

# Annual Exploration Report – Year 2 Exploration Licence SEL 26954

23<sup>rd</sup> September 2010 to 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2011

Holder: Ashton Mining Limited.

**Operator:** North Australian Diamonds Limited

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#### **SUMMARY**

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In January of 2007 North Australian Diamonds Limited entered into a 'Farm-in Agreement' with Ashton Exploration Australia Pty Ltd, Ashton Mining Limited, and A.O. (Australia) Pty Ltd collectively know as the Rio Tinto Parties with respect to earning 100% ownership of the Yambarra Project area in the Northern Territory. An application was made by North Australian Diamonds on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September 2008 and the tenement was subsequently granted on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of September 2009.

Work undertaken during the reporting period has involved desktop research of historic exploration, preparation of work programs and reporting.

*The total expenditure for the reporting period was \$10,200.* 

#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

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#### 2.0 LICENCE DETAILS

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Table 1: Licence Details

Project Name	Tenement	<b>Grant Date</b>	Expiry	Blocks	Area (km2)
Yambarra	SEL26954	23/9/2009	22/9/2013	148	450.43

#### 3.0 GEOLOGY

The project area covers parts of three geological regions within the Northern Territory.

These are; the Palaeoproterozoic Pine Creek Orogen, the Mesoproterozoic Victoria –

Birrinduddu Basin and the Palaeozoic Bonaparte Basin.

The oldest rocks in the project area are the Early Proterozoic Hermit Creek Metamorphics, which comprise mostly schist and gneissic rocks. Early Proterozoic sediments of the Finniss River Group are inferred to overlie the Hermit Creek Metamorphics although the nature of their relationship is unclear. The Henschke Breccia, a massive breccia conglomerate is interpreted to be approximately synchronous with these units.

The Hermit Creek Metamorphics and Finniss River Group were intruded successively by the Early Proterozoic Muarra-Kamangee Granodiorite and Peppimenarti Granite. Sediments of the Middle Proterozoic Fitzmaurice Group unconformably overly the Early Proterozoic units. Midldle Proterozoic intrusives of both basic (Murrenja Dolerite) and acid (Ti-Tree Granophyre) composition intrude the Fitzmaurice Group sediments

Permian sediments of the Bonaparte Basin occur in the west of the project area. These

sediments consist of quartzarenite, subarkose and mudstone with minor conglomerate and coal. Cretaceous rocks form an extensive unit within the project area. Friable, clayey, commonly ferruginous and mottled arenite is the dominant rock type. The youngest geological units in the project area include Cainozoic and Quaternary sediments comprised of colluvium, elluvium and alluvium. These units cover much of the bedrock.

The dominant structural features of the area are the extensive, regional transcurrent faults that are the northerly continuations of the major faults which define the Middle Proterozoic Fitzmaurice Mobile Zone and the Early Proterozoic Halls Creek Mobile Zone.

# 4.0 EXPLORATION COMPLETED DURING THE CURRENT REPORTING PERIOD

The licence is located on Aboriginal Land and access is dependent on the Northern Land Council arranging work clearance meetings with the Company and the Traditional Owners. There has been difficulty in arranging such work programs and as such NADL has been limited in its abilities to undertake ground based exploration activities. Work undertaken has involved desktop research of historic exploration, preparation of work programs and reporting.

This title has been managed by NADL under Joint Venture with the title holder. NADL no longer intends to have this title included the Joint Venture and is handing back the management of the title to the title holder.

#### 5.0 EXPLORATION EXPENDITURE

Exploration expenditure for the reporting period amounted to \$10,200 as per the Expenditure Report accompanying this report.

#### 6.0 PROPOSED PROGRAMME AND BUDGET FOR 2011-2012

Administration and Support	\$5,000
Collection of 50 helicopter-assisted stream gravel samples	\$40,000
Processing of samples for kimberlite indicator mineral recovery	\$30,000

SEM microprobing of recovered chromites and interpretation of chemistry \$5,000

Reporting and office administration \$10,000

**Total** \$90,000

# 7.0 REFERENCES

Kammermann, M. (2007), Yambarra Annual Report NADL Ref: 07-043, North Australian Diamonds Limited.