SILVER

PROVINCE OR **TERRITORY** 

**TERRITOIRE** 

PROVINCE OU British Columbia

104 B/1 N.T.S. AREA RÉGION DU S.N.R.C.

REF. AG 7 REF.

NAME OF PROPERTY NOM DE LA PROPRIÉTÉ SILVER TIP (SILVER LEAF)

OBJECT LOCATED OBJET LOCALISE

UNCERTAINTY FACTEUR D'INCERTITUDE Mining Division

Division minière

Skeena

Lat. 56°07'30" Lat. District

District

Long. 130°00'40" Long.

Cassiar

County Comté

Sect.

Township or Parish Canton ou paroisse Concession or Range

Lot Lot Sec Tp.

Concession ou rang R.

OWNER OR OPERATOR/PROPRIÉTAIRE OU EXPLOITANT

DESCRIPTION OF DEPOSIT/DESCRIPTION DU GISEMENT
The showings occur within a belt of coarse, light coloured, porphyry and diorite dykes that trend northwesterly across the property, cutting tuffs of the Jurassic Hazelton group. The Butte zone, on the Bella Coola claim, consists of a shear zone several feet wide in tuffs along the footwall of a dyke that dips 60° southward. Within this zone, across a width of about 1 foot, many small slips dip 25° southward. Ouartz sphalerite. galena, and pyrite have cemented and replaced fragments of the tuffs. Other narrow and discontinuous veins occur in the dykes and in fractures in silicified tuffs. A drift on the May P.J. claim encountered one lens of lead-zinc ore about 30 feet long. with a maximum width of 6 feet. The remainder of the vein consisted of brecciated wall-rock with a small amount of sulphides. The above veins are mineralized with sphalerite. galena, chalcopyrite, and are rich in silver minerals including tetrahedrite, freibergite, pyrargyrite, argentite, and native silver. Samples assay up to 100 ounces of silver a ton.

### HISTORY OF EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT HISTORIQUE DE L'EXPLORATION ET DE LA MISE EN VALEUR

This property is located at about the 3,500 foot elevation on Silver Creek on the south slope of Mount Dilsworth. The Silver Hill property lies to the north and adjoining.

The first activity reported was in 1915 when C. Williams shipped a small amount of ore from surface cuts. Three claims, the Silver Leaf, Bella Coola, and May P.J., were owned and under development by J.V. Clegg of Hyder, Alaska, in 1919. Silver Tip Mining Syndicate, Limited was formed in 1920 but the property fell idle shortly thereafter.

Silver Tip Mining Development Company, Limited was formed in May 1925 and development work was carried on until 1929 when operations ceased. The company name was changed in 1946 to Silver Tip Gold Mines, Limited. The property now consisted of 5 Crown-granted claims, the Bella Coola, Silver Leaf, Ladybird, Good Hope, and May P.J. Intermittent development work was carried on from 1946 until 1957 when the mine was closed. To date some 2,400 feet of underground work has been done in 2 long and several short adits. A total of 600 feet of surface diamond drilling was done in 1951.

#### HISTORY OF PRODUCTION/HISTORIQUE DE LA PRODUCTION

From 1915-1951, 29 tons of ore were shipped from this property. From this ore 10 ounces of gold, 2,208 ounces of silver, 8,026 pounds of lead, and 11,232 pounds of zinc were recovered.

## MAP REFERENCES/RÉFÉRENCES CARTOGRAPHIQUES

Map 307 A, Portland Canal Area, B.C., (Geol.), Sc. 1":4 miles - accomp. Memoir 175.

Geological Map of the Stewart Area, Sc. 1":  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile, Fig. 3, Sheet C - accomp. Bulletin No. 58.

Stewart Area, Crown-grant claim map, Fig. 15 C - accomp. Bulletin No. 58.

Map 104 B, Iskut River, B.C., (Topo.), Sc. 1:250,000.

# REMARKS/REMARQUES

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