

4. PREVIOUS WORK

Prior to the granting of E.L. 49/82 the only systematic base metal exploration carried out in the area was by Asarco (Australia) Pty. Limited from 1973 to 1976. Their exploration work comprised a regional stream sediment geochemical programme which delineated ten prospective areas (one of which lies within E.L. 49/82). These were evaluated by gridding, rock and soil geochemistry and geological mapping. No drill targets were identified from this exploration phase (References 2 & 8).

In 1965 B.H.P. Limited undertook an airborne magnetic survey for magnetite mineralisation over a large area of northern central Tasmania, including part of the present E.L. area, with little success (References 1, 3, 4, & 5).