

5. DIAMOND DRILLING

A total of 3821 metres of diamond drilling in 33 holes was completed in the Stage 2B Programme, bringing the cumulative metreage for Stage 1 and Stage 2 to 7290.5 metres. A Longyear F38 drill outfit was used on a two shift basis beginning on 15th December, 1979 and terminating on 5th May, 1980. Because of delays early in the programme due to rig availability, a second drill was procured. This was a BBS1 outfit, on a one shift basis, and was on site between 8th January, 1980 and 7th March, 1980.

The first seven holes of the programme were drilled in HQ core size. Samples from these large diameter holes were later despatched for metallurgical studies. A breakdown of the drilling performed is as follows:

HOLE SIZE	PROGRAMMED (m)	ACTUAL (m)
Tricone	78	100.3
HQ	368	398.2
NQ	1414	1451.9
BQ	1820	1870.6
TOTAL	3680	3821