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EXPLORATION LICENCE NO. 4968

ALEXANDRIA STATION, NORTHERN TERRITORY

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#### SUMMARY

Exploration of the tenement area continued, including field examination and investigative drilling, using a truck mounted Hydrapower plant, owned and operated by W. Fick of Darwin. Forty holes were drilled totalling 162.3 metres.

The drilling outlined the approximate limits of the gypsum deposit. The gypsum may occur as one relatively thick layer or in two layers separated by a narrow clay band usually nearing its limits.

The drilling programme is now probably complete and the approximate limits of the deposit have been identified.

#### INTRODUCTION

A test drilling programme, completed during the previous period ending 16.6.88., failed to define the limits of the gypsum deposit currently being mined.

The current exploratory drilling programme was constructed to complete outlining of the limits of the gypsum deposit in the vicinity of the Six Mile Waterhole.

#### WORK DONE

Staff from Northern Cement Pty Ltd. and the writer flew from Darwin down to the licence area to continue field investigations into the gypsum deposit.

Whilst in the field, a drill pattern was laid out for subsequent exploratory drilling and the position of future claims outlined.

Drilling was completed by 28.4.89. Holes were logged initially by Mr. Fick in the field and subsequently by staff from Northern Cement Pty Limited.

The holes logged by Northern Cement have been used for this report.

#### RESULTS

The most recent drilling programme has outlined an irregular shaped gypsum resource. Its greatest length extends for 2.4 kms along a north easterly trend. Its greatest width is 1.5 kms, its least width is 500 metres. Its maximum thickness is 3.5 metres, but the average would be of the order of 1.75 metres. The north western and south eastern boundaries are very irregular.

#### CONCLUSIONS

Exploration of EL No. 4968 has results in the discovery of the first significant and economically viable gypsum deposit in the Northern Territory.

Recent drilling has defined the economic limits of the deposit, outlining a resource that is estimated to contain over one million cubic metres of gypsum within its boundaries.

At this stage, no further drilling appears to be warranted.

The gypsum resource is sufficient to meet the company's needs, at its present rate of consumption, for the foreseeable future.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Analyse the drilling samples to better define the boundaries of the gypsum deposit.

#### EXPENDITURE FOR 1988/89

Drilling costs	6515.20
Logging costs	200.00
Consultant's expenses	1600.00
	\$8315.20

#### PROPOSED PROGRAMME AND ANTICIPATED EXPENDITURE FOR 1989/90

The proposed programme for 1989/90 is the analyses of drilling hole samples taken to define the boundaries of the gypsum deposit. The estimated expenditure of this programme will be in the region of \$3000.

# APPENDIX I

## DRILL LOGS

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## NORTHERN CEMENT PTY LIMITED

DRILL RIG:

Hydrapower

HOLE SIZE:

4.5"

HOLE ANGLE:

Vertical

DRILLED BY:

W. Fick

SAMPLED BY:

W. Fick

LOGGED BY: P.L. Watters

COORDS	<u>DEPTH</u>	DRILLING LOG
24E 10N	1.55 - 3.0	Clay/ Gypsum mixture
24E 8N	2.5 - 3.0	Gypsum with significant clay
24E 6N	2.4 - 3.0	Clay
22E 6N	2.5 - 3.0	Gypsum/ clay mixture
20E 6N	2.0 - 2.4	Gypsum/ clay mixture
18E 6N	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Gypsum/ clay mixture Clay
18E 4N	2.1 - 3.2 3.2 - 4.2	Gypsum/ clay mixture Gypsum
18E 2N	3.1 - 3.6 3.6 - 4.6 4.6 - 5.6	Gypsum/ clay mixture Gypsum with minor clay Gypsum/ clay mixture
18E OON	2.0 - 2.3 2.8 - 4.8 4.8 - 5.8	Gypsum/ clay mixture Gypsum Gypsum with significant clay
18E 2S	3.3 - 3.45	Gypsum/ clay mixture
16E 4N	1.0 - 2.0	Gypsum (very pure)
16E 2N	1.1 - 2.6	Gypsum

COORDS	<u>DEPTH</u>	DRILLING LOG
16E 2S	2.8 - 3.5 3.5 - 4.0	Clay Gypsum/ clay mixture
14E 2N	$ \begin{array}{rrrr} 1.4 & -2.1 \\ 3.0 & -3.5 \\ 3.5 & -4.0 \end{array} $	Gypsum/ clay mixture Gypsum Gypsum/ clay mixture
14E OON	1.0 - 1.5 1.5 - 2.5	Gypsum/ clay mixture Gypsum with minor to significant clay
14E 2S	2.3 - 3.3 3.3 - 3.9	Gypsum with significant clay Gypsum/ clay mixture
12E 00N	1.8 - 3.3	Clay
12E 2S	2.0 - 3.2	Clay
10E 2N	1.8 - 2.8	Gypsum
10E OON	2.3 - 3.4	Gypsum/ clay mixture
8E 2N	1.1 - 2.6	Gypsum with minor clay
8E 00N	1.4 - 2.4 2.4 - 2.9	Gypsum with minor clay Gypsum/ clay mixture
6E 2N	1.2 - 1.7 1.7 - 3.2 3.2 - 4.3	Gypsum with minor clay Gypsum Gypsum with clay contamination
6E OON	$ \begin{array}{rrrr} 1.7 & - & 2.2 \\ 2.2 & - & 3.2 \\ 3.2 & - & 3.7 \end{array} $	Gypsum with minor clay Gypsum Gypsum with minor clay
6E 2S	1.55 - 3.05 3.05 - 6.05	Gypsum with minor clay Limestone
6E 4S	2.0 - 4.5	Limestone
4E OON	2.8 - 6.3	Limestone (good quality)
4E 2S	1.4 - 2.9 2.9 - 4.4	Gypsum/ clay mixture Gypsum with minor clay
4E 4S	1.85 - 3.35	Gypsum/ clay mixture
2E OON	1.0 - 3.0	Gypsum with significant clay contaminations
	3.0 - 4.5	Clay/ gypsum mixture

COORDS	<u>DEPTH</u>	DRILLING LOG
2E 2S	1.05 - 4.0	Gypsum with minor to significant clay
	4.0 - 4.5	Clay/ gypsum mixture
2E 4S	1.8 - 2.8 2.8 - 3.8 3.8 - 4.3	Mixture clay and gypsum Gypsum with minor clay Minimal gypsum with clay

# SUMMARY OF USABLE GYPSUM DEPTHS

COORDS	GYPSUM DEPTH (m)	COMMENTS
24E 10N	0	
24E 8N	0	
24E 6N	0	
22E 6N	0	
20E 6N	0	
20E 4N	0	
20E 2N	0	
20E OON	0	
20E 2S	0	
18E 6N	0	
18E 4N	1.0	Good quality
18E 2N	1.0	Contaminated
18E OON	2.0	Good quality
18E 2S	0	
18E 4S	0	
16E 4N	1.0	Good quality
16E 2N	1.5	Good quality
16E 00N	0	
16E 2S	0	
16E 4S	0 (ii	i)

COORDS	GYPSUM DEPTH (m)	COMMENTS
14E 2N	0.5	Contaminated
14E OON	0	
14E 2S	0	
14E 4S	0	
12E OON	0	
12E 2S	0	
10E 2N	1.0	Contaminated
10E OON	0	
8E 2N	1.5	Contaminated
8E OON	1.0	Contaminated
6E 2N	1.5	Contaminated
6E OON	1.0	Contaminated
6E 2S	1.5	Marginal
6E 4S	0	
4E OON	0	
4E 2S	1.5	Marginal
4E 4S	0	
2E OON	0	
2E 2S	2.9	Marginal
2E 4S	1.0	Marginal

#### Explanation of comments:

Good quality - clean usable gypsum

Contaminated - clay contamination but usable gypsum

Marginal - heavier clay contamination & probably not usable.