEDIATE FLOOR SAMPLE
  - W= WALL SAMPLE

ZINC CONCENTRATION IN SOILS (1999 & 2000 DATA)

- 0–1000 PPM

LEAD CONCENTRATION IN SOILS (1999 & 2000 DATA)

- 0–1,000 PPM
- FIELD SCREENING RESULTS USING NITON XRF ANALYZER INDICATE LEAD CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL ≥ 1,500 ppm AND/OR ZINC CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL ≥ 8,500 ppm
- FIELD SCREENING RESULTS USING NITON XRF ANALYZER INDICATE LEAD CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL < 1,500 ppm AND/OR ZINC CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL < 8,500 ppm

SOURCE OF DRAWING:
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NOTE:
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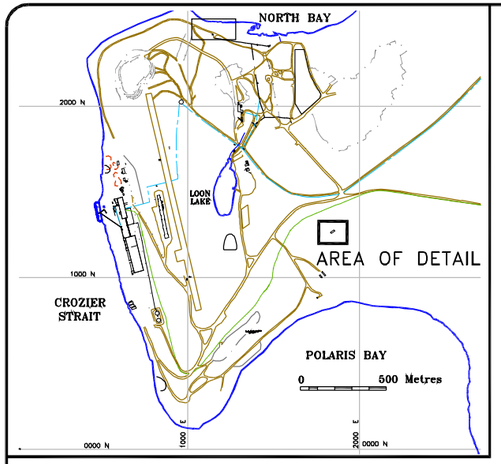

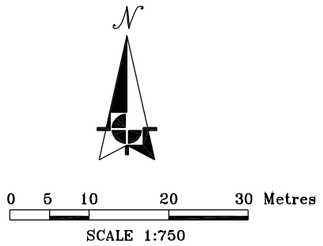

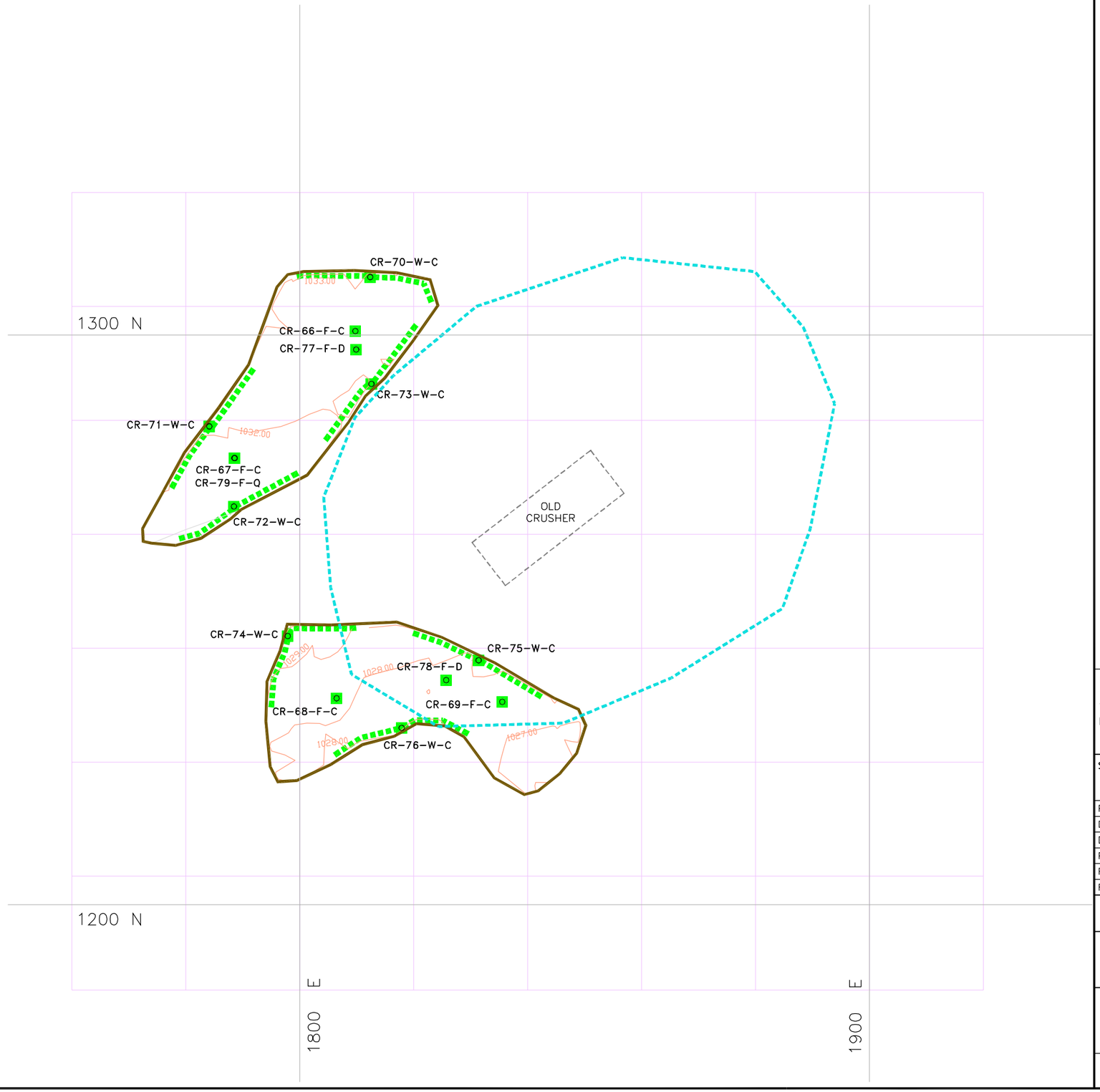

2003 CONFIRMATION SAMPLES

FLOOR SAMPLES

Sample ID	Pb (mg/kg)	Zn (mg/kg)
CR-66-F-C	<200	155
CR-67-F-C	209	170
CR-79-F-Q Duplicate of CR-67-F-C	328	400
CR-68-F-C	235	228
CR-69-F-C	<200	141
CR-77-F-D	<200	331
CR-78-F-D	184	201

WALL SAMPLES

Sample ID	Pb (mg/kg)	Zn (mg/kg)
CR-70-W-C	<200	55
CR-71-W-C	<200	52
CR-72-W-C	<200	65
CR-73-W-C	<200	49
CR-74-W-C	<200	108
CR-75-W-C	<200	85
CR-76-W-C	227	202

NOTES:

<200 Less than detection limit

Pb, Zn Lead or Zinc concentrations obtained from ALS analytical laboratory

LEGEND:

- FORMER LOCATION OF BUILDINGS AND FACILITES (REMOVED)
- ROADS
- EXCAVATION GRID
- LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION
- CONTOURS – BASE OF EXCAVATION (m)
- AREA OF METAL CONCERN FROM 1999–2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT

2003 SAMPLES

O CONFIRMATORY FLOOR OR WALL SAMPLE

SAMPLE NAMING CONVENTION

CR-73-W-C

- AREA
- SAMPLE ID
- TYPE C= COMPOSITE SAMPLE FLOOR–5 SAMPLES IN A 25x25m AREA WALL–5 SAMPLES ALONG 25m OF WALL
  - D= DISCRETE SAMPLE
  - Q= DUPLICATED QUALITY ASSURANCE/ QUALITY CONTROL SAMPLE
- LOCATION F= FLOOR SAMPLE, I= INTERMEDIATE FLOOR SAMPLE, W= WALL SAMPLE

SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 10,000 mg/kg ZINC

SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 2,000 mg/kg LEAD

AREA OF WALL COMPOSITE WALL SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 10,000 mg/kg ZINC OR 2,000 mg/kg LEAD

NOTE:
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OLD CRUSHER AREA CONDITIONS AFTER REMEDIATION (DECEMBER 31, 2003)

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Appendix G

Polaris Mine Operations Contaminated Soil Remediation Close Out Report: Main Snow Dump

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Gartner Lee Limited

December 31, 2003

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Dear Mr. Donald:

Re: 23305 – Polaris Mine Operations Contaminated Soil Remediation
Close Out Report: Main Snow Dump

BACKGROUND

The main snow dump (shown as Area 17 shown Figure 1: *Contaminated Soils Remediation Progress Plan*) was one of four locations used for the storage of snow that had been collected from travel routes on the Polaris mine site. The snow dumps were identified as areas of environmental concern in the Environmental Site Assessment (ESA), due to the inclusion of particulates with elevated lead and zinc concentrations. Prior to the ESA, snow dumping at the main snow dump had ceased, and any remaining snow had been removed.

The main snow dump (MSD) was located at the southern tip of the mine site peninsula. Once the Snow Dump was removed, five test pits were excavated in the underlying soils during the Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) conducted in 1999 and 2000 as shown in Figure SD-17-1. Test pits MSD-1 through MSD-4 were excavated downslope between the former Snow Dump and the ocean. Test pit MSD-5 was excavated upslope of the former Snow Dump to provide background metal concentrations in soils for the area.

The ESA testpit results are as follows:

- the stratigraphy in the vicinity of the main snow dump consists of beach gravels, sands and stones, underlain by bedrock at depths ranging from 0.2 m to 0.55 m below ground surface;
- MSD-1 intersected lead and zinc concentrations greater than the soil quality remediation objective (SQRO) of 2,000 mg/kg for lead and 10,000 mg/kg for zinc from 0.1 m to 0.5 m;
- MSD-2 intersected lead and zinc concentrations greater than the SQROs from 0.1 m to 0.3 m;
- MSD-3 intersected lead and zinc concentrations greater than the SQROs from 0.1 m to 0.3 m;

- MSD-5 background concentrations of lead and zinc were: 652 mg/kg of lead and 788 of mg/kg zinc; and
- MSD-4 located to the west of the Snow Dump did not intersect elevated concentrations of lead or zinc indicating that the contamination did not extend outside the immediate area of the snow dump face.

Total metal analysis of the samples collected at the snow dump showed that cadmium concentrations were greater than the generic Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines (CEQG) for Parkland land use in test pits MSD-1, 2, 3, located at the snow dump face.

METHODOLOGY

Excavation

The excavation of the main snow dump proceeded based on the results of the 1999/2000 ESA data.

Three 25 m x 25 m square blocks were excavated to a depth of 0.5 m using MSD-1, MSD-2 and MSD-3 as their respective center points. The initial excavation was completed on August 13, 2003, and 18 samples were collected the same day. Soil samples from the initial excavation were prepared and field screened with the Niton X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) elemental analyzer.

The contaminated portions of the floors and walls were identified and an additional 0.3m of material was excavated from the floor. The excavation limits surrounding MSD-3 and MSD-1 were also expanded as follows:

- The 25 m x 25 m square block around MSD-3 was stepped out 10m to the north and 15 m to the south, creating a 50 m x 25 m block; and
- The 25 m x 25 m square block surrounding MSD-1 was stepped out 10m to the north and 10 m to the east, creating a 35 m x 35 m block.

The second sampling event occurred on August 19, 2003, and a total of fourteen (14) floor and wall samples were collected. Results of this sampling event indicated that, while the majority of the samples met the SQROs, some metal contamination remained in the floor.

The third excavation of 0.3 m was completed on August 24, 2003, and samples were taken on the same day. A total of six (6) confirmation samples were collected, and all of them passed the field screening.

The limits of the excavation are outlined in Figure SD-17-2 and soils were removed to a maximum depth of 0.9 m in some areas. This material was disposed of in the underground workings in accordance with regulatory approvals. Sample locations are also shown in Figure SD-17-2.

ANALYTICAL RESULTS

Laboratory results for the main snow dump are located in Table SD-17-1. A total of 17 confirmatory samples were submitted for this area: two (2) discrete wall; one (1) discrete floor; seven (7) composite floors; and seven (7) composite walls. All samples submitted returned lead and zinc concentrations below the Polaris Mine SQRO's.

Total metal analyses were performed on four (4) composite confirmatory samples. The approved site specific remedial objectives allow for minor exceedances in a small percentage (less than 5%) of the confirmatory samples, so long as the concentration is less than twice the remedial target. One floor sample, located in the southernmost excavation grid cell, returned a nickel concentration of 63 mg/kg, which is greater than the generic CCME, CEQG for Parkland land use, 50 mg/kg. The total metal analyses and leachate analyses conducted during the ESA did not identify nickel as a contaminate of concern.

Given the immobile nature of nickel encountered on site, demonstrated by the leachate results and relatively low level of concentrations, no further remedial excavation work is considered necessary to meet the approved closure plan objectives.

Quality Assurance and Quality Control (QA/QC)

Relative percent differences (RpD) have been calculated and compiled in table SD-17-2 for five (5) on site field screening duplicates and two (2) analytical laboratory duplicates of confirmatory samples.

The analytical laboratory replicate QA/QC results provide confidence that the SQROs have been met despite the RpD value above 50% for two QA/QC sets. All sample results and replicate results were well below the SQRO. The variance between the sample and its replicate may be a result of sample inhomogeneity as the material sampled was very coarse.

Three of the RpDs generated from the field screening duplicates are above the site specific protocol of 50%. These include the field screening sample and duplicate results from:

- SD-25-W-C and SD-36-W-Q for lead;
- SD-25-W-C and SD-36-W-Q for zinc; and
- SD-43-F-C and SD-44-F-Q for zinc.

In each instance, the field screening sample and its duplicate both returned Niton XRF results well below the SQRO suggesting that these sample results are acceptable in meeting the remedial objectives. However, it indicates the variability. The variance between the sample and its duplicate is likely a result of sample heterogeneity.

CONCLUSION

Based on confirmatory sampling consistent with good practice and the approved site specific sampling procedures and protocols, the remediation of the main snow dump area has been completed to meet the Polaris Mine remedial targets, as documented in the approved Polaris Mine Decommissioning and Remediation Plan, March 2001.

LIMITATIONS

This report has been prepared by Gartner Lee Limited and the information in this report is intended for the use of Teck Cominco Metals Limited during the decommissioning and reclamation program currently underway at the Polaris Mine Site. Any use which a third party makes of this report, or any reliance on or decisions made on the basis of the information in this report is the responsibility of such third parties. Gartner Lee Limited accepts no responsibility for damages, if any, suffered by the third party, based on the use of or reliance on any information contained in this report.

The scope of Gartner Lee Limited's work was limited to that described in this report. The confirmation of environmental conditions at the site of the remedial work is based on sampling at specific wall and floor locations within the excavation limits. Gartner Lee Limited has used judgement in the interpretation of the available information but subsurface physical and/or chemical characteristics may vary between or beyond sampling locations. Gartner Lee Limited is not a guarantor of the environmental condition of the site but warrants only that its work was undertaken and its report prepared in a manner consistent with the level of skill and diligence normally exercised by competent environmental professionals practicing in the Nunavut Territory.

Yours very truly,
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Tables

Table SD-17-1: Main Snow Dump Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals
Table SD-17-2: Main Snow Dump Quality Assurance and Quality Control Remediation Soil Samples

Figures

Figure SD-17-1: Main Snow Dump Area Conditions, Before Remediation (December 31, 2003)
Figure SD-17-2: Main Snow Dump Area Conditions, After Remediation (December 31, 2003)

Table SD-17-1. Main Snow Dump Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

Parameter	Units	Federal CCME Guidelines		Location	Snow Dump									
				Sample ID	SD-7-F-C*	SD-8-F-D**	SD-10-W-C	SD-12-W-C	SD-13-F-C	SD-22-F-C	SD-24-W-C	SD-28-W-C	SD-33-F-C	SD-34-W-C
				Date Sampled	8/18/2003	8/18/2003	8/18/2003	8/18/2003	8/18/2003	8/19/2003	8/19/2003	8/19/2003	8/19/2003	8/19/2003
				Field Screen Pb [c] (ppm)	159.32	205.84	256.07	363.77	136.37	290.02	224.46	256.96	301.51	287.42
				Field Screen Zn [c] (ppm)	934.42	1058.66	1141.67	386.82	573.55	369.9	354.53	299.97	444.73	336.33
		CEQG (PL)[a]	SQRO[b]	Analytical Results										
Physical Tests														
pH			-	-	-	-	-	-	8.25	9.4	9.22	-	-	-
Total Metals														
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	<30[e]	<20	<20	-	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	<20[e]	<10	<10	-	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	-	-	-	-	-	469	318	274	-	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	<2	<1	<1	-	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	<2	<1	<1	-	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	-	-	-	-	-	<6	5	4	-	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	<6	<4	<4	-	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	<3	9	7	-	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	<200	<200	<200	<200	250	<200	194	200	181	239	189
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	6.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	-	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	<20[e]	<8	<8	-	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	<20	<10	<10	-	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	<2[e]	<3[e]	<3[e]	-	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	<6	<4	<4	-	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	<20	<10	<10	-	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	34	31	-	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	316	433	215	2480	101	110	101	95	129	110	

Associated ALS Analytics files: T4634, T4071, T3279, T3191, T3069

Notes:

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Bold *Exceeds the CCME Tier 3 Risk-Based Soil Soil Quality Remedial Objectives for the Polaris Mine Site*

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d) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Tier 1 parkland land use interim remediation criteria, where soil quality gudelines based on the CCME soil protocol have not been developed yet.

e) The analytical method detection limit (MDL) exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Remediation Guidelines for parkland land use (PL).

**Sample SD-7-F-C is recorded as SD-07-F-C in ALS report T3191*

***Sample SD-8-F-D is recorded as SD-08-F-D in ALS report T3191*

Table SD-17-1. Main Snow Dump Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

		Location		Snow Dump					
			Sample ID	SD-37-W-C	SD-38-W-D*	SD-39-W-C	SD-40-W-D	SD-41-F-C	SD-47-F-C
			Date Sampled	8/24/2003	8/24/2003	8/24/2003	8/24/2003	8/24/2003	9/27/2003
			Field Screen Pb [c] (ppm)	58.5	91.03	73.12	269.84	269.38	na
			Field Screen Zn [c] (ppm)	295.15	1048.22	573.7	1306.18	827.22	na
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME Guidelines**		**Analytical Results**					
		CEQG (PL)[a]	**SQRO[b]**						
Physical Tests									
pH			-	-	-	-	-	8.48	-
Total Metals									
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<10	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	-	-	-	-	10	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	-	-	-	-	83	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	-	-	-	-	0.7	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	-	-	-	-	3.5	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	-	-	-	-	46	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	18	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	-	-	-	-	16	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	<50	93	265	859	231	1120
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	6.6	-	-	-	-	-	<0.05	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<4	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	-	-	-	-	**63**	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	-	-	-	-	<2[e]	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<2	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<5	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	-	-	-	-	46	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	200	638	1020	1040	1090	2920

Associated ALS Analytics files: T4634, T4071, T3279, T3191, T3069

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**Sample SD-38-W-D is recorded incorrectly as SD-38-W-C in ALS report T3279*

Table SD-17-2. Main Snow Dump Quality Assurance Quality Control Remediation Soil Samples

Gartner Lee	Parameter	Pb		Zn		Total Pb			Total Zn		
	Relative Percent Difference (RpD)[a]	MDL	PQL[b]	MDL	PQL[b]	Sample Pb	Duplicate Pb	RpD[a] (%)	Sample Zn	Duplicate Zn	RpD[a] (%)
Sample ID	**Duplicate ID**										
On Site Field Screening Duplicates											
SD-3-W-C	SD-19-W-Q	70	350	150	750	523	682	26.4	1806	1808	0.1
SD-12-W-C	SD-35-W-Q	70	350	150	750	364	330	na	387	352	na
SD-25-W-C	SD-36-W-Q	70	350	150	750	476	1166	**84.1**	1704	4401	**88.4**
SD-41-F-C	SD-45-F-Q	70	350	150	750	269	135	na	827	409	na
SD-43-F-C	SD-44-F-Q	70	350	150	750	2779	2653	4.7	4224	1901	**75.8**
Analytical Laboratory Replicates											
SD-34-W-C	QC# 351553	100	500	2	10	189	194	na	110	138	22.6
SD-12-W-C	QC# 351520	100	500	2	10	250	226	na	2480	255	**162.7**

Notes:

Bold *RpD value is greater than or equal to 50% and the concentrations of both samples are greater than the practical quantitation limit (PQL)*

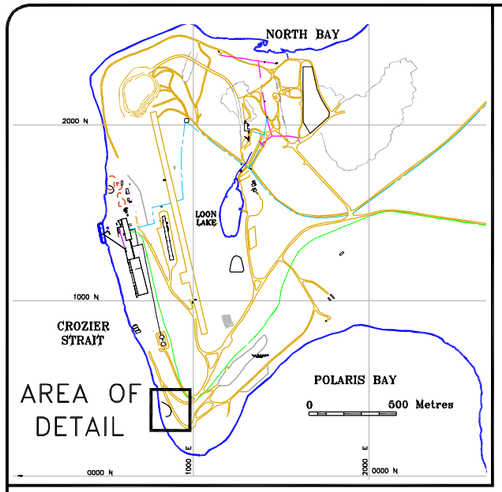
"na" = RpD value is not applicable because one or both results are less than the practical quantitation limit (PQL).

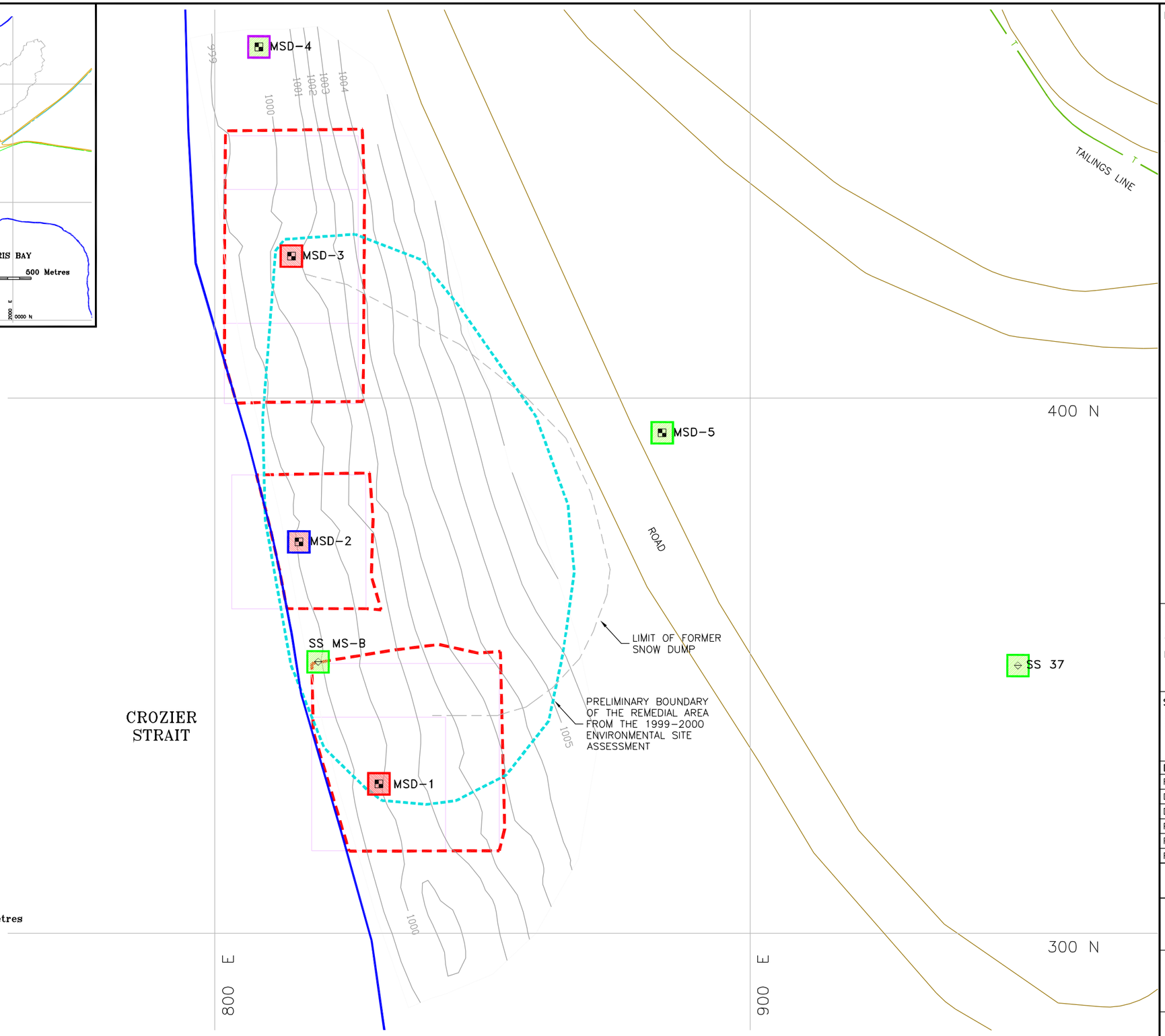
"-" = no result for given parameter

"<" = less than analytical method detection limit

*a) Relative Percent Difference = RpD = (Difference/Average) * 100*

*b) Practical Quantitation Limit (PQL)=5 * Method Detection Limit (MDL)*





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LEGEND:

- SHORE LINE
- TAILINGS LINE
- ROADS
- LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION
- EXCAVATION GRID
- GROUND CONTOURS BEFORE REMEDIATION (m)
- LIMIT OF FORMER SNOW DUMP
- AREA OF CONCERN FOR METALS CONTAMINATION FROM THE 1999-2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT (ESA)
- MSD-5 — TEST PIT – 1999 AND 2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENTS
- SS 22 — SURFACE SAMPLE (1999/2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT)

ZINC CONCENTRATION IN SOILS (1999 & 2000 DATA)

- 0-1000 PPM
- 1000-5000 PPM
- 5000-10,000 PPM
- >10,000 PPM

LEAD CONCENTRATION IN SOILS (1999 & 2000 DATA)

- 0-1,000 PPM
- 1,000-2,000 PPM
- > 2,000 PPM

NOTE:
THIS IS AREA 17 SHOWN ON FIGURE 1 "CONTAMINATED SOILS REMEDIATION PROGRESS PLAN, DECEMBER 31, 2003"

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MAIN SNOW DUMP AREA CONDITIONS BEFORE REMEDIATION (DECEMBER 31, 2003)

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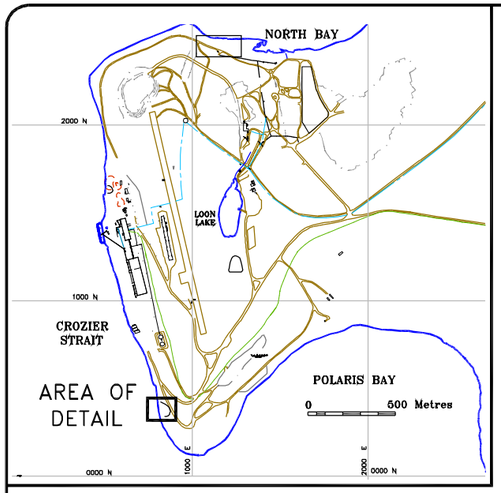

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2003 CONFIRMATION SAMPLES

FLOOR SAMPLES

Sample ID	Lead (mg/kg)	Zinc (mg/kg)
SD-7-F-C	<200	316
SD-8-F-D	<200	433
SD-13-F-C	<200	101
SD-22-F-C	194	110
SD-33-F-C	239	129
SD-41-F-C	231	1090
SD-47-F	1120	2920

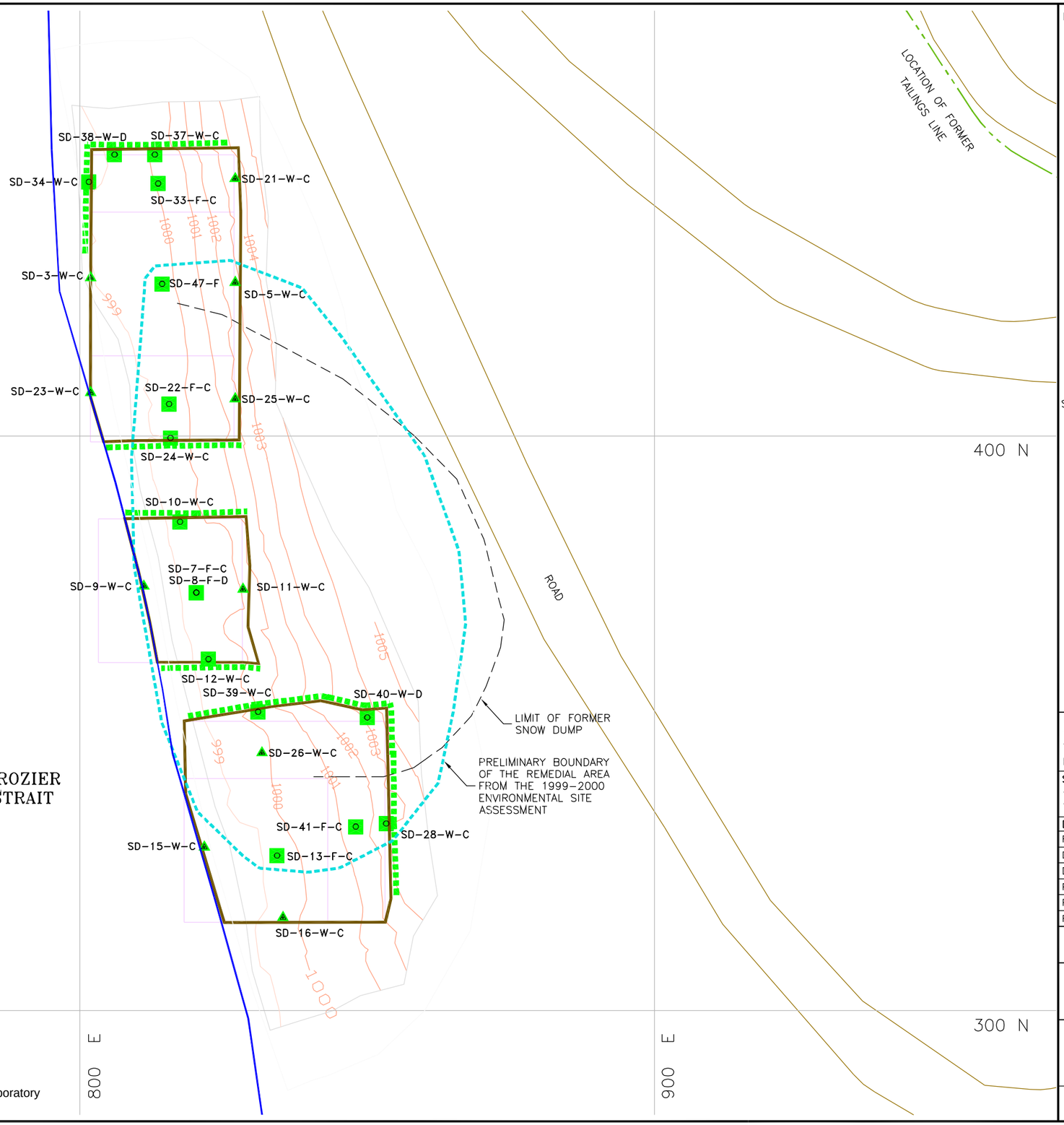
WALL SAMPLES

Sample ID	Lead (mg/kg)	Zinc (mg/kg)
SD-10-W-C	<200	215
SD-12-W-C	250	2480
SD-24-W-C	200	101
SD-28-W-C	181	95
SD-34-W-C	189	110
SD-37-W-C	<50	200
SD-38-W-D	93	638
SD-39-W-C	265	1020
SD-40-W-D	859	1040

NOTES:

<200 Less than detection limit

Lead, Zinc Lead or Zinc concentrations obtained from ALS analytical laboratory



LEGEND:

- SHORE LINE – LOW TIDE
- LIMIT OF FORMER SNOW DUMP
- LOCATION OF FORMER TAILINGS LINE
- ROADS
- EXCAVATION GRID
- LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION
- CONTOURS – BASE OF EXCAVATION (m)
- LIMIT OF EXCAVATION SURVEY
- AREA OF METAL CONCERN FROM 1999-2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT

2003 SAMPLES

- CONFIRMATORY FLOOR OR WALL SAMPLE
- FIELD SCREENING SAMPLE

2003 SAMPLE NAMING CONVENTION

SD-8-F-C
- AREA
- SAMPLE ID
- TYPE C= COMPOSITE SAMPLE FLOOR-5 SAMPLES IN A 25x25m AREA WALL-5 SAMPLES ALONG 25m OF WALL
  - D= DISCRETE SAMPLE
  - Q= DUPLICATED QUALITY ASSURANCE/ QUALITY CONTROL SAMPLE
- LOCATION F= FLOOR SAMPLE, I= INTERMEDIATE FLOOR SAMPLE, W= WALL SAMPLE

- SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 10,000 mg/kg ZINC
- SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 2,000 mg/kg LEAD
- AREA OF WALL COMPOSITE WALL SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 10,000 mg/kg ZINC OR 2,000 mg/kg LEAD
- FIELD SAMPLE RESULTS FROM NITON XRF ANALYSIS SHOW LEAD CONCENTRATION LESS THAN 1750 mg/kg AND ZINC CONCENTRATION LESS THAN 7500 mg/kg

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MAIN SNOW DUMP AREA CONDITIONS AFTER REMEDIATION (DECEMBER 31, 2003)

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Figure. SD-17-2

Appendix H

Polaris Mine Operations Contaminated Soil Remediation Close Out Report: North Portal Stockpile

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Gartner Lee Limited

December 31, 2003

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Dear Mr. Donald:

Re: 23305 – Polaris Mine Operations Contaminated Soil Remediation
Close Out Report: North Portal Stockpile

BACKGROUND

The north portal stockpile is located north east of the airstrip on North Bay and it is shown as Area 22 on Figure 1: *Contaminated Soils Remediation Progress Plan, December 31, 2003*. During the exploration and pre-mining phases, waste rock produced underground was stockpiled at the north portal. More recently, the north portal stockpile was used as a temporary storage area for high grade lead ore.

Waste rock material from the underground mine comprises limestone and shale. Geochemical testing of representative samples of limestone and shale waste rock was conducted in 1999 as part of the Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) performed by Gartner Lee Limited (GLL). The test results indicated these rock types are not acid generating and do not present a risk of metal leaching.

No intrusive sampling (test pitting or drilling) was undertaken at the north portal during the ESA investigations. The area was identified as metal contaminated in the 2000 ESA, based on the use of the area for storage of high grade lead ore.

METHODOLOGY

Delineation

To direct field screening sampling of soil and excavation activities a 25 m x 25 m sampling grid was established in the area of suspected metals contamination identified in the 2000 ESA. The surface elevation was surveyed by SNC Lavalin.

Primary delineation of the metals impacted area commenced June 28, 2003, and sampling of the subsurface material was accomplished by drilling boreholes at the accessible 25 m x 25 m grid points. The presence of a snow pile at the time of drilling and the active use of the underground portal, limited the accessible points. Twenty two (22) boreholes were advanced with an air rotary quarry drill to depths of up to 6.5 m. Composite soil samples of the drill returns that accumulated at the mouth of the borehole were collected at 0.5 m intervals. Following the collection of each sample, the surface surrounding the borehole was cleared of the drill cuttings to expose fresh snow.

Samples were analysed on site using a Niton portable X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) elemental analyzer. The results of this field screening exercise indicated that there were elevated lead and zinc concentrations in seven (7) of the boreholes, to depths ranging from 0.5 m to 3.5 m as shown on Figure NP-22-1.

Subsets of samples field screened on-site were sent to the analytical laboratory Aurora Laboratory Services Ltd. (ALS) of Vancouver BC, to confirm the level of metals in the soil. The results are shown in the following table:

	Lead Concentration (mg/kg)		**Zinc Concentration (mg/kg)**	
Sample Number	**Niton Portable XRF**	**Analytical Laboratory**	**Niton Portable XRF**	**Analytical Laboratory**
NP-BH-12-4	935	1,430	6,438	8,450
NP-BH-14-1	1,800	1,950	7,987	7,290
NP-BH-17-2	3,427	3,980	9,555	8,450

These results demonstrate that treating on-site field screening concentrations of lead greater than 1,500 mg/kg and zinc greater than 8,500 mg/kg as if they exceeded the site specific Soil Quality Remediation Objectives (SQROs) for lead (2,000 mg/kg) and zinc (10,000 mg/kg) is conservative

for the specific type of contaminated soil in this area. GLL directed remedial excavation based on the results of the field screening sampling.

Excavation

Teck Cominco Limited (TCL) and GLL established a plan to direct excavation around six (6) of the borehole locations NP-BH-12, NP-BH-4, NP-BH-17, NP-BH-16, NP-BH-21, and NP-BH-22 with elevated lead and zinc concentrations. Because the analytical laboratory result for NP-BH-14-1 met the SQROs, no remedial excavation was performed around this isolated borehole.

Excavation was restricted to elevations above the original ground surface prior to stockpiling activities. The plan stipulated that excavation adjacent to the tidal zone be permitted only at low tide.

Excavation of the north portal stockpile area commenced in early August 2003. Soil was ripped within the excavation boundaries using a ripper tooth, and pushed into stockpiles that were loaded onto trucks with an excavator. Excavation was subdivided into two areas, an east and a west. This material was disposed of in the underground workings in accordance with regulatory approvals.

Confirmation Sampling

To further direct the excavation, soil samples were collected across the floor and along the wall of the excavation limits in accordance with standard GLL and TCL sampling procedures and protocols. The samples analyzed using the Niton XRF. Composite samples were collected from 25 m x 25 m areas of the floor of the excavation and over a length of 25 m on the wall of the excavation.

Samples were submitted to ALS to verify the concentration of metals. Additional excavation was undertaken in areas that did not meet the SQROs. The east excavation removed material depths between 0.3 m and 1.0 m and the west excavation extended to depths between 1.5 m and 5.0 m. Upon receipt of the soil results that met the SQROs the final excavation limits were surveyed.

ANALYTICAL RESULTS

Analytical laboratory results for metals are summarized in Table NP-22-1, along with the approved Polaris Mine SQROs for lead and zinc. A total of forty three (43) remediation confirmation samples were submitted from the former north portal area: seventeen (17) composite floors, five (5) discrete floors, eighteen (18) composite walls, two (2) discrete walls, and two (2) quality assurance quality control (QA/QC) samples. The soil quality results and the lateral limits of the excavation are shown on Figure NP-22-2.

The metal remediation confirmation samples met the approved closure plan objectives. The approved site-specific remedial objectives allow for minor exceedances in a small percentage (less than 5%) of the confirmatory samples, so long as the concentration is less than twice the remedial target. Minor exceedances were obtained from one duplicate QA/QC sample, NP-165-W-Q, with a lead and zinc concentrations (2,030 mg/kg lead, 12,100 mg/kg zinc) above the SQROs. However, the analytical results for the duplicate NP-164-W-C met the SQROs.

Three (3) of the four (4), confirmation samples analyzed for total metals analysis returned minor exceedances of nickel. Nickel concentrations ranged from 52 mg/kg to 63 mg/kg. The generic Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Canadian Environmental Quality Guideline (CEQG) for parkland land use is 50 mg/kg nickel in soil. Nickel was not identified as a contaminant of concern in the Polaris Mine ESA. No exceedances were obtained during the investigations in 1999 and 2000, and the leachate analysis returned nickel concentrations at levels less than detection. Given the immobile nature of the nickel encountered on site, as demonstrated by the leachate results and the relatively low level of concentrations, no further remedial excavation work is considered necessary to meet the approved closure plan objectives.

Quality Assurance and Quality Control (QA/QC)

Relative percent differences have been calculated and compiled in Table NP-22-2 for sixteen (16) on site field screened duplicates, two (2) analytical laboratory duplicates, and five (5) analytical laboratory replicates for a total of twenty three (23) QA/QC samples.

Twenty (20) of the sample results and their duplicate/replicate results returned acceptable RpDs, below the site specific remediation protocol of 50%. Some of the samples returned results below the practical quantitation limit in which case the RpD value has been identified as “na” (not

applicable). The RpDs for sample NP-164-W-C and its duplicate, NP-165-W-Q met the RpD objective even though the results for NP-165-W-Q were above the SQROs for lead and zinc. The results for NP-164-W-C met the remedial objectives for these parameters.

Three (3) analytical laboratory samples and their laboratory replicates returned RpDs above 50%. Analytical laboratory sample NP-65-W-C and its duplicate, NP-182-W-Q, returned a lead RpD above the 50%. Sample NP-74-F-C and its replicate returned their lead and zinc RpDs above 50%. Sample NP-89-W-C and its replicate returned their zinc RpD above 50%.

The variance between the sample and its duplicate is likely a result of sample inhomogeneity caused by the presence of very coarse high grade ore fragments. Therefore, the QA/QC samples from the north portal area serve to document the variable nature of the metal concentrations in the soil and to provide confidence that the remediation of the north portal area complies with the SQROs.

CONCLUSIONS

Based on confirmatory sampling consistent with good practice and the approved site specific sampling procedures and protocols, the remediation of the former north portal stockpile area has been completed to meet the Polaris Mine remedial targets, as documented in the approved Polaris Mine Decommissioning and Remediation Plan, March 2001.

LIMITATIONS

This report has been prepared by Gartner Lee Limited and the information in this report is intended for the use of Teck Cominco Metals Limited during the decommissioning and reclamation program currently underway at the Polaris Mine Site. Any use which a third party makes of this report, or any reliance on or decisions made on the basis of the information in this report is the responsibility of such third parties. Gartner Lee Limited accepts no responsibility for damages, if any, suffered by the third party, based on the use of or reliance on any information contained in this report.

The scope of Gartner Lee Limited's work was limited to that described in this report. The confirmation of environmental conditions at the site of the remedial work is based on sampling at specific wall and floor locations within the excavation limits. Gartner Lee Limited has used judgement in the interpretation of the available information but subsurface physical and/or chemical characteristics may vary between or beyond sampling locations. Gartner Lee Limited is not a guarantor of the environmental condition of the site but warrants only that its work was

undertaken and its report prepared in a manner consistent with the level of skill and diligence normally exercised by competent environmental professionals practicing in the Nunavut Territory.

Yours very truly,
GARTNER LEE LIMITED

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Tables

Table NP-22-1: North Portal Stockpile Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals
Table NP-22-2: North Portal Stockpile Quality Assurance and Quality Control Remediation Soil Samples

Figures

Figure NP-22-1: North Portal Stockpile Conditions Before Remediation (December 31, 2003)
Figure NP-22-2: North Portal Stockpile Conditions After Remediation (December 31, 2003)

Table NP-22-1. North Portal Stockpile Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

		Location		North Portal Stockpile										
		Sample ID		NP-BH-14-1	NP-63-F-C*	NP-64-W-C	NP-65-W-C**	NP-66-F-C	NP-69-W-C	NP-71-F-C	NP-72-F-C	NP-73-F-C	NP-74-F-C	NP-75-F-D
		Date Sampled		6/29/2003	8/24/2003	8/19/2003	8/24/2003	8/19/2003	8/19/03	8/19/2003	8/19/2003	8/19/2003	8/19/2003	8/19/2003
		Field Screen Pb[c] (ppm)		1800	na	na	na	na	na	121.83	108.42	134.87	117.4	200.2
		Field Screen Zn[c] (ppm)		7987.2	na	na	na	na	na	746.82	674.1	821.5	1179.27	1036.9
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME Guidelines**		**Analytical Results**										
		CEQG (PL)[a]	**SQRO[b]**											
Physical Tests														
pH		-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Metals														
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<10	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	-	-	-	-	111	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	-	-	-	-	43	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	15	-	-	-	-	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	1950	230	557	307	400	1910	344	120	168	284	143
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	7	-	-	-	-	-	<0.05	-	-	-	-	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	-	-	-	-	**56**	-	-	-	-	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	-	-	-	-	<2[e]	-	-	-	-	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	<5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	-	-	-	-	45	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	7290	764	4740	1740	1300	7100	708	633	703	1710	611

Associated ALS Analytics files: T6438, T5345, T4772, T4327, T4151, T3279, T3069, T1369

Notes:

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d) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Tier 1 parkland land use interim remediation criteria, where soil quality gudelines based on the CCME soil protocol have not been developed yet.

e) The analytical method detection limit (MDL) exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Remediation Guidelines for parkland land use (PL).

** Sample NP-63-F-C is recorded as NP-63 in ALS report T3279*

***Sample NP-65-W-C is recorded as NP-65 in ALS report T3279*

Table NP-22-1. North Portal Stockpile Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

Parameter	Units	Federal CCME Guidelines		North Portal Stockpile										
				Analytical Results										
Location				North Portal Stockpile										
Sample ID				NP-76-F-C	NP-77-F-C	NP-78-W-D	NP-79-W-C	NP-80-W-C*	NP-81-W-C	NP-82-F-C	NP-83-F-C	NP-84-W-C	NP-85-W-C**	NP-86-W-C
Date Sampled				8/19/2003	8/19/2003	8/19/2003	8/19/2003	19/8/2003	8/19/2003	8/19/2003	8/19/2003	8/19/2003	19/8/2003	8/19/2003
Field Screen Pb[c] (ppm)				111.17	146.05	130.6	29.26	307.04	141.96	89.08	100.28	215.07	133.86	106.46
Field Screen Zn[c] (ppm)				1106.64	915.34	659.31	364.36	1671.55	651.02	445.45	349.5	1297.16	747.25	528.52
		CEQG (PL)[a]	**SQRO[b]**											
Physical Tests														
pH		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Metals														
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	114	333	303	759	363	139	211	191	1630	384	105
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	756	908	449	389	1820	705	443	888	1720	1340	538

Associated ALS Analytics files: T6438, T5345, T4772, T4327, T4151, T3279, T3069, T1369

Notes:

Bold	*Exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Guidelines for Parkland Land Use*
Bold	*Exceeds the CCME Tier 3 Risk-Based Soil Soil Quality Remedial Objectives for the Polaris Mine Site*

<= Less than analytical method detection limit

"-" = No analysis performed for given parameter, or no guideline

na = No field screening result available

a) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines (CEQG) - Tier 1 soil quality remediation guidelines for parkland land use (PL). The site specific factors used for determining the soil quality guideline include: soil ingestion, soil contact, and nutrient cycling.

b) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Tier 3 Risk based soil quality remedial objective (SQRO) for the Polaris Mine Site.

c) Field screening measurements are based on the Niton XLi 700 Series portable X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) elemental analyser.

d) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Tier 1 parkland land use interim remediation criteria, where soil quality gudelines based on the CCME soil protocol have not been developed yet.

e) The analytical method detection limit (MDL) exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Remediation Guidelines for parkland land use (PL).

**Sample NP-80-W-C is recorded as NP-80 in ALS report T6438*

***Sample NP-85-W-C is recorded as NP-85 in ALS report T6438*

Table NP-22-1. North Portal Stockpile Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

		Location		North Portal Stockpile										
		Sample ID		NP-87-F-C	NP-88-W-C	NP-89-W-C*	NP-90-F-C	NP-91-F-C	NP-92-W-C	NP-93-W-C*	NP-95-W-C	NP-97-W-D	NP-127-W-C	NP-128-W-C
		Date Sampled		8/19/2003	8/19/2003	19/8/2003	8/19/2003	8/19/2003	8/19/2003	19/8/2003	8/19/2003	8/19/2003	9/14/2003	9/14/2003
		Field Screen Pb[c] (ppm)		422.24	254.65	312.59	392.25	195.11	280.59	207.44	167.03	539.49	81.22	728.67
		Field Screen Zn[c] (ppm)		2559.36	1918.12	1840.07	1854.87	1068.8	1503.76	1351.7	1015.26	2211.77	355.88	6292.34
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME Guidelines**		**Analytical Results**										
		CEQG (PL)[a]	**SQRO[b]**											
Physical Tests														
pH		-	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Metals														
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	<10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	107	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	1500	462	444	480	302	149	333	106	579	<100	477
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	7	-	<0.05	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	<4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	**63**	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	<2[e]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	<2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	<5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	48	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	3520	1370	2990	1820	1590	566	855	722	1170	333	6240

Associated ALS Analytics files: T6438, T5345, T4772, T4327, T4151, T3279, T3069, T1369

Notes:

Bold	*Exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Guidelines for Parkland Land Use*
Bold	*Exceeds the CCME Tier 3 Risk-Based Soil Soil Quality Remedial Objectives for the Polaris Mine Site*

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c) Field screening measurements are based on the Niton XLi 700 Series portable X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) elemental analyser.

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e) The analytical method detection limit (MDL) exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Remediation Guidelines for parkland land use (PL).

**Sample NP-89-W-C is recorded as NP-89 in ALS report T6438*

***Sample NP-93-W-C is recorded as NP-93 in ALS report T6438*

Table NP-22-1. North Portal Stockpile Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

Parameter	Units	Federal CCME Guidelines		North Portal Stockpile										
		Location		North Portal Stockpile										
		Sample ID		NP-131-F-C	NP-160-F-C	NP-161-W-C	NP-164-W-C	NP-165-W-Q (Duplicate of NP-164-W-C)	NP-169-F-D	NP-171-F-D	NP-174-F-D	NP-180-F-C*	NP-181-F-C	NP-182-W-Q (Duplicate of NP-65-W-C)**
		Date Sampled		9/14/2003	9/19/2003	9/19/2003	9/30/2003	9/30/2003	10/8/2003	10/8/2003	10/8/2003	10/11/2003	10/11/2003	8/24/2003
		Field Screen Pb[c] (ppm)		840.46	na	na	1231.08	1607.1	431.14	347.19	807.06	94.16	808.64	na
		Field Screen Zn[c] (ppm)		5609.83	na	na	7364.82	11013.15	1295.24	2040.79	4414.62	565.45	5466.62	na
		CEQG (PL)[a]	SQRO[b]	Analytical Results										
Physical Tests														
pH		-	-	-	8	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-
Total Metals														
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	<10	-	-	-	<30[e]	-	-	-	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	-	11	-	-	-	<20[e]	-	-	-	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	-	65	-	-	-	207	-	-	-	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	-	1	-	-	-	<2	-	-	-	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	-	9	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	-	24	-	-	-	<6	-	-	-	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	15	-	-	-	<6	-	-	-	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	-	11	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	1550	353	1240	1820	***2030***	1050	449	1330	97	1090	613
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	7	-	-	<0.05	-	-	-	<0.05	-	-	-	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	-	<4	-	-	-	<20[e]	-	-	-	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	-	**52**	-	-	-	<20	-	-	-	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	-	<2[e]	-	-	-	<4[e]	-	-	-	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	<2	-	-	-	<6	-	-	-	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	<5	-	-	-	<20	-	-	-	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	-	27	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	6310	3030	9350	8600	***12100***	2990	2240	5610	844	8690	2320

Associated ALS Analytics files: T6438, T5345, T4772, T4327, T4151, T3279, T3069, T1369

Notes:

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Bold	*Exceeds the CCME Tier 3 Risk-Based Soil Soil Quality Remedial Objectives for the Polaris Mine Site*

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**Sample NP-180-F-C is recorded incorrectly as NP-180-F-C in ALS report T5345*

***Sample NP-182-W-Q is recorded as NP-65-dup in ALS report T3279*

Table NP-22-2. North Portal Stockpile Quality Assurance and Quality Control Remediation Soil Samples

Gartner Lee	Parameter	Pb		Zn		Total Pb			Total Zn		
	Relative Percent Difference (RpD)[a]	MDL	PQL[b]	MDL	PQL[b]	Sample Pb	Duplicate Pb	RpD[a] (%)	Sample Zn	Duplicate Zn	RpD[a] (%)
Sample ID	Duplicate ID										
On Site Field Screening Duplicates											
NP-BH-2-6	NP-BH-2-9	20	100	60	300	175	194	10.2	1470	1250	16.2
NP-BH-4-5	NP-BH-4-7	20	100	60	300	290	250	15.0	2949	2600	12.6
NP-BH-5-6	NP-BH-5-11	20	100	60	300	226	174	26.3	1970	1880	4.7
NP-BH-8-6	NP-BH-8-3	20	100	60	300	177	192	8.3	2130	1909	10.9
NP-BH-10-2	NP-BH-10-3	20	100	60	300	55	49	11.6	193	167	na
NP-BH-12-10	NP-BH-12-4	20	100	60	300	1040	935	10.6	6739	6438	4.6
NP-BH-12-9	NP-BH-12-7	20	100	60	300	187	82	na	597	564	5.7
NP-BH-15-4	NP-BH-15-8	20	100	60	300	45	46	na	344	295	na
NP-BH-16-5	NP-BH-16-9	20	100	60	300	464	545	16.0	4608	4160	10.2
NP-BH-17-14	NP-BH-17-5	20	100	60	300	2040	1560	26.7	4627	3850	18.3
NP-BH-18-15	NP-BH-18-2	20	100	60	300	417	273	41.7	803	600	28.8
NP-BH-18-4	NP-BH-18-13	20	100	60	300	188	187	0.1	530	474	11.2
NP-BH-18-10	NP-BH-18-14	20	100	60	300	42	20	na	60	560	na
NP-BH-19-8	NP-BH-19-13	20	100	60	300	20	20	na	60	60	na
NP-BH-20-12	NP-BH-20-13	20	100	60	300	20	20	na	60	60	na
NP-BH-22-8	NP-BH-22-1	20	100	60	300	8218	7795	5.3	35277	30899	13.2
Analytical Laboratory Duplicates											
NP-164-W-C	NP-165-W-C	50	250	1	5	1820	2030	10.9	8600	12100	33.8
NP-65-W-C	NP-182-W-C	50	250	1	5	307	613	**66.5**	1740	2320	28.6
Analytical Laboratory Replicates											
NP-74-F-C	QC# 351552	50	250	1	5	284	1460	**135**	1710	3160	**60**
NP-92-W-C	QC# 351551	50	250	1	5	149	97	42	566	694	20
NP-128-W-C	QC# 355290	50	250	1	5	477	657	32	6240	10100	47
NP-174-F-D	QC# 359675	200	1000	3	15	1330	916	36.9	5610	5910	5.2
NP-89-W-C	QC# 363881	50	250	1	5	444	486	9.0	2990	1580	**61.7**

Notes:

Bold *RpD value is greater than or equal to 50% and the concentrations of both samples are greater than the practical quantitation limit (PQL)*

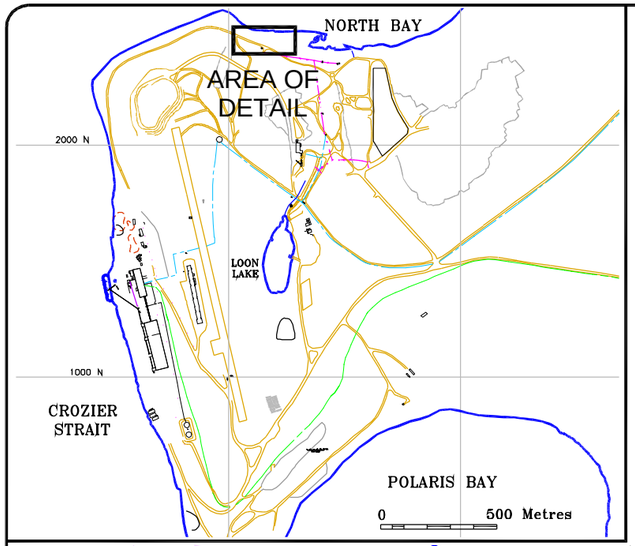
"na" = RpD value is not applicable because one or both results are less than the practical quantitation limit (PQL).

"-" = no result for given parameter

"<" = less than analytical method detection limit

*a) Relative Percent Difference = RpD = (Difference/Average) * 100*

*b) Practical Quantitation Limit (PQL)=5 * Method Detection Limit (MDL)*



N

0 5 10 20 30 Metres

SCALE 1:750

2500 N

2400 N

1100 E

1200 E

NORTH BAY

NP-BH-4 1m

NP-BH-3

NP-BH-17 2m

NP-BH-18

NP-BH-19

NP-BH-20

NP-BH-13

NP-BH-12 1m

NP-BH-5

NP-BH-2

NP-BH-9

NP-BH-8

NP-BH-11

NP-BH-6

NP-BH-1

NP-BH-16 1m

NP-BH-10

NP-BH-7

SHED

NP-BH-14 0.5m

NP-BH-15

NP-BH-21 3.5m

NP-BH-22 1.5m

ROAD

OUTLINE OF FORMER SNOW DUMP AREA

NORTH PORTAL

PP

LEGEND:

- LOCATION OF EXISTING BUILDING AND/OR FACILITY
- POWER LINE
- PP POWER POLE
- SHORE LINE
- ROADS
- LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION
- EXCAVATION GRID
- GROUND CONTOURS BEFORE REMEDIATION (m)
- APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF FORMER SNOW DUMP BASED ON GARTNER LEE FIELD OBSERVATIONS
- AREA OF CONCERN FOR METALS CONTAMINATION FROM THE 1999-2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT (ESA)

2003 FIELD SCREENING SAMPLES

AREA — BOREHOLE ID

NP-BH-2

- BOREHOLE - GLL 2003
- 1m DEPTH OF PROPOSED EXCAVATION (m) BASED ON FIELD SCREENING RESULTS
- FIELD SCREENING RESULTS USING NITON XRF ANALYZER INDICATE LEAD CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL ≥ 1,500 ppm AND/OR ZINC CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL ≥ 8,500 ppm
- FIELD SCREENING RESULTS USING NITON XRF ANALYZER INDICATE LEAD CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL < 1,500 ppm AND/OR ZINC CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL < 8,500 ppm

NOTE:

THIS IS AREA 22 SHOWN ON FIGURE 1 "CONTAMINATED SOILS REMEDIATION PROGRESS PLAN, DECEMBER 31, 2003"

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CONTAMINATED SOIL REMEDIATION
2003 CLOSE OUT REPORT
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NORTH PORTAL STOCKPILE CONDITIONS BEFORE REMEDIATION (DECEMBER 31, 2003)

Gartner Lee

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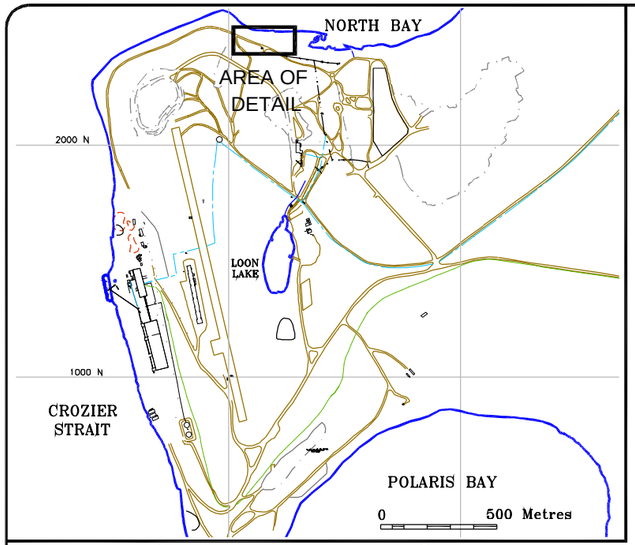


N

0 5 10 20 30 Metres

SCALE 1:750

2003 CONFIRMATION SAMPLES

FLOOR SAMPLES

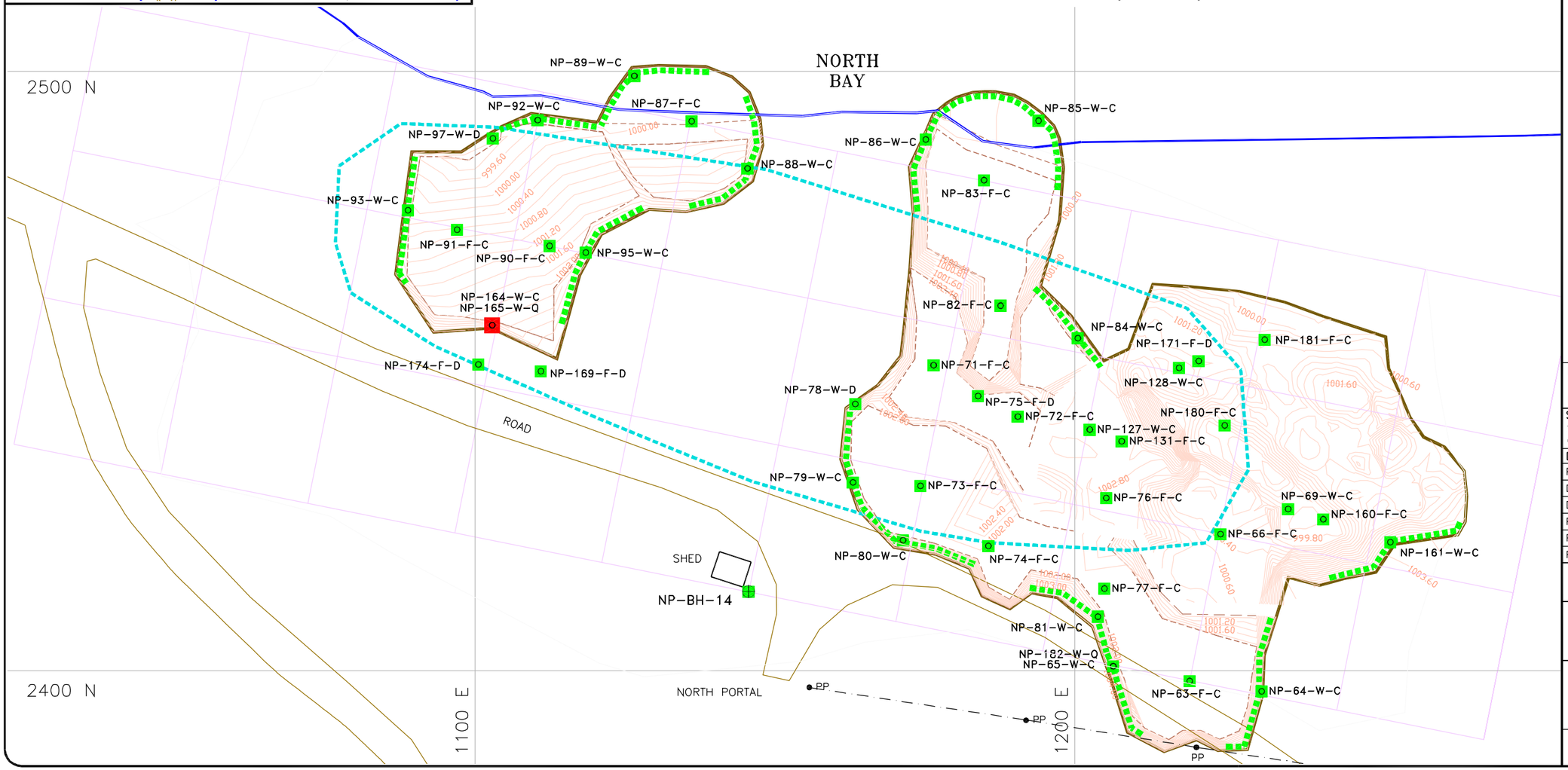
Sample ID	Lead (mg/kg)	Zinc (mg/kg)
NP-63-F-C	230	764
NP-66-F-C	400	1300
NP-71-F-C	344	708
NP-72-F-C	120	633
NP-73-F-C	168	703
NP-74-F-C	284	1710
NP-75-F-D	143	611
NP-76-F-C	114	756
NP-77-F-C	333	908
NP-82-F-C	211	443
NP-83-F-C	191	888
NP-87-F-C	1500	3520
NP-90-F-C	480	1820
NP-91-F-C	302	1590
NP-131-F-C	1550	6310
NP-160-F-C	353	3030
NP-169-F-D	1050	2990
NP-171-F-D	449	2240
NP-174-F-D	1330	5610
NP-180-F-C	97	844
NP-181-F-C	1090	8690

WALL SAMPLES

Sample ID	Lead (mg/kg)	Zinc (mg/kg)
NP-64-W-C	557	4740
NP-65-W-C	307	1740
NP-182-W-Q (Duplicate of NP-65-W-C)	613	2320
NP-69-W-C	1910	7100
NP-78-W-D	303	449
NP-79-W-C	759	389
NP-80-W-C	363	1820
NP-81-W-C	139	705
NP-84-W-C	1630	1720
NP-85-W-C	384	1340
NP-86-W-C	105	538
NP-88-W-C	462	1370
NP-89-W-C	444	2990
NP-92-W-C	149	566
NP-93-W-C	333	855
NP-95-W-C	106	722
NP-97-W-D	579	1170
NP-127-W-C	<100	333
NP-128-W-C	477	6240
NP-161-W-C	1240	9350
NP-164-W-C	1820	8600
NP-165-W-Q (Duplicate of NP-164-W-C)	2030	12100

RESULTS IN **RED** INDICATE SAMPLE CONTAINING
≥ 2000 mg/kg LEAD OR ≥ 10,000 mg/kg ZINC

NOTES:
<100 Less than detection limit
Lead, Zinc Lead or Zinc concentrations obtained from ALS analytical laboratory



LEGEND:

- LOCATION OF EXISTING BUILDING AND/OR FACILITY
- POWER LINE
- PP POWER POLE
- SHORE LINE
- ROADS
- EXCAVATION GRID
- CONTOURS – BASE OF EXCAVATION (m) NOTE: CONTOURS ARE APPROXIMATE AND ARE BASED ON TWO EXCAVATION SURFACES PROVIDED BY SNC LAVALIN
- TOP OR BOTTOM OF SLOPES FROM SNC LAVALIN SURVEY DATA
- AREA OF METAL CONCERN FROM 1999–2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT
- LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION

2003 SAMPLES

- ○ CONFIRMATORY FLOOR OR WALL SAMPLE
- ⊕ NP–BH–14 CONFIRMATORY BOREHOLE SAMPLE

2003 SAMPLE NAMING CONVENTION

NP–95–F–C
- AREA
- SAMPLE ID
- TYPE: C = COMPOSITE SAMPLE (FLOOR–5 SAMPLES IN A 25x25m AREA; WALL–5 SAMPLES ALONG 25m OF WALL); D = DISCRETE SAMPLE; Q = DUPLICATED QUALITY ASSURANCE/ QUALITY CONTROL SAMPLE
- LOCATION: F = FLOOR SAMPLE; I = INTERMEDIATE FLOOR SAMPLE; W = WALL SAMPLE

- SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 10,000 mg/kg ZINC
- SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 2,000 mg/kg LEAD
- AREA OF WALL COMPOSITE WALL SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 10,000 mg/kg ZINC OR 2,000 mg/kg LEAD
- SAMPLE CONTAINS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 10,000 mg/kg ZINC
- SAMPLE CONTAINS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 2,000 mg/kg LEAD

NOTE: THIS IS AREA 22 SHOWN ON FIGURE 1 "CONTAMINATED SOILS REMEDIATION PROGRESS PLAN, DECEMBER 31, 2003"

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NORTH PORTAL STOCKPILE CONDITIONS AFTER REMEDIATION (DECEMBER 31, 2003)

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Appendix I

Polaris Mine Operations Contaminated Soil Remediation Close Out Report: Exploration Stockpile and Shoreline North of Dock

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Close Out Report: Exploration Stockpile and Shoreline North of Dock

BACKGROUND

The exploration stockpile was located adjacent the shoreline north of the dock and to the west of the 1972 portal and is shown as Area 23 on Figure 1*: Contaminated Soils Remediation Progress Plan, December 31, 2003*. Waste rock from both the exploration phase and the pre-development phase of mining at Polaris was deposited in rock dumps near the portal. Ore was stockpiled in this area during the exploration phase prior to being shipped off site to provide bulk samples for metallurgical test work. During the development phase ore was stockpile at this location to provide a readily accessible ore source for the mill during the early production months.

Interviews were conducted during the 1999 and 2000 Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) with long term Polaris personnel indicate that the ore stockpiles were removed for milling by 1984. The historic ore piles were located in close proximity to the Firehall snow dump area used during mine operations. The ESA documented the presence of elevated metal concentrations in testpits and surface samples as shown on Figure ESP-23-1. Hydrocarbon contamination at depths of 0.3 m to 0.9 m was also identified in testpits excavated at the southeast of the exploration stockpile (FH6 and FH7).

Waste rock material from the underground mine comprises limestone shale. Geochemical testing of representative samples of limestone and shale waste rock was conducted in 1999 as part of the ESA performed by Gartner Lee Limited (GLL). The test results indicated these rock types are not acid generating and do not present a risk of metal leaching.

METHODOLOGY

Delineation

To direct field screening sampling of soil and excavation activities a 25 m x 25 m sampling grid was established in the area of suspected metals contamination identified in the 2000 ESA and the surface elevation surveyed by SNC Lavalin.

Delineation of the metals impacted area was accomplished through screening level sampling of the surface and subsurface material. Commencing July 16, 2003, GLL sampled near-surface soil to depths of up to 5cm in accordance with standard GLL and Teck Cominco Limited (TCL) procedures and protocols. The locations of delineation samples are shown on Figure ESP-23-1.

Samples were analysed on-site using a Niton portable X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) elemental analyzer. Subsets of field samples field screened on site were sent to the analytical laboratory Aurora Laboratory Services Ltd. (ALS) of Vancouver, BC, to confirm the level of metals in the soil. Based on the field screening sampling, GLL modified the boundaries of the area to be remediated and directed excavation.

The depth of metal contamination at the south end of the exploration stockpile area was investigated by advancing testpits with an excavator to allow for observation of subsurface soil conditions and the collection of samples at depth. The testpits were excavated to depths between 0.3 m and 1.2 m and samples were collected at 0.3 m intervals.

Excavation

Excavation of the exploration stockpile (ESP) and shoreline north of the dock commenced in late July 2003. Soil within the area delineated as metal contaminated was pushed into stockpiles using the D10 bulldozer and loaded out onto trucks with an excavator.

The contaminated soil was removed in layers ranging from 0.3 m to 1.2 m. Screening level sampling was undertaken after each layer was removed to redefine the remedial boundary of excavation and to direct the removal of discrete areas of residual metals contaminated soil. The depth of the excavation ranged between 0.3 m and 2.0 m within the exploration stockpile area. The limits of the excavation are shown on Figure ESP-23-2.

During excavation a berm was retained along the shoreline of the ESP to prevent the ocean from washing metal contaminated sediment into the marine environment. The removal of the shoreline

berm commenced in October 2003, once the sea ice had formed sufficiently to act as a sediment barrier.

Remediation of the hydrocarbon impacted area identified to the southwest corner exploration stockpile area is currently being addressed under the remediation of the firehall area.

Confirmation Sampling

Soil samples were collected at the excavation limits and submitted to ALS to verify the concentration of metals and additional excavation was undertaken in areas that did not meet the Soil Quality Remediation Objectives (SQROs). Composite samples were collected from 25 m x 25 m areas of the floor of the excavation and over a length of 25 m on the wall of the excavation. Upon receipt of the soil results that met the SQROs the final excavation limits were surveyed.

ANALYTICAL RESULTS

Analytical laboratory results for metals are summarized in Table ESP-23-1, along with the approved Polaris Mine SQRO for lead and zinc. A total of forty one (41) remediation confirmation samples were submitted from the area: twenty nine (29) composite floors, four (4) discrete floors, four (4) composite walls, two (2) discrete walls, and two (2) quality assurance quality control (QA/QC) samples. The soil quality results and the lateral limits of the excavation are shown in Figure ESP-23-2.

The metal remediation confirmation samples met the approved closure plan objectives for the contaminants of concern. The approved site-specific remedial objectives allow for minor exceedances in a small percentage (less than 5%) of the confirmatory samples so long as the concentration is less than twice the remedial target. Minor exceedances were obtained from one confirmation composite floor sample, ESP-247-F-C, returned a lead concentration (2,820 mg/kg lead) above the SQROs. The other forty (40) confirmation samples had lead and zinc concentrations below the SQROs.

Total metal analyses were performed on five (5) randomly selected confirmation samples taken from the final floor of the excavation. Two samples, ESP-128-W-D, ESP-195-F-C, returned barium concentrations, greater than the generic Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines (CEQG) for parkland land use of 500 mg/kg barium in soil. The lead and zinc concentrations in samples ESP-128-W-D and ESP-195-F-C met the SQROs (<100 mg/kg lead, 499 mg/kg zinc and 306 mg/kg lead, 1,570 mg/kg

zinc respectively). No further remedial excavation work is considered necessary to meet the approved closure plan objectives.

Barium is a common gangue mineral associated with lead sulfides, and it is found in cavities in limestone and dolostone. Thus, the presence of elevated concentrations of barium can be attributed to natural mineralization associated with the Polaris limestone/dolostone hosted lead/zinc orebody. The immobile nature of the barium encountered on site was also demonstrated in the 1999 ESA leachate analysis that returned barium concentrations at levels less than detection and it was therefore not identified as a contaminant of concern in the Polaris Mine ESA.

Quality Assurance and Quality Control (QA/QC)

Relative percent differences (RpDs) have been calculated and compiled in Table ESP-23-2 for twelve (12) on-site field screened duplicates, two (2) analytical laboratory duplicates, and five (5) analytical laboratory replicates for a total of nineteen (19) QA/QC samples.

Eighteen (18) of the sample results and their duplicate/replicate results returned acceptable RpDs, below the site specific remediation protocol of 50%. Some of the samples returned results below the practical quantitation limit in which case the RpD value has been identified as “na” (not applicable). One analytical laboratory sample, ESP-186-F-C and its replicate returned a zinc RpD of 59%, which above the objective. The variance between the sample and its replicate may be a result of sample heterogeneity or it may be attributed to the low level of zinc concentrations being analyzed with the sample and the calibration of the laboratory equipment for higher-level concentrations of zinc.

The QA/QC samples from the exploration stockpile area provide confidence that the remediation of the exploration stock area complies with the SQROs.

CONCLUSIONS

Based on confirmatory sampling consistent with good practice and the approved site specific sampling procedures and protocols, the remediation of the exploration stockpile area has been completed to meet the Polaris Mine remedial targets, as documented in the approved Polaris Mine Decommissioning and Remediation Plan, March 2001.

LIMITATIONS

This report has been prepared by Gartner Lee Limited and the information in this report is intended for the use of Teck Cominco Metals Limited during the decommissioning and reclamation program currently underway at the Polaris Mine Site. Any use which a third party makes of this report, or any reliance on or decisions made on the basis of the information in this report is the responsibility of such third parties. Gartner Lee Limited accepts no responsibility for damages, if any, suffered by the third party, based on the use of or reliance on any information contained in this report.

The scope of Gartner Lee Limited's work was limited to that described in this report. The confirmation of environmental conditions at the site of the remedial work is based on sampling at specific wall and floor locations within the excavation limits. Gartner Lee Limited has used judgement in the interpretation of the available information but subsurface physical and/or chemical characteristics may vary between or beyond sampling locations. Gartner Lee Limited is not a guarantor of the environmental condition of the site but warrants only that its work was undertaken and its report prepared in a manner consistent with the level of skill and diligence normally exercised by competent environmental professionals practicing in the Nunavut Territory.

Yours very truly,
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Table ESP-23-2: Exploration Stockpile and Shoreline North of Dock Quality Assurance and Quality Control Remediation Soil Samples

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Figure ESP-23-2: Exploration Stockpile and Shoreline North of Dock Conditions After Remediation (December 31, 2003)

Table ESP-23-1. Exploration Stockpile and Shoreline North of Dock Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

		Location		Exploration Stockpile and Shoreline North of Dock											
		Sample ID		ESP-103-F-C	ESP-104-F-C	ESP-105-F-C	ESP-106-F-C	ESP-109-F-C*	ESP-110-F-C	ESP-114-F-C	ESP-115-F-C	ESP-120-F-D	ESP-124-W-C	ESP-125-W-C	ESP-126-W-D
		Date Sampled		4/8/2003	4/8/2003	4/8/2003	4/8/2003	4/8/2003	4/8/2003	4/8/2003	4/8/2003	4/8/2003	4/8/2003	4/8/2003	4/8/2003
		Field Screen Pb[c] (ppm)		285.66	328.58	804.73	1506.34	616.7	506.7	208.19	447.24	380.73	274.73	1066.33	362.41
		Field Screen Zn[c] (ppm)		1069.16	1043.82	3143.54	5223.84	4120.57	1994.05	598.35	2258.26	2387.01	990.75	5978.18	1547.92
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME Guidelines**		Analytical Results											
		CEQG (PL)[a]	**SQRO[b]**												
Physical Tests															
pH		-	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Metals															
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	<20[e]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	<10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	398	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	<1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	<4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	194	164	1250	1530	527	778	192	287	163	101	520	146
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	7	-	<0.05	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	<8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	<3[e]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	<4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	<10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	839	467	6850	4410	2200	4680	521	3600	674	375	2550	519

Associated ALS Analytics files: T6394, T4327, T3582, T3279, T2886, T2587

Notes:

Bold	*Exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Guidelines for Parkland Land Use*
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d) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Tier 1 parkland land use interim remediation criteria, where soil quality gudelines based on the CCME soil protocol have not been developed yet.

e) The analytical method detection limit (MDL) exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Remediation Guidelines for parkland land use (PL).

** Sample ESP-109-F-C is recorded incorrectly as ESP-109-Comp-F in ALS report T2587*

Table ESP-23-1. Exploration Stockpile and Shoreline North of Dock Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

		Location		Exploration Stockpile and Shoreline North of Dock											
		Sample ID		ESP-128-W-D*	ESP-129-F-D	ESP-133-I-C	ESP-135-I-C	ESP-136-I-C	ESP-137-I-C	ESP-138-I-C	ESP-139-I-C	ESP-140-I-C**	ESP-141-I-C	ESP-142-I-C	ESP-143-I-C
		Date Sampled		4/8/2003	7/28/2003	9/8/2003	9/8/2003	9/8/2003	9/8/2003	9/8/2003	9/8/2003	9/8/2003	9/8/2003	9/8/2003	9/8/2003
		Field Screen Pb[c] (ppm)		240.22	497.58	700	419.07	390.25	415.81	473	424.01	393.34	324.51	325.85	415.17
		Field Screen Zn[c] (ppm)		1231.01	2060.01	1787.57	1341.62	1188.88	1459.92	1362.37	1137.64	1252.45	768.96	905.02	1179.04
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME Guidelines**		Analytical Results											
		CEQG (PL)[a]	**SQRO[b]**												
Physical Tests															
pH		-	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	9
Total Metals															
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	<20[e]	-	-	-	-	-	<20[e]	-	-	-	-	<20[e]
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	<10	-	-	-	-	-	<10	-	-	-	-	<10
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	**565**	-	-	-	-	-	49	-	-	-	-	96
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	<1	-	-	-	-	-	<1	-	-	-	-	<1
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	<1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	5
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	<4	-	-	-	-	-	<4	-	-	-	-	<4
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	<4	-	-	-	-	-	<4	-	-	-	-	<4
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	<2	-	-	-	-	-	<2	-	-	-	-	2
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	<100	<100	301	221	218	740	<200	265	785	<200	<200	511
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	7	-	<0.05	-	-	-	-	-	<0.05	-	-	-	-	<0.05
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	<8	-	-	-	-	-	<8	-	-	-	-	<8
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	<10	-	-	-	-	-	<10	-	-	-	-	<10
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	<2[e]	-	-	-	-	-	<3[e]	-	-	-	-	<3[e]
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	<4	-	-	-	-	-	<4	-	-	-	-	<4
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	<10	-	-	-	-	-	<10	-	-	-	-	<10
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	9
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	499	1750	1300	819	786	1700	659	798	2770	464	906	1980

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*** Sample ESP-140-I-C is recorded incorrectly as sample ESP-140-I-D in ALS report T2886*

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		Location	Exploration Stockpile and Shoreline North of Dock											
		Sample ID	ESP-150-I-D*	ESP-151-I-D**	ESP-153-I-Q (duplicate of ESP-137-I-C)***	ESP-168-F-C	ESP-169-F-C	ESP-170-F-C	ESP-171-F-C	ESP-172-F-C	ESP-173-F-C	ESP-186-F-C****	ESP-195-F-C	ESP-196-W-C
		Date Sampled	9/8/2003	9/8/2003	10/8/2003	25/8/2003	25/8/2003	25/8/2003	25/8/2003	25/8/2003	25/8/2003	29/8/2003	19/09/2003	19/09/2003
		Field Screen Pb[c] (ppm)	468.37	350.07	495.91	2684.4	202.22	9207.62	3575.91	9387.91	3354.58	na	276.23	469.47
		Field Screen Zn[c] (ppm)	1450.99	866.05	1895.58	25161.48	1296.78	71470.59	26125.28	64278.2	20872.24	na	1347.23	2585.3
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME Guidelines**		Analytical Results										
		CEQG (PL)[a]	**SQRO[b]**											
Physical Tests														
pH		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-
Total Metals														
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<20[e]	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<10	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	**1280**	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<1	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<4	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	312	<200	1510	256	514	254	345	97	246	143	306	674
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<0.05	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<8	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<4[e]	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<4	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<10	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	953	527	4130	614	1030	1350	1600	802	1090	719	1570	1520

Associated ALS Analytics files: T6394, T4327, T3582, T3279, T2886, T2587

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**** Sample ESP-153-I-Q was recorded as ESP-153-I-C in ALS report T2886*

***** Sample ESP-186-F-C was incorrectly recorded as ESP-186-W-C in ALS report T3582*

Table ESP-23-1. Exploration Stockpile and Shoreline North of Dock Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples - Metals

		Location		Exploration Stockpile and Shoreline North of Dock				
		Sample ID		ESP-197-W-C	ESP-198-F-Q (Duplicate of ESP 195-F-C)	ESP-245-F-C	ESP-246-F-C	ESP-247-F-C
		Date Sampled		19/09/2003	19/9/2003	4/11/2003	4/11/2003	4/11/2003
		Field Screen Pb[c] (ppm)		427.61	276.23	na	na	na
		Field Screen Zn[c] (ppm)		1455.17	1347.23	na	na	na
Parameter	**Units**	**Federal CCME Guidelines**		Analytical Results				
		CEQG (PL)[a]	**SQRO[b]**					
Physical Tests								
pH		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Metals								
Antimony T-Sb	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arsenic T-As	mg/kg	12	-	-	-	-	-	-
Barium T-Ba	mg/kg	500	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beryllium T-Be	mg/kg	4[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cadmium T-Cd	mg/kg	10	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chromium T-Cr	mg/kg	64	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cobalt T-Co	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-
Copper T-Cu	mg/kg	63	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lead T-Pb	mg/kg	-	2000	264	677	670	1090	***2820***
Mercury T-Hg	mg/kg	7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Molybdenum T-Mo	mg/kg	10[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nickel T-Ni	mg/kg	50	-	-	-	-	-	-
Selenium T-Se	mg/kg	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Silver T-Ag	mg/kg	20[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tin T-Sn	mg/kg	50[d]	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanadium T-V	mg/kg	130	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zinc T-Zn	mg/kg	-	10000	767	2440	5410	8250	3700

Associated ALS Analytics files: T6394, T4327, T3582, T3279, T2886, T2587

Notes:

Bold	*Exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Guidelines for Parkland Land Use*
Bold	*Exceeds the CCME Tier 3 Risk-Based Soil Soil Quality Remedial Objectives for the Polaris Mine Site*

<= Less than analytical method detection limit

"-" = No analysis performed for given parameter, or no guideline

na = No field screening result available

a) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines (CEQG) - Tier 1 soil quality remediation guidelines for parkland land use (PL). The site specific factors used for determining the soil quality guideline include: soil ingestion, soil contact, and nutrient cycling.

b) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Tier 3 Risk based soil quality remedial objective (SQRO) for the Polaris Mine Site.

c) Field screening measurements are based on the Niton XLi 700 Series portable X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) elemental analyser.

d) Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment (CCME) Tier 1 parkland land use interim remediation criteria, where soil quality gudelines based on the CCME soil protocol have not been developed yet.

e) The analytical method detection limit (MDL) exceeds the CCME Tier 1 Soil Quality Remediation Guidelines for parkland land use (PL).

Table ESP-23-2. Exploration Stockpile and Shoreline North of Dock Quality Assurance and Quality Control Remediation Soil Samples

Gartner Lee	Parameter	Pb		Zn		Total Pb			Total Zn		
	Relative Percent Difference (RpD)[a]	MDL	PQL[b]	MDL	PQL[b]	Sample Pb	Duplicate Pb	RpD[a] (%)	Sample Zn	Duplicate Zn	RpD[a] (%)
Sample ID	**Duplicate ID**										
On Site Field Screening Duplicates											
ESP-5-I-D	ESP-255-I-Q	70	350	150	750	1346	1489	5.0	8890	9719	4.5
ESP-8-I-D	ESP-256-I-Q	70	350	150	750	1189	1140	2.1	6724	4502	19.8
ESP-17-I-D	ESP-257-I-Q	70	350	150	750	10085	10720	3.1	53793	54310	0.5
ESP-21-I-D	ESP-258-I-Q	70	350	150	750	18831	17590	3.4	101748	100336	0.7
ESP-24-I-D	ESP-259-I-Q	70	350	150	750	16199	17585	4.1	81551	85831	2.6
ESP-42-I-D	ESP-260-I-Q	70	350	150	750	1240	2269	29.3	8186	15745	31.6
ESP-45-I-D	ESP-261-I-Q	70	350	150	750	1605	1725	3.6	10958	9550	6.9
ESP-69-I-D	ESP-254-I-Q	70	350	150	750	3122	2538	10.3	28713	23305	10.4
ESP-137-I-C	ESP-153-I-Q	70	350	150	750	416	496	8.8	1460	1896	13.0
ESP-203-I-C	ESP-250-I-Q	70	350	150	750	6314	8684	15.8	58072	71141	10.1
ESP-204-I-D	ESP-251-I-Q	70	350	150	750	9334	9331	0.0	64902	65516	0.5
ESP-209-I-D	ESP-252-I-Q	70	350	150	750	5225	2923	28.3	107142	54187	32.8
Analytical Laboratory Duplicates											
ESP-137-I-C	ESP-153-I-Q	200	1000	4	20	740	1510	na	1700	4130	41.7
ESP-195-F-C	ESP-198-F-Q	100	500	2	10	306	677	na	1570	2440	21.7
Analytical Laboratory Replicates											
ESP-129-F-D	QC# 349325	100	500	2	10	<100	257	na	1750	1070	24
ESP-135-I-C	QC# 350294	200	1000	4	20	221	437	na	819	1940	41
ESP-169-F-C	QC# 351835	50	250	1	5	514	446	7	1030	770	14
ESP-186-F-C	QC# 352936	100	500	2	10	143	215	na	719	2770	**58.8**
ESP-195-F-C	QC# 356057	100	500	2	10	306	315	na	1570	1630	1.9

Notes:

Bold *RpD value is greater than or equal to 50% and the concentrations of both samples are greater than the practical quantitation limit (PQL)*

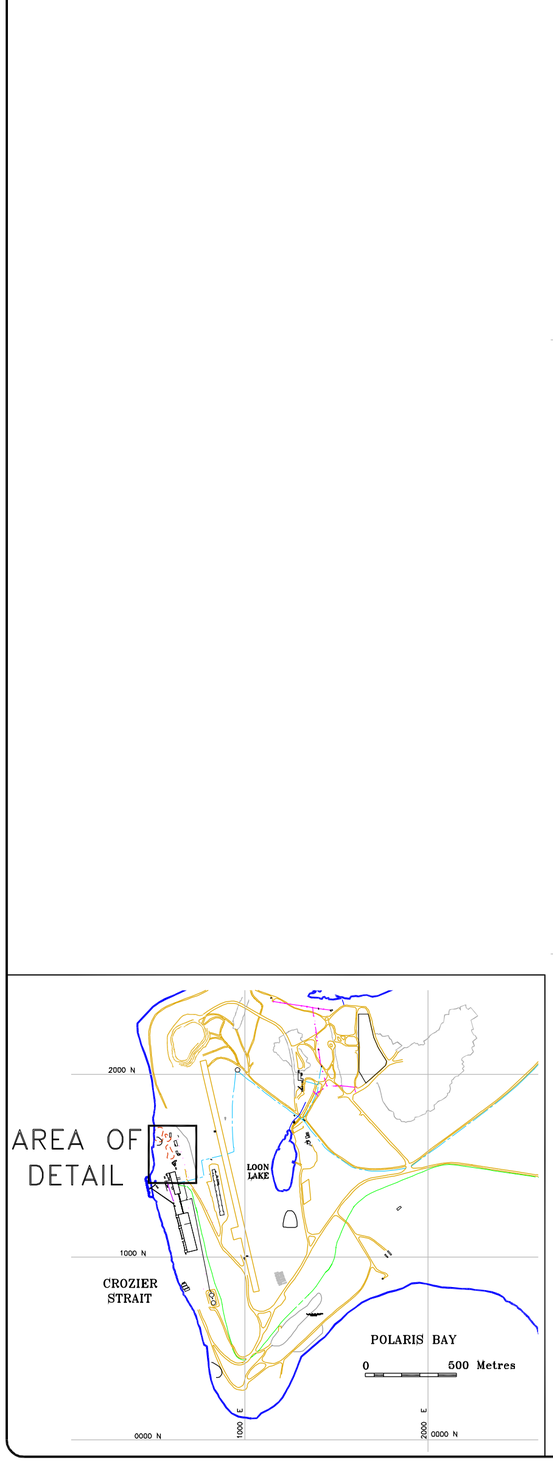
"na" = RpD value is not applicable because one or both results are less than the practical quantitation limit (PQL).

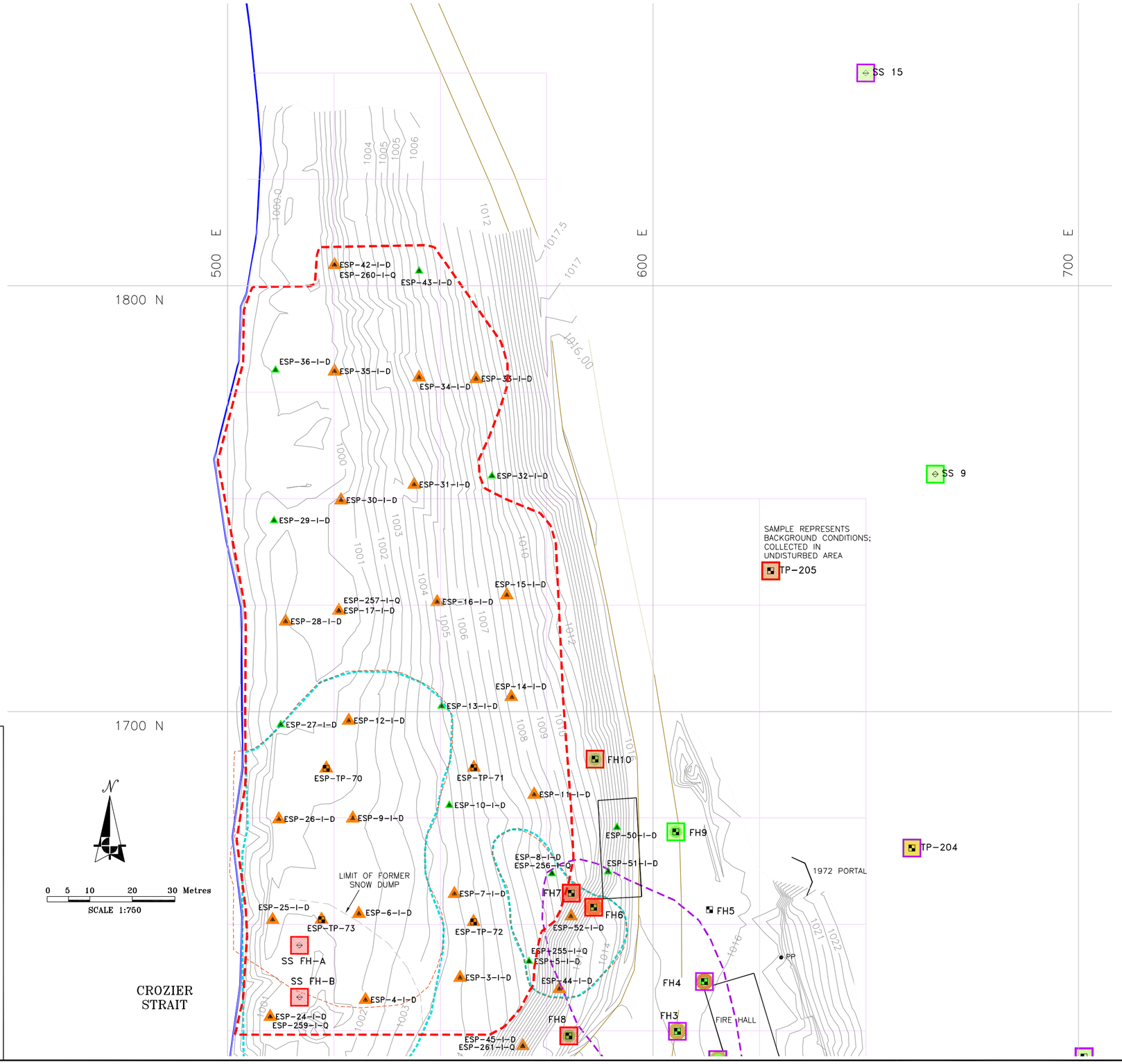
"-" = no result for given parameter

"<" = less than analytical method detection limit

*a) Relative Percent Difference = RpD = (Difference/Average) * 100*

*b) Practical Quantitation Limit (PQL)=5 * Method Detection Limit (MDL)*





LEGEND:

- LOCATION OF EXISTING BUILDING AND/OR FACILITY
- SHORE LINE
- ROADS
- LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION
- EXCAVATION GRID
- GROUND CONTOURS BEFORE REMEDIATION (m)
- FORMER LOCATION OF ORE STOCKPILE
- LIMIT OF FORMER SNOW DUMP
- AREA OF CONCERN FOR HYDROCARBON CONTAMINATION FROM THE 1999–2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT (ESA)
- AREA OF CONCERN FOR METALS CONTAMINATION FROM THE 1999–2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT (ESA)
- PP — POWER POLE
- FH5 — TEST PIT – 1999 AND 2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENTS
- SS 22 — SURFACE SAMPLE (1999/2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT)
- ESP-TP-70 — TEST PIT – 2003
- ESP-168-F-C — FIELD SCREENING SURFACE SAMPLE (2003)

ZINC CONCENTRATION IN SOILS (1999 & 2000 DATA)

- 0–1000 PPM
- 1000–5000 PPM
- 5000–10,000 PPM
- >10,000 PPM

LEAD CONCENTRATION IN SOILS (1999 & 2000 DATA)

- 0–1,000 PPM
- 1,000–2,000 PPM
- > 2,000 PPM

EPH CONCENTRATION IN SOILS (1999 & 2000 DATA)

- EPH 10–19 OR EPH 19–32 CONCENTRATION IN SOIL LESS THAN 1,000 mg/kg
- EPH 10–19 OR EPH 19–32 CONCENTRATION IN SOIL GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 1,000 mg/kg

2003 FIELD SCREENING RESULTS

- FIELD SCREENING RESULTS USING NITON XRF ANALYZER INDICATE LEAD CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL ≥ 1,500 ppm AND/OR ZINC CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL ≥ 8,500 ppm
- FIELD SCREENING RESULTS USING NITON XRF ANALYZER INDICATE LEAD CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL < 1,500 ppm AND/OR ZINC CONCENTRATIONS IN SOIL < 8,500 ppm

NOTE:
THIS IS AREA 23 SHOWN ON FIGURE 1 "CONTAMINATED SOILS REMEDIATION PROGRESS PLAN, DECEMBER 31, 2003"

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2003 CONFIRMATION SAMPLES

FLOOR SAMPLES

Sample ID	Lead (mg/kg)	Zinc (mg/kg)
ESP-103-F-C	194	839
ESP-104-F-C	164	467
ESP-105-F-C	1250	6850
ESP-106-F-C	1530	4410
ESP-109-F-C	527	2200
ESP-110-F-C	778	4680
ESP-114-F-C	192	521
ESP-115-F-C	287	3600
ESP-120-F-D	163	674
ESP-129-F-D	<100	1750
ESP-133-I-C	301	1300
ESP-135-I-C	221	819
ESP-136-I-C	218	786
ESP-137-I-C	740	1700
ESP-153-I-Q (duplicate of ESP-137-I-C)	1510	4130
ESP-138-I-C	<200	659
ESP-139-I-C	265	798
ESP-140-I-C	785	2770
ESP-141-I-C	<200	464
ESP-142-I-C	<200	906
ESP-143-I-C	511	1980
ESP-150-I-D	312	953
ESP-151-I-D	<200	527
ESP-168-F-C	256	614
ESP-169-F-C	514	1030
ESP-170-F-C	254	1350
ESP-171-F-C	345	1600
ESP-172-F-C	97	802
ESP-173-F-C	246	1090
ESP-186-F-C	143	719
ESP-195-F-C	306	1570
ESP-198-F-Q (Duplicate of ESP-195-F-C)	677	2440
ESP-245-F-C	670	5410
ESP-246-F-C	1090	8250
ESP-247-F-C	2820	3700

WALL SAMPLES

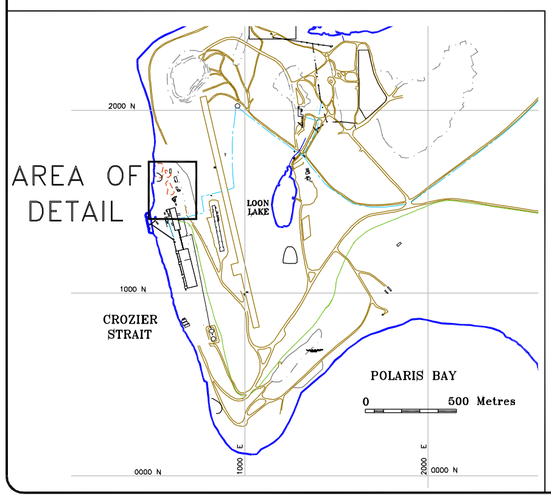
ESP-124-W-C	101	375
ESP-125-W-C	520	2550
ESP-126-W-D	146	519
ESP-128-W-D	<100	499
ESP-196-W-C	674	1520
ESP-197-W-C	264	767

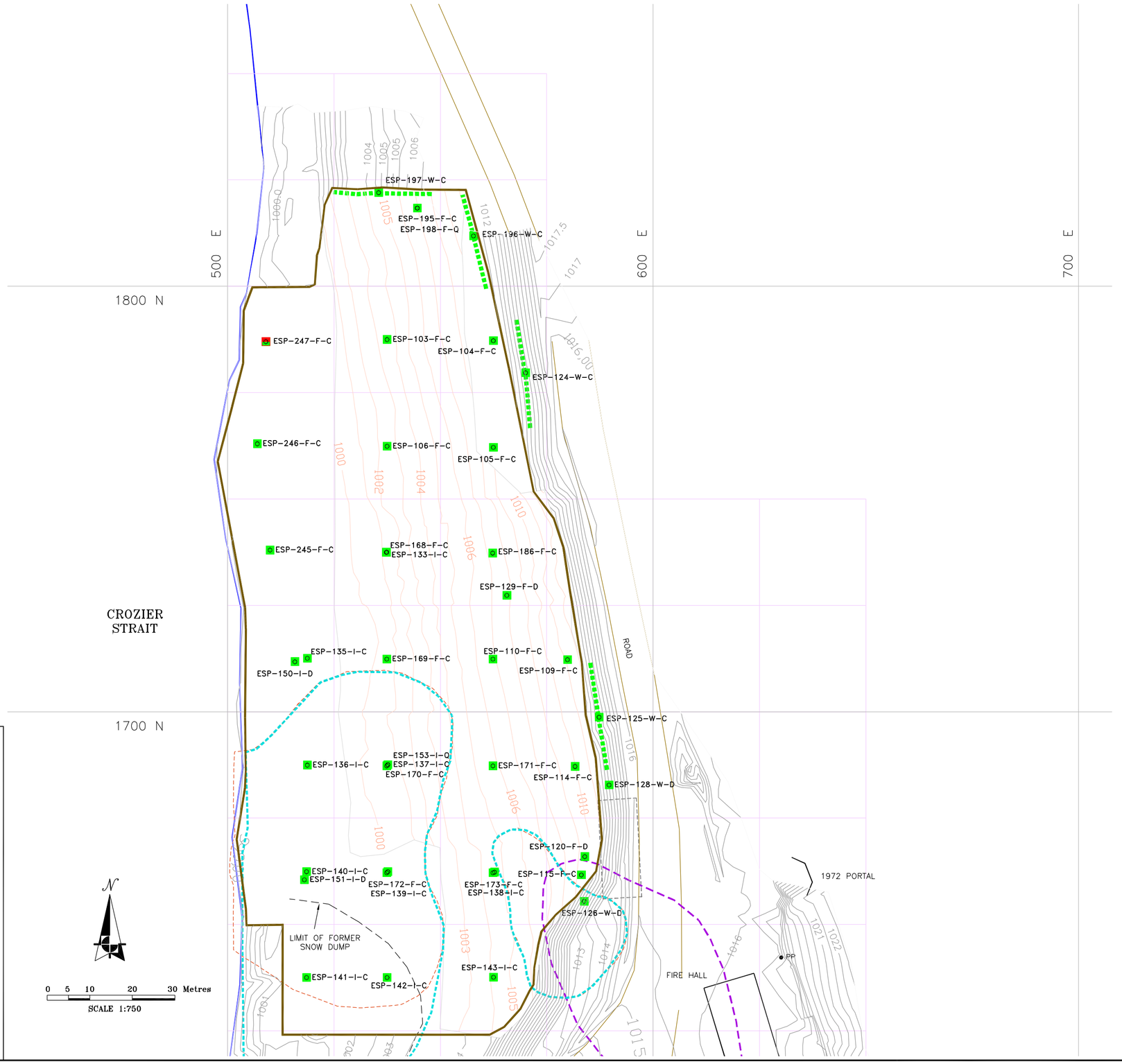
RESULTS IN **RED** INDICATE SAMPLE CONTAINING
≥ 2000 mg/kg LEAD OR ≥ 10,000 mg/kg ZINC

NOTES:

<100, <200 Less than detection limit

Lead, Zinc Lead or Zinc concentrations obtained from ALS analytical laboratory





LEGEND:

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- PP POWER POLE
- FORMER LOCATION OF BUILDINGS AND FACILITES (REMOVED)
- SHORE LINE
- ROADS
- EXCAVATION GRID
- CONTOURS – BASE OF EXCAVATION (m)
- GROUND CONTOURS (m) BASED ON SEPT. 2003 SURVEY
- FORMER LOCATION OF ORE STOCKPILE
- LIMIT OF FORMER SNOW DUMP
- LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION
- AREA OF METAL CONCERN FROM 1999–2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT
- AREA OF HYDROCARBON CONCERN FROM 1999–2000 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT

2003 SAMPLES

- CONFIRMATORY FLOOR OR WALL SAMPLE

2003 SAMPLE NAMING CONVENTION

AREA – SAMPLE ID

ESP-109-F-C

TYPE
C= COMPOSITE SAMPLE FLOOR–5 SAMPLES IN A 25x25m AREA WALL–5 SAMPLES ALONG 25m OF WALL
D= DISCRETE SAMPLE
Q= DUPLICATED QUALITY ASSURANCE/ QUALITY CONTROL SAMPLE

LOCATION F= FLOOR SAMPLE
I= INTERMEDIATE FLOOR SAMPLE
W= WALL SAMPLE

- SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 10,000 mg/kg ZINC
- SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 2,000 mg/kg LEAD
- AREA OF WALL COMPOSITE WALL SAMPLE CONTAINS LESS THAN 10,000 mg/kg ZINC OR 2,000 mg/kg LEAD
- SAMPLE CONTAINS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 10,000 mg/kg ZINC
- SAMPLE CONTAINS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 2,000 mg/kg LEAD

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Figure No. ESP-23-2

Appendix J

Polaris Mine Operations Contaminated Soil Remediation Close Out Report: 2002 Fuel Spill

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Gartner Lee Limited

December 31, 2003

Mr. Bruce Donald
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Dear Mr. Donald:

Re: 23305 – Polaris Mine Operations Contaminated Soil Remediation
Close Out Report: 2002 Fuel Spill

BACKGROUND

On June 25, 2002, a fuel spill occurred at the Polaris Mine site, as a result of the discharge of standing water that was impacted with diesel fuel, from within the containment berm of the fuel tank farm. Residual hydrocarbon contaminated sediment remained present down gradient of the point of discharge following clean up efforts in 2002. The 2002 Fuel Spill is located down gradient of the fuel tank farm and it is shown as Area 24 on Figure 1: *Contaminated Soils Remediation Progress Plan, December 31, 2003*.

The spill response measures undertaken and the results of an environmental investigation conducted by Gartner Lee Limited (GLL) are documented in the *2002 Fuel Spill Assessment, Polaris Mine, Nunavut,* dated November 2002. The results of a field investigation concluded that hydrocarbon contamination remained between the down slope boundary of a ditch on the west side of the road, the West Interceptor Ditch, and the low tide contour over a length of 40 meters, the "40 m Zone". The 2002 Fuel Spill Assessment concluded that residual impacted soil could be removed during the overall site remediation.

In 2003, the hydrocarbon impacts within the 40 m Zone appeared as discontinuous hydrocarbon stains within the beach sediment as shown on Figure SPL02-24-1. The residual impacted sediment was removed during the overall Site remediation in accordance with the approved *Polaris Mine Decommission and Remediation Plan*, March 2001.

METHODOLOGY

Excavation

On June 26, 2003, excavation of the 40 m Zone commenced between the low tide contour and the West Interceptor Ditch. At the time of excavation, the sea ice was frozen to the ocean floor. The ice conditions therefore, acted as a silt barrier between the excavation and the aquatic environment. To further minimize ocean sediment disturbance, excavation was undertaken at low tide.

Absorbent booms and pads were kept on site to mitigate any possible petroleum hydrocarbon seeps into the marine environment.

To direct the excavation of the hydrocarbon contaminated sediment, visual and olfactory indications were used, along with field screening measurements of the concentrations of organic vapours in sediment samples. The field screening measurements were obtained using a portable photo- ionization detector (PID) to measure the concentrations of organic vapours in the headspace of the sample bags. The limits of the excavation are shown on Figure SPL02-24-2. The material excavated was disposed of underground mine workings in accordance with regulatory approvals.

Confirmation Sampling

Discrete sediment samples were collected at 10 m intervals from within the excavation on July 11, 2003 and September 5, 2003 and sent to Aurora Laboratory Services Ltd. (ALS) of Vancouver, BC, to verify the presence and nature of the hydrocarbon compounds. Upon receipt of these results the area was backfilled in order to control erosion of the roadway.

ANALYTICAL RESULTS

The analytical laboratory results are summarized in Tables SPL02-24-1 and SPL02-24-2, along with the approved Polaris Mine soil quality remediation objectives (SQROs)[1] for hydrocarbons

[1] *Polaris Mine Decommission and Remediation Plan*, March 2001.

and the generic Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines (CEQG) for hydrocarbons in marine sediment[2], respectively. A total of nine (9) discrete floor remediation confirmation soil samples were submitted for analyses. All samples returned hydrocarbon concentrations below the SQROs. Two (2) samples were analyzed for polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons and both samples returned results below the generic CEQG probable effect levels for marine sediment. The sediment quality results and the lateral limits of the excavation are shown on Figure SPL02-24-2.

CONCLUSIONS

Based on confirmatory sampling, consistent with good practice and the approved site specific sampling procedures and protocols, the remediation of the 2002 Fuel Spill area has been completed to meet the Polaris Mine remedial targets, as documented in the approved *Polaris Mine Decommissioning and Remediation Plan*, March 2001 and the CEQG guidelines for marine sediment.

LIMITATIONS

This report has been prepared by Gartner Lee Limited and the information in this report is intended for the use of Teck Cominco Metals Limited during the decommissioning and reclamation program currently underway at the Polaris Mine Site. Any use which a third party makes of this report, or any reliance on or decisions made on the basis of the information in this report is the responsibility of such third parties. Gartner Lee Limited accepts no responsibility for damages, if any, suffered by the third party, based on the use of or reliance on any information contained in this report.

The scope of Gartner Lee Limited's work was limited to that described in this report. The confirmation of environmental conditions at the site of the remedial work is based on sampling at specific wall and floor locations within the excavation limits. Gartner Lee Limited has used judgement in the interpretation of the available information but subsurface physical and/or chemical characteristics may vary between or beyond sampling locations. Gartner Lee Limited is

[2] *Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines* (CEQG) for sediment, Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (CCME), Winnipeg MB, 1999.

not a guarantor of the environmental condition of the site but warrants only that its work was undertaken and its report prepared in a manner consistent with the level of skill and diligence normally exercised by competent environmental professionals practicing in the Nunavut Territory.

Yours very truly,
GARTNER LEE LIMITED

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Remediation Supervisor, Polaris Mine

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ATTACHMENTS

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Table SPL02-24-1: 2002 Fuel Spill Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples – Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbon
Table SPL02-24-2: 2002 Fuel Spill Remediation Confirmation Soil Samples – Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbon

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Figure SPL02-24-1: 2002 Fuel Spill Conditions Before Remediation
Figure SPL02-24-2: 2002 Fuel Spill Conditions After Remediation

Table SPL 02-24-1. 2002 Fuel Spill Remediation Confirmation Sediment Samples - Hydrocarbons

Gartner Lee	Location	June 2002 Spill Zone								
	Sample ID	SPL02-2-F-D	SPL02-3-F-D	SPL02-4-F-D	SPL02-5-F-D	SPL02-6-F-D	SPL02-7-F-D	SPL02-8-F-D	SPL02-9-F-D	SPL02-10-F-D
	Date	7/12/2003	7/12/2003	7/12/2003	7/12/2003	9/5/2003	9/5/2003	9/5/2003	9/5/2003	9/5/2003
	Field Screen (ppm)[b]	20	25	45	25	-	-	-	-	-
Parameter	**Units**	**Polaris Mine SQROs[a]**	**Analytical Results**							
Extractable Hydrocarbons										
EPH (C_{10}-C_{19})[c]	mg/kg	1000 [d]	<200	<200	271	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200
EPH (C_{19}-C_{32})[c]	mg/kg	1000 [d]	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200	<200
LEPH (C_{10}-C_{19})[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	<200	-	-	-	-	<200	-	-
HEPH (C_{19}-C_{32})[d]	mg/kg	1000	-	<200	-	-	-	-	<200	-	-

Associated ALS Files : T1541, T4079

Bold *Concentration exceeds the Soil Quality Remediation Objective (SQRO) for the Polaris Mine Site*

"<" = less than analytical method detection limit

"-" = no result for given parameter

a) The Soil Quality Remediation Objective for the Polaris Mine Site is based on the Yukon Territorial Contaminated Sites Regulation (CSR) for Parkland Use

b) Field screening measurements are based on the 'dry headspace' method using a combustible gas meter calibrated to a hexane standard.

c) EPH stands for extractable petroleum hydrocarbon

d) LEPH and HEPH stand for light and heavy extractable petroleum hydrocarbons.

e) LEPH/HEPH is determined by subtracting polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) from EPH, therefore use of the EPH remediation objective is conservative.

Table SPL 02-24-2. 2002 Spill Fuel Remedition Confirmation Sediment Samples - Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons

Gartner Lee	FEDERAL CEQG GUIDELINES		Sample Location	June 2002 Fuel Spill	
			Sample ID	SPL02-3-F-C	SPL02-8-F-D
	Marine Sediment		Date Sampled	7/12/2003	9/5/2003
	ISQG[b]	PEL[c]	Field Screen (ppm)[d]	25	-
Parameter			**Units**	**Analytical Results**	
Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)					
Acenaphthene	*0.00671*	0.0889	mg/kg	<0.04	<0.04
Acenaphthylene	*0.00587*	0.128	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05
Anthracene	*0.0469*	0.245	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05
Benz(a)anthracene	*0.0748*	0.693	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05
Benzo(a)pyrene	*0.0888*	0.763	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	-	-	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05
Benzo(g,h,i)perylene	-	-	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05
Benzo(k)fluoranthene	-	-	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05
Chrysene	*0.108*	0.846	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene	*0.00622*	0.135	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05
Fluoranthene	*0.113*	11.494	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05
Fluorene	*0.0212*	0.144	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05
Indeno(1,2,3-c,d)pyrene	-	-	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05
Naphthalene	*0.0346*	0.391	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05
Phenanthrene	*0.0867*	0.544	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05
Pyrene	*0.153*	1.398	mg/kg	<0.05	<0.05

Associated ALS files: T4079, T1541

BOLD Concentration greater than or equal the generic CEQG PEL for marine sediment

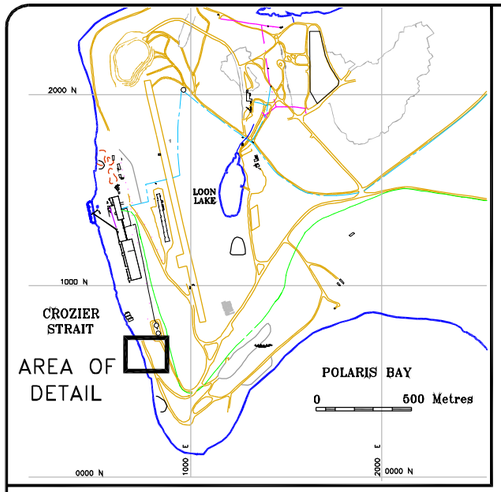
Notes:
< = Less than the detection limit indicated.
- = Analysis not conducted, or no guideline.

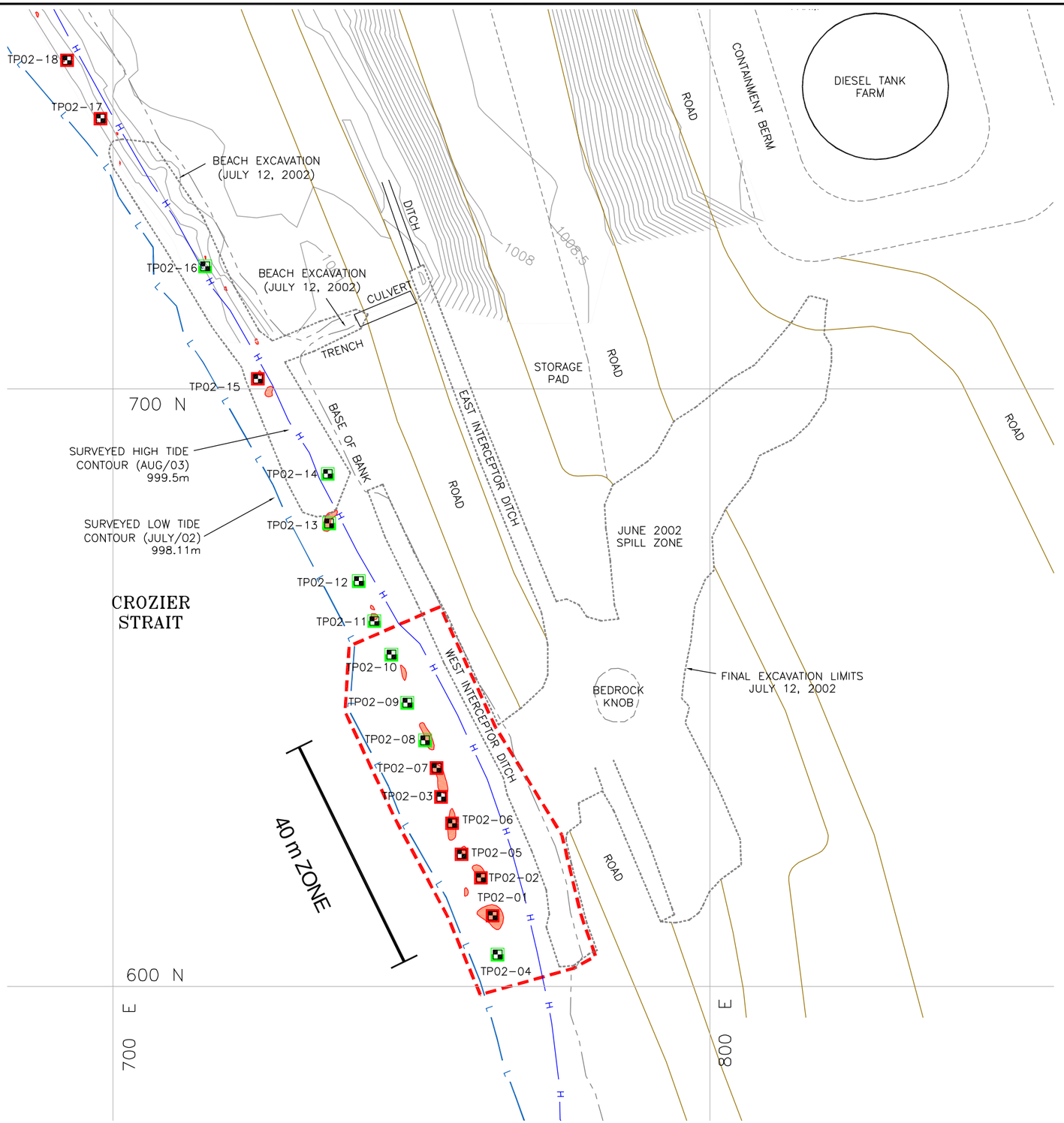
[a] CEQG - Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines

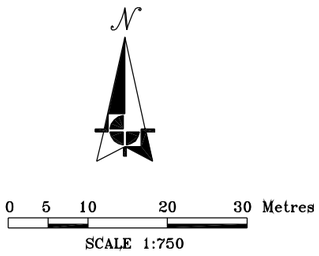
[b] *ISQG* - Interim Sediment Quality Guidelines (dry weight)

[c] **PEL** - Probable Effect Levels (dry weight)

[d] Field screening results are measured based on a 'dry headspace' method.







LEGEND:

- LOCATION OF EXISTING BUILDING AND/OR FACILITY
- ROADS
- GROUND CONTOURS BEFORE REMEDIATION (m)
- TOE OF SLOPE
- EDGE OF BERM/ROADWAY
- H — HIGH WATER MARK (SURVEYED AUGUST 2003)
- L — LOW WATER MARK (SURVEYED 19:50 h JULY 10, 2002)
- LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION
- LIMIT OF 2002 EXCAVATION
- TP02-08 — TEST PIT – 2002 FUEL SPILL ASSESSMENT

2002 FUEL SPILL ASSESSMENT

- HYDROCARBON SURFACE STAINS (JULY 9, 2002)
- SEDIMENT ANALYTICAL RESULTS ARE LESS THAN THE POLARIS MINE SOIL REMEDIATION OBJECTIVES AND/OR CCME CEQG MARINE SEDIMENT QUALITY GUIDELINES FOR HYDROCARBONS.
- SEDIMENT ANALYTICAL RESULTS ARE GREATER THAN POLARIS MINE SOIL REMEDIATION OBJECTIVES AND/OR CCME CEQG MARINE SEDIMENT QUALITY GUIDELINES FOR HYDROCARBONS.

NOTE:
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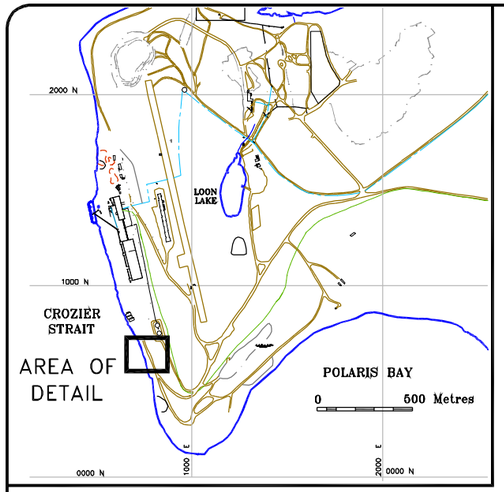

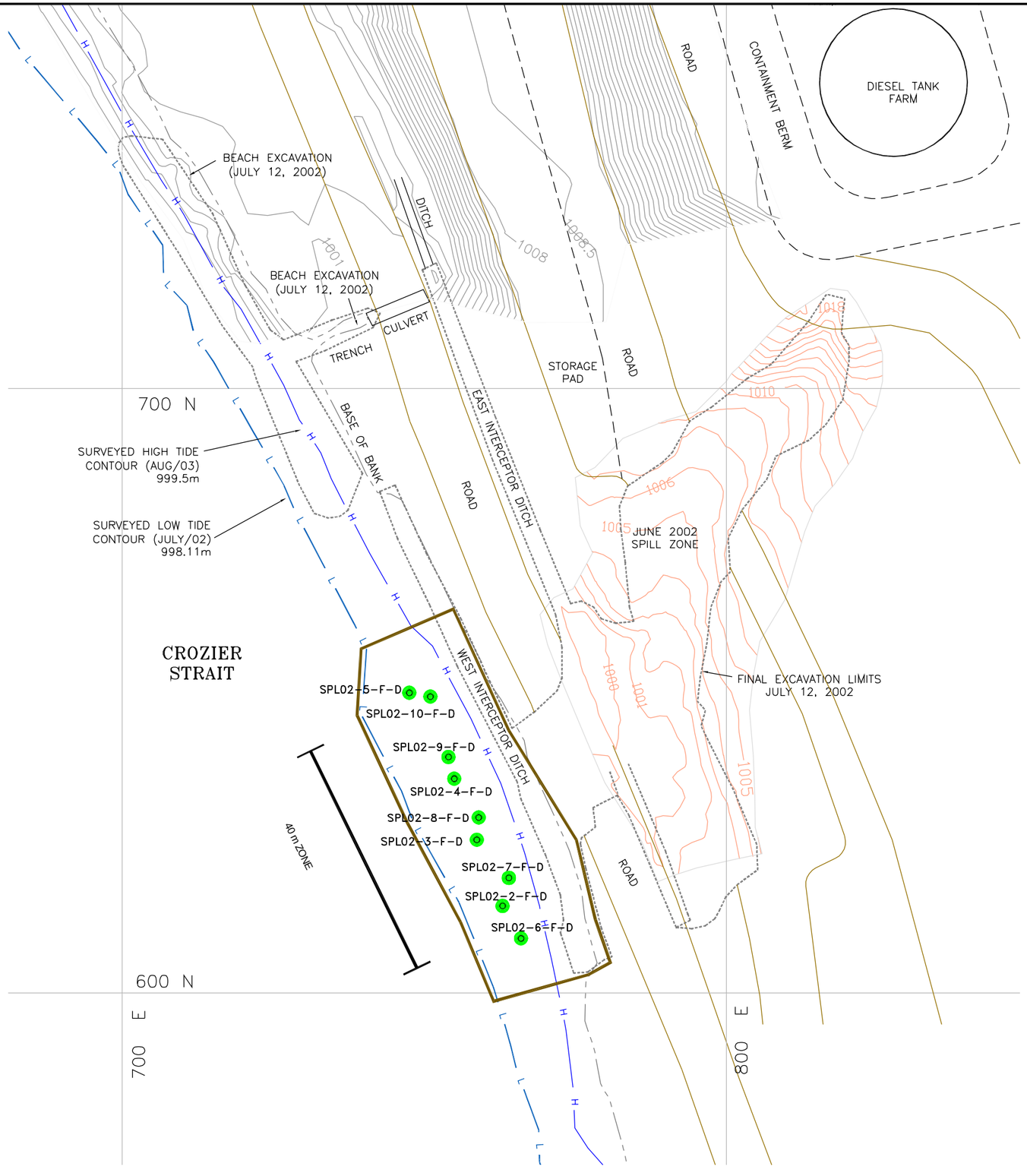

0 5 10 20 30 Metres

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2003 CONFIRMATION SAMPLES

EXCAVATION FLOOR SAMPLES

Sample ID	EPH 10-19 (mg/kg)	EPH 19-32 (mg/kg)
SPL02-2-F-D	<200	<200
SPL02-3-F-D	<200	<200
SPL02-4-F-D	271	<200
SPL02-5-F-D	<200	<200
SPL02-6-F-D	<200	<200
SPL02-7-F-D	<200	<200
SPL02-8-F-D	<200	<200
SPL02-9-F-D	<200	<200
SPL02-10-F-D	<200	<200

NOTES:

<200 Less than detection limit

EHP10-19 Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbon (Carbon fraction 10-19) concentration obtained from ALS analytical laboratory

EPH19-32 Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbon (Carbon fraction 19-32) concentration obtained from ALS analytical laboratory

LEGEND:

- LOCATION OF EXISTING BUILDING AND/OR FACILITY
- ROADS
- LIMIT OF EXCAVATION SURVEY
- TOE OF SLOPE
- EDGE OF BERM/ROADWAY
- H — HIGH WATER MARK (SURVEYED AUGUST 2003)
- L — LOW WATER MARK (SURVEYED 19:50 h JULY 10, 2002)
- CONTOURS – BASE OF 2002 EXCAVATION (m)
- GROUND CONTOURS (m) BASED ON SEPT. 2003 SURVEY
- LIMIT OF 2003 EXCAVATION
- LIMIT OF 2002 EXCAVATION

2003 SAMPLES

- CONFIRMATORY FLOOR OR WALL SAMPLE

2003 SAMPLE NAMING CONVENTION

AREA — SAMPLE ID

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TYPE
- C= COMPOSITE SAMPLE FLOOR-5 SAMPLES IN A 25x25m AREA WALL-5 SAMPLES ALONG 25m OF WALL
- D= DISCRETE SAMPLE
- Q= DUPLICATED QUALITY ASSURANCE/ QUALITY CONTROL SAMPLE

LOCATION
- F= FLOOR SAMPLE
- I= INTERMEDIATE FLOOR SAMPLE
- W= WALL SAMPLE

EPH10-19 / EPH19-32 — SOIL SAMPLE FROM EXCAVATION CONTAINS LESS THAN 1,000 mg/kg EPH 10-19 OR EPH 19-32

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