Location/Identification

MINFILE Number: 092GSE009
National Mineral Inventory Number: 092G7 Cu1
Name(s): **VIKING (L.3177)**
GOLDEN EARS, PITT LAKE, CROMWELL, GREEDY

Status: Past Producer
Mining Method Underground
Regions: British Columbia
BCGS Map: 092G038
NTS Map: 092G07E
Latitude: 49 21 37 N
Longitude: 122 33 57 W
Elevation: 240 metres
Location Accuracy: Within 500M
Comments: Shaft on the Viking claim (Lot 3177) (Property File - Claim Sheet Map).

Mining Division: New Westminster
Electoral District: Maple Ridge-Mission
Resource District: Chilliwack Forest District

UTM Zone: 10 (NAD 83)
Northing: 5467598
Easting: 531526

Mineral Occurrence

Commodities: Copper, Silver, Gold, Zinc

Minerals
Significant: Pyrrhotite, Pyrite, Chalcopyrite, Covellite, Sphalerite
Associated: Quartz, Calcite
Mineralization Age: Unknown

Deposit
Character: Vein, Disseminated
Classification: Hydrothermal, Epigenetic
Type: I01: Au-quartz veins
Dimension: 46x30x0 metres **Strike/Dip:** 270/75S
Comments: North vein.

Host Rock

Dominant Host Rock: Metamorphic

Stratigraphic Age	Group	Formation	Igneous/Metamorphic/Other
Paleozoic-Mesozoic	Twin Island	Undefined Formation	------
Upper Jurassic	------	------	Coast Plutonic Complex

Isotopic Age	Dating Method	Material Dated
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Lithology: Amphibolite, Quartzite, Diorite
Comments: The Twin Island Group is pre-Jurassic in age and the Coast Plutonic Complex is Jurassic to Tertiary in age.

Geological Setting

Tectonic Belt: Coast Crystalline
Physiographic Area: Fiord Ranges (Southern)
Terrane: Undivided Metamorphic Assembl., I

Metamorphic Type: Regional
Grade: Amphibolite
Comments: Hosted in a roof pendant in the southern Coast Plutonic Complex.

Inventory

Ore Zone: VEIN
Category: Assay/analysis
Year: 1927
Report On: N
NI 43-101: N

Sample Type: Grab

Commodity	Grade
Silver	146.0000 grams per tonne
Gold	1.9900 grams per tonne
Copper	3.9000 per cent

Comments: Average of 900 samples from underground workings.

Reference: Minister of Mines Annual Report 1927, page 366.

Summary Production

		Metric		Imperial	
	Mined:	182	tonnes	200	tons
	Milled:	0	tonnes	0	tons
Recovery	Silver	7,216	grams	232	ounces
	Gold	249	grams	8	ounces
	Copper	5,151	kilograms	11,356	pounds

Capsule Geology

The Viking mine is located at the south end of Pitt Lake on the east shore.

Two mineralized veins are hosted in a roof pendant of pre- Jurassic Twin Island Group amphibolite and quartzite. The pendant occurs within Late Jurassic diorite of the Jurassic to Tertiary Coast Plutonic Complex.

The North vein (#1 vein) is developed in a shear zone striking west and dipping 60 to 90 degrees south. The vein is usually between 0.60 and 1.8 metres in width, but 30 metre widths are reported at shallow depths. The South vein (#2 vein) strikes northeast, dips steeply southeast, and ranges from 0.90 to 1.1 metres in width.

The veins are mineralized with pyrrhotite, pyrite and chalco- pyrite, with minor covellite and a trace of sphalerite in a gangue of white quartz with minor calcite and fragments of wall rock. An adit in the North vein exposes mineralization over a length of 46 metres. The average assay of 900 samples, taken throughout the underground workings on the North vein, was 1.99 grams per tonne gold, 146 grams per tonne silver and 3.9 per cent copper (Minister of Mines Annual Report 1927, page 366).

The Viking Mining Company Ltd., produced 179 tonnes in 1916, with an average grade of 40.3 grams per tonne silver and 2.88 per cent copper. The Pitt Mining Company Ltd. attempted, unsuccessfully, to place the mine back into production between 1927 and 1929.

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