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can yield discrete anomalies with a conductance grade (cf. Table II-1) of 1, or even of 2 for conducting clays which have resistivities as low as 50 ohm-m. In areas where ground resistivities can be below 10 ohm-m, anomalies caused by weathering variations and similar causes can have any conductance grade. The anomaly shapes from the multiple coils often allow such conductors to be recognized, and these are indicated by the letters S, H, G and sometimes E on the map (see EM legend).

For bedrock conductors, the higher anomaly grades indicate increasingly higher conductances. Examples: DIGHEM's New Inco copper discovery (Noranda, Canada) yielded a grade 4 anomaly, as did the neighbouring copper-zinc Magusi River ore body; Mattabi (copper-zinc, Sturgeon Lake, Canada) and Whistle (nickel, Sudbury, Canada) gave grade 5; and DIGHEM's Montcalm nickel-copper discovery (Timmins, Canada) yielded a grade 6 anomaly. Graphite and sulfides can span all grades but, in any particular survey area, field work may show that the different grades indicate different types of conductors.

Strong conductors (i.e., grades 5 and 6) are characteristic of massive sulfides or graphite. Moderate conductors (grades 3 and 4) typically reflect sulfides of a less massive character or graphite, while weak bedrock conductors