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ON

TEST COAL SAMPLE

FROM

PINE PASS COAL COMPANY LTD.,

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PINE PASS, B.C.

4th February, 1969.

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<u>INTRODUCT</u>ION:

An exploration **adit** was driven in October 1968, at the Noman Creek coal deposit of Pine Pass Coal Co., Ltd., **SO**that a coal **sample** could be obtained for testing. -The writer supervised the extraction and shipment of sixteen barrels of coal,. along with the comparison sample for local testing (see attached Coast Eldridge Chemical Analysis).

Previous to this the writer visited the property at various times during **1968** and' reported on the **same** 1st December, 1966, and 20th July, **1968**, and so is familiar with the recent history' and development of the property. <u>LOCATION & ACCESS</u>:

The coal deposits are situated 640 rail miles from the Port of Vancouver. They lie on both sides of the Pacific Great Eastern Railroad. Highway access is via the John Hart Highway about **150** miles northeast of Prince George, B.C., and **100** miles west of Dawson Creek, B.C., and only 22 miles from Chetwynd, a small local town. HISTORY:

Some production from the area is recorded in the years **1944 and 1945.** A 500 ft. **adit** was driven in **1949** by the **B.C.Department** of Mines (Chemical analysis in main report). A 120 ft. **adit** was driven by Pine Pass Coal Co., in October, **1968,** from which the bulk samples were taken.

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These tunnels are **located 11 miles** apart along the strike of the coal within **the area** of **indicated** recoverable **tonnage** of approximately 40 million tons as defined by **48,653** feet of diamond drilling.

COAL SPECIFICATIONS:

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A large number of tests have been performed by the B.C. Department of Mines and by Pine Pass Coal personnel. The. coal is classified according to A.S.T.M. D 388 stanaaras as "Medium Volatile Bituminous Coals" with good coking characteristics, and banded constituents of a Vitrain and/or Clarain nature. The specifications so far ascertained of run of mine samples taken includes about 20% volatile; $13\frac{1}{2}$ % ash, 0.6% sulphur and. 7 to 8 C.B.I. One sink float test by Coast Eldriage at specific gravity of 1.50 gave the following results:

4.60% Ash, 24.18% Volatile matter and $8\frac{1}{2}$ C.B.I with

a 79.75% float fraction recovery;

SAMPLING ADIT DATA:

The exploration adit was driven on the west limb of Seem 76 on Noman Creek section A - B at an'elevation of 1,985 ft, approximately 500 ft. north of the John Hart Highway. Bulldozer work stripped the surface exposure to a depth of 53 feet, opening up a face height of 70 ft. The width of seam at this point was 16ft., with a dip to the northeast of 76 degrees. Timbering commenced on the hanging wall side With timber dimensions of 10 ft. by 10 ft. Drilling a pattern of eight holes, with the centre four on a wedge cut, good extraction and

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'breakage was accomplished. Material was moved by front end loader and slusher bucket. Visual observation at the adit entrance indicated some oxidation. hut good bright coal was encountered about 25 ft. from the tunnel entrance - there was much less oxidation than originally believed. At this point timbering was dispensed with, due to good strong coal and hanging wall. At this point Sample No. C 3 P1-68-2950 (see attached analysis) was **taken** from upper 10 ft. of seem The adit was then advanced a further 80 ft. on strike, 76. -then opened to true width of 16 ft. At this point the bulk sample was taken, split end loaded into sixteen steel drum containers lined with plastic bags. The sixteen barrels were then shipped via P.G.E. railroad to dock in Vancouver, B.C., addressed to Toyomenka Inc., of Vancouver, B.C. Equivalent samples to the Japanese shipment were then shipped to Coast Eldridge Assayers, Vancouver, B.C., Chemical analysis No. 3296 and $C_3 - P_2 - 69 - 4082$ relevant to the split fractions are attached.

Tunnel contractor was Frontier **Construction** of Vancouver, B.C.

GENERAL REVIEW:

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Initial mining is proposed at the **Noman** Creek section. Three mining methods for an underground operation **have** been evaluated and these vary **depending** upon the pitch of the coal beds. The recent results of good unoxidized coal close to surface would indicate that open pit mining in certain areas could be possible..

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The Pine Pass Coal Company's plan formulated at the outset of the development included about one million tons to be exported to the Japanese market annually, with the distinct possibility of half a million tons to the local markets.

Initial capital investment has been estimated at approximately \$8,000,000.00 for a **plant** producing one and a half million'long tons of **clean** coal annually.

Estimated operating costs for mining and transportation are **\$10.95 per long** ton. Sufficient reserves are available for a **15** year contract, with the distinct possibility of further reserves outside of the sections drilled and investigated.

It is possible that production could **commence** in late **1970 if** all phases moved right along. Transportation via P.G.E. railroad is proposed to a ship loading berth at **Squamish**, B.C. or to the new **bulk** loading facilities at North Vancouver **or** to the proposed facilities 'at Roberts **Bank** (just' south of Vancouver).

CONCLUSIONS:

The initial preliminary Market Study was revised following my detailed report on December, 1966. I now feel that it presents a reasonable estimate-of the total economic picture. Certain figures have changed since 1967, such as some costs and also the selling price - up to around \$13.80.

It is concluded that there are sufficient **reserves** of excellent **cokong coal** suitable for the establishment of a long term profitable mining operation.

PRESENT STATUS:

The sixteen drums of coal arrived in Japan late in December, 1968. Various Japanese steel mills will commence their analysis of the coal upon the completion and delivery of this report.

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4th February, 1969.



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COAST ELDRIDGE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES DIVISION

125 East 4th Ave., Vancouver 10. B. C. Phone 876.4111 — Telex 04.50353

REPORT OF:	Chemical Analysis		FILE NO: C . 3-P.1-68-2950
AT	Vancouver Labora tory		date November 8, 1968
PROJECT:	Coal	ð	REPORT NO;
REPORTED TO	Pine Pass Coal Co. Ltd. 2 - 515 Granville Street Vancower, B.C.		ORDER NO:
	ATTENTION Mr. McLoughlin		

We have tested one sample of Coal submitted by you on November 1 and report as hereunder:

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION

Tl	he sample was not identified.	(IN FACT' THIS 25 FT.	IS SAMPLE N FROM ADIT ENI	NO. 3 PRANCE.)
RESULTS	<u>S</u>	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		During
	Total Moisture *	-	4.88 %	y
	Inherent Moistuze		0.58 %	
	Ash	•	13.63 %	
	Volatile Matter	•	19.57 %	
	Fixed Carbon	*	66.22 %	
	B.T.U. 's/pound	٠	13,673	
	Sulphur	•	0.74 %	
	Free Swelling Index	•	7 = 1/2	

***NOTE:** All **results** are reported on an 'air dry' basis except total moisture **which** is 'as received' basis.

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COAST ELDRIDGE WARNOCK HERSEY INTERNATIONAL LIMITED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES DIVISION 125 East 4th Ave., Vancouver 10, B. C. Phone 876-4111 -Telex 04-50353 ð, r . REPORT OF; FILE NO: C.3-P.2-69-4082 Chemical Testing AT DATE January 15, 1969 Vancouver Laboratory REPORT NO. PROJECT: Coal Samples REPORTED TO: Pine Pass Coal Company 2 • 515 Granville Street ORDER NO: Vancouver, B.C.

> We have tested the samples of coal submitted by you and report as hereunder:

SINK FLOAT TEST

A sink/float test was with the following results.	EIGHT DW <u>Top St Feet</u>	specific gravity of 1.50 EIGHT Bottom Six Feet
Sink Fraction	27.22 🐔	20.25 2
Float Fraction	72.28 🦹	79.75 %

CHEMICAL ANALYSIS • Float portion

	Top Six Feet	Bottom Six Feet
Ash	5.30 %	4.60 %
Volatile Matter	22.01 %	24.18 %
Swelling Index	8	8 - 1/2

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REPORT OF:	Chemical Analysis	FILE NO:.	3296		
АТ	Vancouver Laboratory	DATE	January	20,	1969
PROJECT:	Coal Samples	REPORT NO:			
REPORTED TO:	Pine Pass Coal Co., 2 • 515 Granville Street, Vancouver. B.C.	ORDER NO:			

We have tested two **samples** of Coal submitted by you on November 10, 1968, and report as hereunder:

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION:

The samples were identified as:

Sample 1 - Top & feet (IN FACT SAMPLE NO. 2 A.) Sample 2 - Bottom & feet (IN PACT SAMPLE NO. 2 B.) A composite using equal proportions of each sample was for many also prepared. (IN FACT BULK SAMPLE NO. 2.)

RESULTS:

1. Analysis of Coal

	Samp As Received	<u>Sample l</u> <u>Sample</u> s Received Air Dry <u>As Received</u>			<u>Composite</u> <u>Airr y</u>	
Moisture						
Total	5.412	**	4. 74%		**	
Inherent	0.717.	0.74%	0.64%	0.67%	0. 702	
Surface	4. 70%	**	4. 102	# #	**	
Ash	15.34%	16.10%	19.27-z	20.097,	18.07%	
Volatile Matter	19. 73%	20.70%	17.372	18.112	19.307.	
Fixed Carbon	59. 52%	62.46%	58.62%	61.13%	61.93%	
Sulfur (S)	0.63%	0.66%	0. 57%	0.592	0.63%	
Calorific Value (BTU/18) 12,721	13, 348	12, 202	12, 724	13, 024	
Free Swelling Index	**	6½	•=	7	7	

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2. Analysis of Coal Ash

A. Chemical Analysis for Major Components

		<u>Sample 1</u>	Sample 2
Silicon Dioxide	(Si0 ₂)	75.082	77.62%
Iron Oxide	$(Fe_2 \overline{0}_3)$	2.44%	2.06%
Titanium Oxide	(Ti0 ₂)	1.02%	1.02%
Aluminium Oxide	(A1203)	16.80%	14.64%
Calcium Oxide	(CaO)	0.98%	1.12%
Magnesium Oxide	(MgO)	0.78%	0.75%
Sulfur Trioxide	(s0 ₃)	0.89%	0.87%
Sodium Oxide	(Na ₂ 0)	0.46%	0.44%
Potassium Oxide	(K ₂ 0)	1.07%	1.13%
Germanium	(Ge)	Less than 0.007%	Less than 0.007%
Uranium	(U ₃ 0 ₈)	Less than 0.0052	Less than 0.005%
Total Radioactivit	cy (as U308)	Less than 0.005%	Less than 0.005%

B. Fusion Point of Ash

	Sample 1	Sample 2
Initial Deformation Temperature	Greater than 2400°F	Greater than 2400°F
Softening Point	Greater than 2400[°]F	Greater than 2400°F
Fluid Tenperature	Greater than 2400[°]F	Greater than $2400^{\circ}F$

C. <u>Semi Quantitative Analysis for Minor Canponents</u> See the attached spsctrographic analysis

3. Classification of Coal by Rank

	Sample 1	Sample 2	<u>Composite</u>
Volatile batter Moisture, Mineral Free Basis) Fixed Carbon (Moisture, Mineral	24.89%	22.86%	23.76%
Free Basis)	75.11%	77.14%	76.24%

According to A.S.T.M. D388, these coals are classified as "Medium Volatile Bituminous Coals".

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Top 6 feet	ND	1.0	ND	0.001	ND	0.02	Matrix	Trace	0.04	ND	ND _{H I}	1.0	ND	0.01	0.3
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All results expressed as ______ percent by weight of the coal ash. Note: Rejets retained one week.

Pulps retained one month.

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