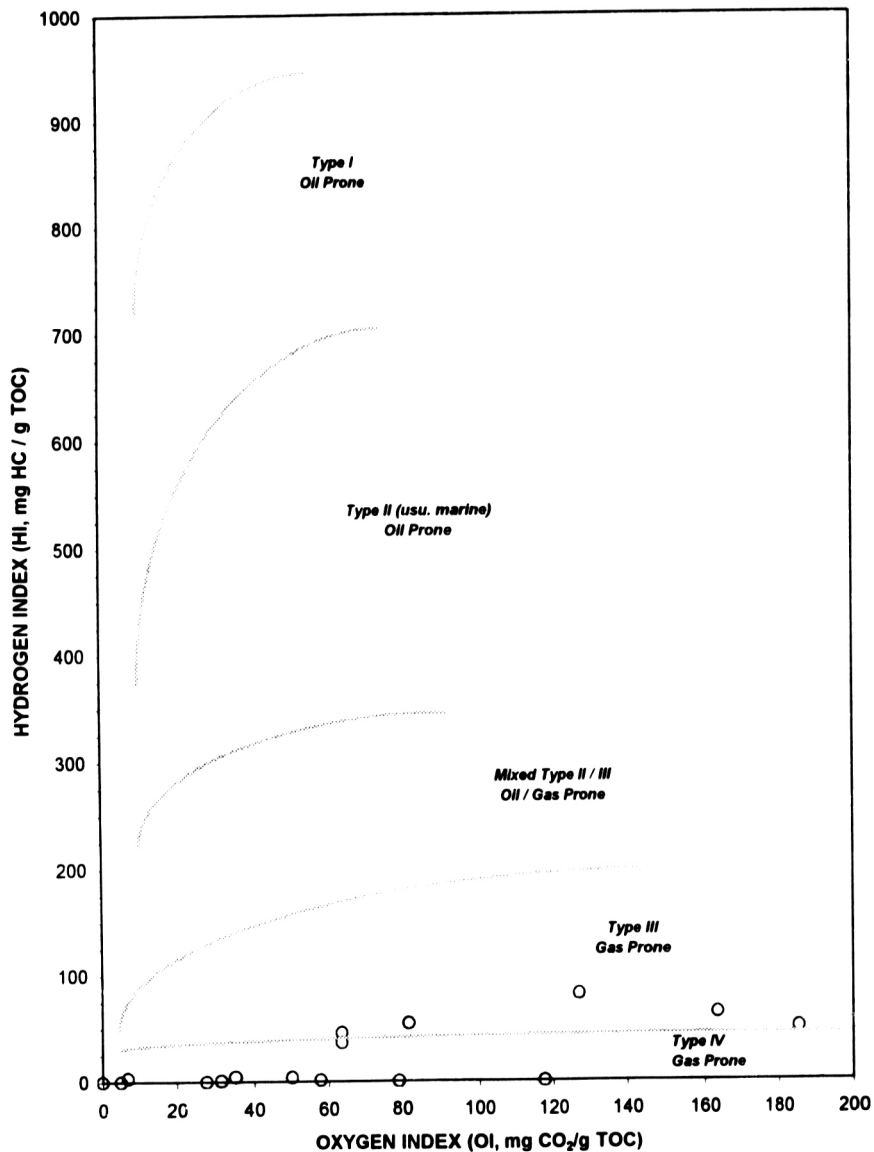


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APPENDIX 4

Conodont Study



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Dear Jim:

This week I sent you a copy of my report as an e-mail attachment, as well as by fax. I am also sending you this hard copy by courier (as a clear copy).

I will arrange an invoice to be sent to you in the next week or two to complete the contract.

Should you wish all or part of the remaining samples to be processed for conodonts, I trust that you will advise me in due course. Likewise, there may be other sample sets in the future that you wished to be processed.

With kind regards,

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Report to Canadian Forest Oil Company: conodonts from samples of carbonates from the Mount Kindle Formation, NWT

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Thirty samples of carbonate (mainly calcareous dolostone) was received from Canadian Forest Oil Company in October 1999. They were processed using standard techniques as outlined in the contract. The samples were difficult to dissolve, being dolostone, and some undissolved residue was left for most samples as shown below in Table 1. The insoluble residues for the samples were voluminous, being rich in dolomite rhombs; the latter have a specific gravity similar to conodonts and this makes separation by heavy liquids difficult and time-consuming and more especially results in considerable time to pick through the residues to recover any conodonts.

The samples were picked for conodonts but most samples were barren and also had no other organic/fossil material. Five of the 30 samples yielded conodonts, the details of the taxa and an age assignment is given below. The number of individual conodont specimens (elements) is given in parentheses.

Sample F99-c1-2120:

| | |
|--|-----|
| <u>Panderodus unicostatus</u> (Branson and Mehl) | (1) |
| Ramiform element (Sa, cordylodontiform) | (1) |
| Age: Silurian to Lower Devonian | |

Sample F99-C2-20

| | |
|--|-----|
| <u>Panderodus unicostatus</u> (Branson and Mehl) | (5) |
| Ramiform element (Sb, zygnathiform) | (1) |
| Indeterminate fragments | (6) |
| Age: Silurian to Lower Devonian | |

Sample F99-C2-120

Oulodus? kentuckyensis Branson and Branson (9)
Panderodus unicostatus (Branson and Mehl) (1)
Indeterminate fragments (5)
Age: Lower to Middle Llandovery (Rhuddanian to mid Aeronian), Lower Silurian

Sample F99-C2-420

Oulodus? kentuckyensis Branson and Branson (9)
Panderodus unicostatus (Branson and Mehl) (10)
Age: Lower to Middle Llandovery (Rhuddanian to mid Aeronian), Lower Silurian

Sample F99-C2-470

Panderodus unicostatus (Branson and Mehl) (3)
Ramiform element (Sa, cordylodontiform) (1)
Age: Silurian to Lower Devonian

Summary

The faunas are similar in the five samples that yielded conodonts. Panderodus unicostatus is a long-ranging and relatively ubiquitous species. Oulodus? kentuckyensis has a short range within the Lower Silurian (i.e. lower half of the Lower Silurian) and does not extend down into the Ordovician. The ages are compatible with the age of the upper part of the Mount Kindle Formation (e.g. B. S. Norford (Compiler), 1997, Correlation Chart and biostratigraphy of the Silurian rocks of Canada, IUGS Publication 35, 77p)

Table 1: List of samples processed with initial and undissolved weights.

| Sample | Original Mass (g)/ Undissolved Residue(g) |
|-------------|--|
| F99-C-1-10 | 2300/776 |
| F99-C-1-110 | 1800/408 |
| F99-C-1-210 | 2600/682 |
| F99-C-1-430 | 2000/550 |
| F99-C-1-920 | 2200/545 |

| Sample | Original Mass (g)/ Undissolved Residue(g) |
|---------------|--|
| F99-C-1-1000 | 1900/485 |
| F99-C-1-1120 | 2200/851 |
| F99-C-1-1220 | 1800/637 |
| F99-C-1-1320 | 2200/1000 |
| F99-C-1-1420 | 1800/640 |
| F99-C-1-1520 | 2000/770 |
| F99-C-1-1660 | 1900/600 |
| F99-C-1-1720 | 1900/360 |
| F99-C-1-1820 | 2500/1034 |
| F99-C-1-1920 | 2100/769 |
| F99-C-1-2020 | 2400/826 |
| F99-C-1-2120A | 1700/219 |
| F99-C-1-2120B | 1300/495 |
| F99-C-1-2220A | 1800/409 |
| F99-C-1-2220B | 1700/208 |
| F99-C-1-2320A | 1500/2320 |
| F99-C-1-2320B | 1300/532 |
| F99-C-1-2410 | 2100/429 |
| F99-C-1-2470 | 2300/851 |
| F99-C-2-20 | 2300/630 |
| F99-C-2-120 | 2200/79 |
| F99-C-2-200 | 2100/135 |
| F99-C-2-320 | 2300/441 |
| F99-C-2-370A | 1400/520 |
| F99-C-2-370B | 1300/357 |
| F99-C-2-420 | 2300/630 |
| F99-C-2-470A | 1400/16 |
| F99-C-2-470B | 1300/6 |
| F99-C-2-520A | 1300/113 |
| F99-C-2-520B | 1300/44 |
| F99-C-2-580A | 1500/125 |
| F99-C-2-580B | 1400/104 |

A & B indicate that the original sample was broken into two batches.

OK Jones
14 Feb 2000

APPENDIX 5

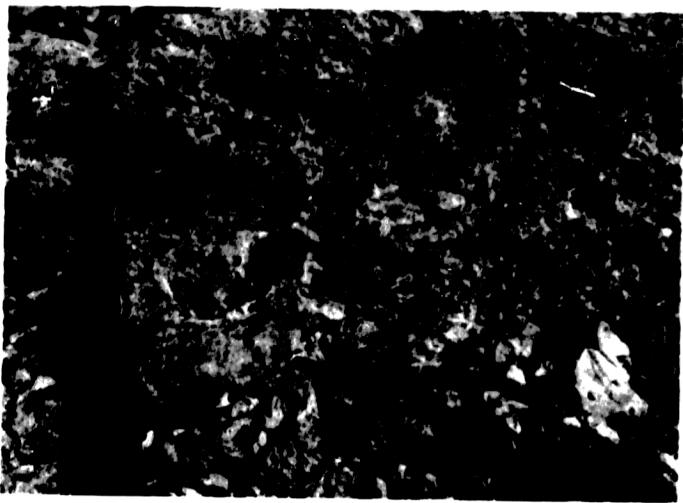
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1. Dusky (Location 1). A view looking north from the ridge located just south of the Mt. Kindle Dusky section, Dusky Ranges, Mackenzie Mountains. The beds strike 160° and dip 72° W at the top of the Mount Kindle (on the left of the photo). There are a few covered sections in the grassy saddle.



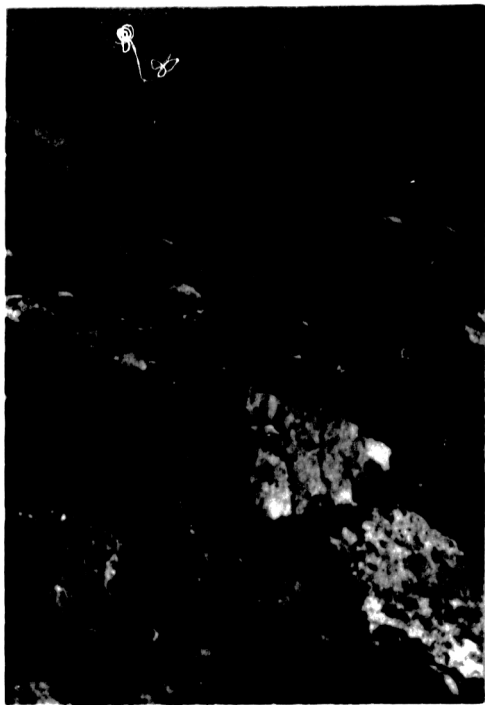
2. Dusky section. Mt. Kindle Dolomite near the top of the section. Large full bags of dolomite samples were collected for conodont identification (foreground). The high-energy carbonate depositional paleoenvironment was apparently not favourable for conodont occurrence. A single sample give a Devonian-Silurian age.



3. Dusky section. Close-up of dolomitized ghost-like fossils and vuggy porosity in the Mount Kindle Formation,



4. Dusky section. Massive bedded dolomite with vuggy and pinpoint porosity. Previous studies (Link Dowling Cook, 1961) described this section as "reef" facies. The 100s of feet of continuous, vuggy, moldic and intercrystalline porosity are a striking feature of Section 4.



5. Dusky section. A view looking north showing the alternating lighter coloured and darker coloured interlayered dolomite beds at the Dusky section. These beds strike north on the successive east-west ridges.



6. Dusky section. Silicified fossils in dark coloured dolomite of the Silurian Mount Kindle Formation.



7. Dusky section . Fossil coral head in dolomite in the Mount Kindle Formation.



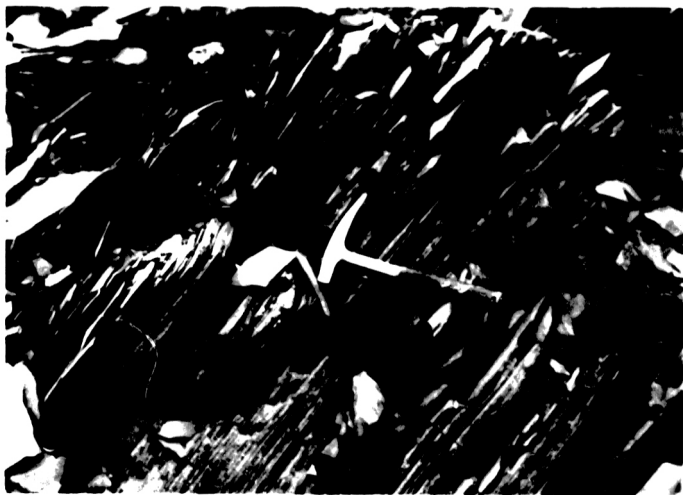
8. Red Rock Pass (Location 2). The dip slope of the Silurian sandstone. This unit marks the pre-Devonian unconformity. Note the elaborate joint pattern.



9. Red Rock Pass. Sampling bedded dolomites of the Mount Kindle Formation for conodont identification. This locality sits stratigraphically below the Silurian Sandstone in Photo 6



10. Red Rock Pass. Large bulbous stromatoporoids in dolomite of the Silurian Mount Kindle Formation. Conodont samples collected from the lower part of the Red Rock Pass, Section 2, gave Early Silurian ages.



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12. Tundra (Location 3). Measuring a section and collecting samples of the Devonian Funeral Formation. Fissile light gray shales are interbedded with rusty weathering limey siltstones. Subsequent laboratory analysis shows the Funeral is not a promising source rock.



13. Mine Airport (location 6). Black shales of the Silurian Road River Formation outcrop behind the airport buildings. A very black shale sample from this outcrop yielded a total organic carbon (TOC) value of 0.8. This value may be very significant given the deep burial and over thrusting the shale sample has been subjected to. Abundant graptolites have been reported nearby (David Morrow, personal communication).



14. Tetecla (location 7). An outcrop of the Middle Devonian Horn River Black Shale west of the Tetecla River.

MAP POCKET

Surface Geology Northwest Territories



Geological Survey of Canada

Canadian Forest Oil Ltd.

Co-ordinates **63° 15' 125° 20' W**
Geographic Location **STATION 1**

Geologists **JIM TAYLOR / TODD BURLINGAME**
Date of Measurement **AUGUST 05 - 07, 1999**

FOSSIL SYMBOLS

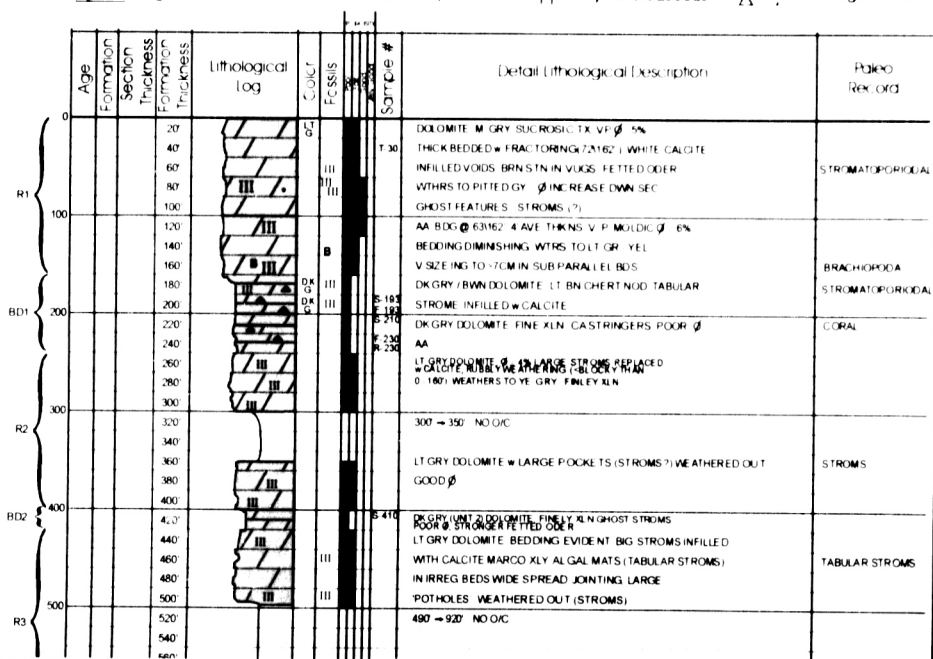
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G Gastropoda
C Coral
III Stromatopora
• Foraminifera
• Crinoid
Algae

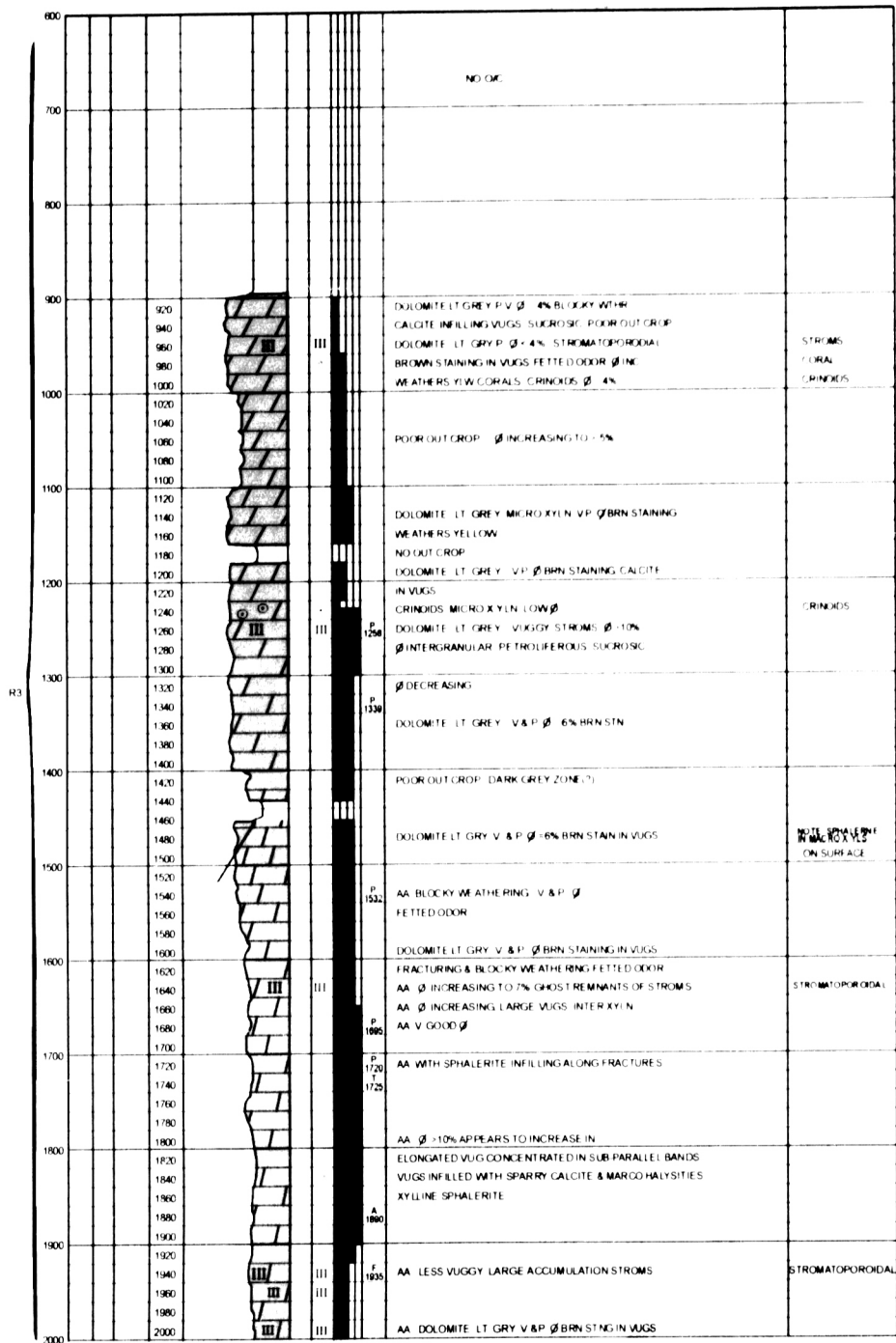
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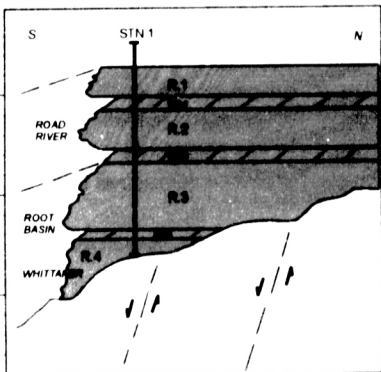
- x intergranular, intercrystalline, interfractural
v vuggy (greater than 1/16 mm.)
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• oil stained or petroliferous
• Dead oil stained (bitumin)

LITHOLOGICAL SYMBOLS

- Limestone
 Silty Limestone
 Shale
 Siliceous
 Dolomite
 Limestone Breccia
 Calcareous Shale
 Siltstone
 Dolomitic Limestone
 Dolomite Breccia
 Anhydritic Shale
 Ironstone
 Argillaceous Limestone
 Rugose to Rubby
 Salt Casts
 Sandstone
 Argillaceous Dolomite
 Coarse Crystallization
 Pyritic Micaceous
 Chert, light or dark







Surface Geology Northwest Territories



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Co-ordinates 81° 43' N, 123° 17' W
Geographic Location STATION 2

Geologists JIM TAYLOR / TODD BURLINGAME
Date of Measurement AUGUST 10, 1999

FOSSIL SYMBOLS

- F Fossiliferous
B Brachiopoda
G Gastropoda
C Coral
III Stomatopora
Foraminifera
Cnoid
Algae

POROSITY SYMBOLS

- x intergranular, intercrystalline, interfragmental
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- Limestone Silty Limestone Shale Siliceous
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Argillaceous Dolomite Coarse Crystallization Pyritic Micaceous Chert, light or dark

| Age | Formation | Section | Thickness | Formation | Thickness | Lithological Log | Color | Fossils | Detail Lithological Description | Paleo Record |
|-----|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------------|-------|---------|--|----------------|
| 100 | | | 20' | | | | | | 0-CONCRETE STYRACIS & FINE XYLIN BE DOOL. INTERBED WITH ST. 200' | |
| | | | 40' | | | | | | BUFF PLATEY CALCITE STRINGERS V. POOR | |
| | | | 60' | | | | | | AA RESISTIVE WITH GHOSTLY FOSSIL FEATURES. DARKER GREY | |
| | | | 80' | | | | | | MED GREY DOL. MUD & BRECCIA INTERLAYERED. V. POOR | |
| | | | 100' | | | | | | AA | |
| | | | 120' | | | | | | MED GRAY DOL. CLIFT FING. FACES. CHERT NODULES REPLACING FOSSILS. SOME BONG. | |
| | | | 140' | | | | | | MASSIVE BEDDING ZONES OF CALCITE. INFILLING RARE. LARGE CAVITIES INFILL WITH | |
| | | | 160' | | | | | | LT GREY DOL. CALCITE STRINGERS SUBPARALLEL TO BDG. | |
| 200 | | | 180' | | | | | | LT GREY DOL. 161-168 CHERT ZONE (REPLACING FOSSILS?) (LT ZONE) | |
| | | | 200' | | | | | | RECESSIVE WITH UNIT LT. GRAY DOL. WITH CALCITE & CHERT | |
| | | | 220' | | | | | | 215 DK GREY SS PLATEY WITH RG | |
| | | | 240' | | | | | | 222' MED GREY DOL | |
| | | | 260' | | | | | | RUBBLE FM SS UNIT? CONCRETIONS WITH R. OUT ON SURFACE. DOL. LT. GRAY | |
| | | | 280' | | | | | | RESISTIVE WITH RG SPONGE LIKE SURFACE. LT. ST. STRING. OSTROMA? | |
| | | | 300' | | | | | | RARE VUG INFILL WITH CALCITE. JOINTED. RUDDY FRAC. BDG. | |
| 300 | | | 320' | | | | | | 292'-296' CHERTY ZONE | |
| | | | 340' | | | | | | POOR OIC | |
| | | | 360' | | | | | | MED GRAY DOL. FN XYLIN. CHERTY ZONES 358-367 | |
| | | | 380' | | | | | | 1-5' BDG. STROMS. @ 350'. V. POOR | STROMATOPOROID |
| | | | 400' | | | | | | MED DOL. RUBBY WITH RG. POOR | |
| | | | 420' | | | | | | DK GREY DOL. FINE XYLIN. BLOCKY WEATHERING | |
| 400 | | | 440' | | | | | | CONTACT (430') WITH DK. GRAY DOL. FN XYLIN | |
| | | | 460' | | | | | | NO. PLATEY JOINTED WITH R. CHERT NOD IN OIC | |
| | | | 480' | | | | | | CHERTY ZONE | |
| | | | 500' | | | | | | DK GREY DOL. MICRO XYLIN. CALCITE STINGS | |
| 500 | | | 520' | | | | | | SMALL IRREG. ZONES OF CHERT NODULES | |
| | | | 540' | | | | | | AA | |
| | | | 560' | | | | | | | |
| | | | 580' | | | | | | | |
| 600 | | | 600' | | | | | | | |

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Co-ordinates **SEE BELOW**
Geographic Location **STATION 3 - 4**

Geologists **JIM TAYLOR / TODD BURLINGAME**
Date of Measurement **AUGUST 11, 1999**

FOSSIL SYMBOLS

F Fossiliferous
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|-----|-----------|---------|-----------|------------------|-------|---------|----------|---|--------------|
| 0 | | | 5' | | | | 53 | STATION 3 61° 41' 48" N 124° 48' 02" W | |
| 10 | | | 10' | | | | 54 | BLACK FOSSIL SHALE INTERBEDDED WITH | |
| 15 | | | 15' | | | | 55 | SILTSTONES. SILTSTONE WEATHERS | |
| 20 | | | 20' | | | | 56 | TO RUST. SILTSTONE MORE RESISTIVE UNIT | |
| 25 | | | 25' | | | | 57 | FUNERAL FORMATION | |
| 30 | | | 30' | | | | 58 | | |
| 0 | | | 5' | | | | 59 | STATION 4 61° 44' 37" N 124° 52' 11" W | |
| 10 | | | 10' | | | | 60 | POOR EXPOSURE OF ROAD RIVER SHALE. PLATEY | |
| 15 | | | 15' | | | | 61 | WITH 5% LST BANDS. WEATHERS TO BUFF | |
| 20 | | | 20' | | | | 62 | DARK SHALE UNIT WITH RECESSIVE | |
| 25 | | | 25' | | | | 63 | | |
| 30 | | | 30' | | | | 64 | | |
| 0 | | | 5' | | | | 65 | STATION 6 61° 44' 38" N 124° 52' 16" W | |
| 10 | | | 10' | | | | 66 | GOOD QC. AA | |
| 15 | | | 15' | | | | 67 | | |
| 20 | | | 20' | | | | 68 | | CRINOIDS |
| 25 | | | 25' | | | | 69 | | BRACHIOPODS |
| 30 | | | 30' | | | | 70 | | |
| 0 | | | 5' | | | | 71 | STATION 6 61° 33' 055 N 124° 48' 055 W | |
| 10 | | | 10' | | | | 72 | PRAIRIE CREEK MINE AIRPORT ROAD RIVER SHALE | |
| 15 | | | 15' | | | | 73 | | |
| 20 | | | 20' | | | | 74 | | |
| 25 | | | 25' | | | | 75 | | |
| 30 | | | 30' | | | | 76 | | |
| 0 | | | 5' | | | | 77 | STATION 7 61° 37' 47" N 123° 54' 15" W | |
| 10 | | | 10' | | | | 78 | RAM PLATEAU | |
| 15 | | | 15' | | | | 79 | DEVONIAN HORN RIVER SHALE - SILICEOUS, BLACK, POOR QC | |