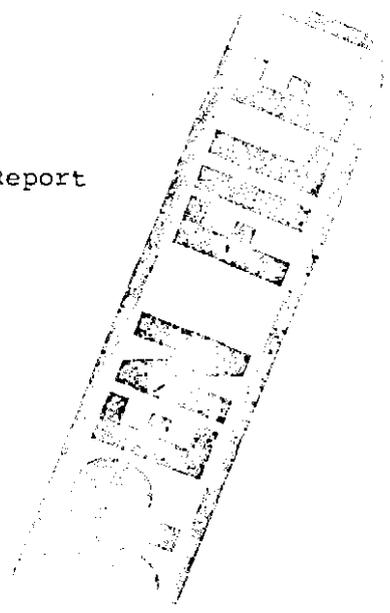


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EXPLORATION LICENCE 6/88 MT. HOLLOWAY & EL 34/85 MT BOLTON
QUARTERLY REPORT TO 31ST MARCH, 1989

During the quarter, a grid was established around the Copper Reward workings North of the Toner River and South West of Mt. Bolton. The grid straddles this Exploration Licence and 34/85. The costs incurred for the quarter have been shared equally between the exploration licence and 34/85.

Grid Outline

A grid was established parallel to the strike of the rocks (035 magnetic) with grid lines 100 metres apart, 800 metres in length and with a width of 500 metres. The ridges are covered with low scrub but the lower country is covered with thick scrub mainly bavera, ti-tree, cutting grass and stunted eucalyptus. The grid location is shown in Fig 1. in the attached report.

Soil and Rock Chip Samples

Soil samples and, where they were available, rock chip samples, were taken every 25 metres along the grid lines. Lines M & J were extended South East past two old adits and lines K and L were extended North West into open country up to an inferred dolerite dyke which is covered with a line of trees and scrub.

After analysis of the initial samples, some of the lines were extended by a few points and some samples taken on intermediate grid lines to confirm the actual anomalous gold values in the soil.

Samples were taken every 50 metres along an open quartz gravel ridge which runs from the flanks of Mt. Bolton down towards the Toner River to intersect the mineralization trend reported by L.K. Ward in 1911. The ridge is marked on Fig. 1.

On the North East flank of Mt. Vero there is evidence from the air of soil discoloration. Random samples were taken over the accessible parts of the plant and terrace above the Toner River including an old adit. The sites with anomalous gold values are shown in Fig.1.

Soil and Rock Chip Results

The first samples collected were analysed for gold, copper and arsenic. There is little correlation between gold and copper or gold and arsenic. Elevated gold values have attendant higher arsenic values but there is no halo of elevated arsenic values. Also arsenic values may be elevated without any attendant increase in gold values.

It was decided that for confirmatory or infill sampling only gold would be analysed for and in any new areas gold, copper and arsenic would be analysed for.

Lead, zinc and barium were analysed for in a few samples to see if they correlated with gold or copper but there is no correlation in the soil samples but there appears to be correlation in the rock samples for lead and zinc but not barium.

Some samples were analysed for tin and chromium to check whether the gold could be a tertiary gravel residual as previous work had established higher than expected cerium and lanthanum values in stream

sediments. Tin and Chromium were uniformly low and well below average composition (Tin average 3ppm observed, crustal composition 40 ppm, chromium average 11 ppm observed, crustal composition 200 ppm).

It appears that the observed anomalous gold values are due to the underlying rocks and these values are shown in figure 8.

Geophysics:

Each of the grid lines was measured for its Magnetic and Self Potential response and some were measured for their Very Low Frequency Radio wave response. The details are in the attached geophysics report by Mitre Geophysics. Three short drill holes have been recommended to test one of the magnetic anomalies and the self potential anomaly.

Future Work:

An access track will be cut South from the end of the Sumac Road to the grid to enable foot access during winter for the driller to assess the drill sites and to enable the V.L.F. geophysics to be completed.

If in the driller's assessment the drill rig and ancillary equipment can be skidded in, the Department of Main Roads will survey the proposed Link Road corridor from Sumac 15 to the grid in September. The three holes will be drilled in October and at the same time an Induced Polarization survey will be carried out to locate any disseminated sulphide bodies.

Down hole E.M. on the drill holes will be carried out if there is any indication of sulphide ore or precious metals in the core.

Further gridding, soil sampling, Magnetic surveys, Self Potential surveys, V.L.F. Radio Wave surveys and Induced Polarization surveys will depend on the results of the drilling.

From the air there are many areas of apparent soil discolouration which indicate mineralization. It is likely that anomalous gold values will be found at most of these sites. The major fault systems and especially fault intersections need to be carefully assessed as well. The faults are often under a dense cover of trees and scrub so soil sampling will be a fairly tedious undertaking.

Previous aero magnetic work indicated a number of magnetic highs over the area but of nowhere near the magnitude determined in the grid. It is likely that the smoothing produced magnetic highs which bear little relationship to the complex pattern measured over the grid and hence follow up work carried out by previous tenement holders could easily have missed the magnetic anomalies on the ground.

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ANALYTICAL REPORT

JOB NO: SAL 39B

CLIENT ORDER: ZGT0159

METHOD OF PREPARATIONS AND ANALYSIS USED

- GP4: Sample is dried, hand pummelled if necessary and sieved at 80 mesh. Minus fraction analysed. Oversize retained.
- G1 Aqua Regia digestion - 20g sample. Determined by AAS.
- G2(B) Nitric/Perchloric digestion - Base Metals.
Determined by AAS.
- G2(H) Nitric/Perchloric digestion - Hydride Elements.
Determined by AAS.

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No of Samples _____
Type of Samples SOILS / ROCKS

Ref No SAL 0021

Date In 17/1/89

Date Required _____

Date Completed _____

SOILS
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Analysis	PPb Am	PPM Cu	PPM As	PPb chk Am		PPb Am	PPM Cu	PPM As	PPb chk Am
Sample No(s)									
C1	4	4	1.0		D4	5	2	<0.5	
2	7	3	<0.5		5	3	3	1.0	
3	3	3	1.0		6	3	2	0.5	
4	3	2	1.0		7	5	3	<0.5	
5	5	3	<0.5		8	2	2	↓	
6	3	8	<0.5		9	1	2	↓	
7	4	4	0.5		10	76	3	3.5	(92)
8	4	3	1.0		11	2	2	<0.5	
9	6	4	1.0		12	2	3	↓	
10	4	3	1.5		13	4	4	↓	
11	5	2	<0.5		14	8	2	1.0	
12	4	2	1.0		15	4	3	0.5	
13	3	2	0.5		16	2	3	0.5	
14	6	3	<0.5		17	52	3	4.0	(49)
15	2	2	2.0		18	60	3	3.0	(60)
16	6	4	1.0		19	7	3	<0.5	
17	6	3	0.5		20	4	5	1.0	
18	2	3	1.0		21	4	5	2.0	
19	<1	2	<0.5		E1	3	3	3.0	
20	2	3	1.0		2	3	4	1.5	
21	6	4	0.5		3	4	8	1.0	
D1	2	2	0.5		4	3	4	<0.5	
2	4	15	<0.5		5	1	4	1.5	
3	9	3	↓		6	2	5	1.5	
Rk	—	<1	↓		Std	320	2200	870	
LLD	1	1	0.5	1		1	1	0.5	1
METHOD	D1	D2(B)	D2(H)	D1		D1	D2(B)	D2(H)	D1
PREP	SP4	SP4	SP4	SP4		SP4	SP4	SP4	SP4

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Ref No. JAL 0021Type of Samples SOILS / ROCKSDate In 17/1/89

Date Required _____

Date Completed _____

Analysis	Sample No(s)	ppb			ppb chk A		ppb			ppb chk A
		A	C	As			A	C	As	
E7		3	4	1.0		F10	2	3	3.0	
8		6	5	<0.5		11	10	16	8.5	
9		3	3	0.5		12	7	8	1.5	
10		11	254	1.0		13	5	4	1.0	
11		7	152	<0.5		14	3	3	0.5	
12		2	7			15	4	2	<0.5	
13		4	5			16	2	4	0.5	
14		3	4			17	4	4		
15		6	8			18	4	5		
16		6	3	0.5		19	3	4		
17		2	2	0.5		20	2	3		
18		5	4	1.0		21	26	7	1.0	(26)
19		1	3	<0.5		G1	2	4	<0.5	
20		2	5	0.5		2	2	2	1.0	
21		2	3	<0.5		3	4	7	<0.5	
F1		4	4			4	5	4		
2		7	2			5	4	6		
3		3	10	0.5		6	3	5		
4		3	5	1.0		7	3	3	1.5	
5		6	44	2.0		8	7	4	1.0	
6		5	4	1.5		9	12	3	0.5	
7		5	3	1.0		10	9	4	1.0	
8		2	2	1.0		11	3	5	<0.5	
9		2	3	0.5		12	10	4	0.5	
Blk		-	<1	<0.5		Std	930	2130	870	

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Ref No SAL 0021Type of Samples SOILS/ROCKSDate In 17/1/89

Date Required _____

Date Completed _____

Analysis	ppb Am	ppm Cu	ppm As	ppb Cd Am		ppb Am	ppm Cu	ppm As	ppb Cd Am
Sample No(s)									
J6	6	3	0.5		J(-6)	6	3	1.0	
J7	5	2			(-7)	1	2	0.5	
J8	2	2			(-8)	3	4	1.0	
J9	3	1			(-9)	1	10	4.0	
J10	—NO SAMPLE—				(-10)	2	3	<0.5	
J11	3	3	1.0		(-11)	9	4	1.0	
12	3	2	0.5		11	3	4	1.5	
13	7	4	<0.5		2	3	3	0.5	
14	5	3	0.5		3	<1	3		
15	1	2	1.0		4	5	5		
16	4	2			5	4	6	1.0	
17	9	3			6	3	3	1.0	
18	3	2	0.5		7	2	2	1.5	
19	3	3	1.0		8	2	3	0.5	
20	8	4			9	4	3	<0.5	
21	4	2			10	2	<1	0.5	
22	5	2	<0.5		11	—NO SAMPLE—			
23	3	5	0.5		12	—NO SAMPLE—			
J(-0)	2	4	0.5		13	—NO SAMPLE—			
(-1)	5	3	1.0		14	3	1	1.0	
(-2)	4	4			15	2	2	0.5	
(-3)	<1	5			16	5	4	0.5	
(-4)	2	6			17	2	3	1.0	
(-5)	5	4	<0.5		18	<1	3	0.5	
Btc	—	<1	<0.5		Std	860	2210	900	

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 Type of Samples SOILS / ROCKS

Ref No SAL 0021
 Date In 17/1/89
 Date Required _____
 Date Completed _____

Analysis		Ppb Am	Ppm Cu	Ppm As	Ppb Chk Am			Ppb Am	Ppm Cu	Ppm As	Ppb Chk Am
Sample No(s)											
K19		4	3	2.0		L19		3	4	1.0	
20		3	3	1.5		20		5	4		
21		6	5	1.0		21		4	3		
22		2	4	2.0		22		6	4		
23		5	6	0.5		23		2	2	<0.5	
24		4	4	1.0		24		5	3	<0.5	
L1		5	3	<0.5							
						<u>EXTRA</u>					
2		3	4			C11		7	3	0.5	
3		2	4			E10		3	12	0.5	
4		5	5			ADIT H(-5)		55	1250	10	(55)
5		8	4			K/L(-1)		3	4	1.0	
6		7	3	0.5		F/E13		125	65	8.5	(125)
7		4	4	<0.5							
8		3	4			<u>ROCKS</u>					
9		1	2			F5		9	14	4.5	
10		2	5			F21		3	8	1.5	
11		<1	4	1.0		G10		5	10	<0.5	
12		6	6	1.0		G11		5	6	<0.5	
13		5	4	0.5		G13		2	10	0.5	
14		5	3	<0.5		G19		(82)	6	8.0	
15		3	2	0.5		H(-5) ADIT		(70)	285	20	
16		5	3			J(-11)		7	16	5.0	
17		2	3			K/L(-1)		4	27	18	
18		4	5								
Bk		-	<1	<0.5							

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Ref No SAL 0021

Type of Samples SOILS / ROCKS

Date In 17/1/89

Date Required _____

Date Completed _____

Analysis	ppb Au	ppm Cu	ppm As	ppb Cd Au		ppb Au	ppm Cu	ppm As	ppb Cd Au
Sample No(s)	Au	Cu	As	Au		Au	Cu	As	Au
<u>ROCKS</u> ADIF 1/1	170	8.2%	22		K-8/-7	5	7	<0.5	
1/2	170	35.5%	43		L0	1650	10		
2/1	3	1150	8.5		L5	13	8		
2/2	8	150	3.5						
2/3	5	198	3.5		DURS				
3/1	250	6.32	30		D3	7	3	<0.5	
3/2	4	3.62	12		E6	4	4	1.5	
3/3	210	9.22	19		F9	2	3	1.0	
3/4	135	6.32	16		G12	7	4	1.0	
J23/k23	37	145	9.0		H15	4	1	0.5	
KL 24/-	3	338	6.5		J5	6	4	0.5	
SHAFT 1	3	2400	11		J(-5)	4	3	<0.5	
					K18	2	3		
<u>STREAM SEDIMENTS</u>					L18	3	5		
425 316	7	10	<0.5		S/S L5	13	7		
317	2	11							
318	2	10							
319	<1	9							
320	3	7							
321	4	9							
G20/21	6	5							
H3/2	3	4							
H20/21	3	4							
J17/18	4	4							
J19	3	6							
NOTE	All - 425µm washed for Au (Stream Sediments only)								

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Date Completed _____

Analysis	ppm Pb	ppm Zn	ppm Ba	ppm Sn	ppm Cr								
Sample No(s)													
SOILS D9	6	12	230	3	//								
10	7	14	215	4	//								
11	6	8	120	2	//								
16	4	8	110	<2	//								
17	7	4	115		//								
18	6	6	110		//								
19	6	5	110		//								
E9	8	4	140		//								
10	7	4	165		//								
11	11	10	265		//								
12	11	5	320		//								
F20	4	3	170	↓	//								
21	5	4	185		//								
G17	4	4	130	2	//								
18	4	4	165	<2	//								
19	6	5	165	<2	//								
20	6	8	250	2	//								
ADIT H(-5)	63	34	85	4	//								
F/E 13	7	13	175	3	//								
ROCKS G19	6	40	385	2	//								
ADIT H(-5)	40	31	75	4	//								
J23/k23	22	17	375	<2	//								
KL24/2	52	29	610	3	//								
Std	455	1570	600	120	//								
LLD	2	1	5	2	2								
METHOD													
PREP	SP4	SP4	SP4	SP4	SP4								

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Ref No SAL 0039 (A)

Type of Samples SOILS / ROCKS

Date In 8/3/89

Date Required _____

Date Completed _____

SOILS AREA.

SOILS
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Analysis	PPb An	PPb chk An				PPb An	PPb chk An
Sample No(s)							
C/D 10	2			F/G	12	4	
16	4				17	4	
17	4				18	7	
18	8				19	2	
19	(12)				20	3	
D/E 9	4				21	(28)	(26)
10	6				22	4	
11	2			G/H	8	5	
17	(16)				9	8	
18	(12)				10	7	
19	6				11	2	
E/F 9	4				12	8	
10	8				13	4	
11	9				17	5	
12	5				18	5	
13	3				19	4	
14	(22)	(20)			20	7	
15	7				21	6	
20	5			J/K	23	3	
21	(13)				24	13	
22	(10)				25	5	
23	7				26	8	
F/G 10	6				27	4	
11	3				28	2	
Bk	-				Std	810	
LLD	1	1				1	1
METHOD	G1	G1				G1	G1
PREP	GP4	GP4				GP4	GP4

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Analysis	Ppb Am	Ppb chk Am				Ppb Am	Ppb chk Am
Sample No(s)							
J/K 29	3				10	110	95
K/L 23	4				11	4	
24	4				12	3	
25	2				13	8	
M/N 0	<1				14	6	
E 0	7			H(S) ADIT ENTRANCE FLOOR		4	
-1	2			HOLE FLOOR		5	
-2	2			MIDDLE FLOOR		7	
F 11	80	97	ADIT FLOOR	HOLE SURFACE		4	
22	6			ENTRANCE SURFACE		2	
23	14			MIDDLE SURFACE		3	
G 22	5						
23	2			EXTRAS			
24	3			UNMARKED		2	
H 29	4			J/K 26/27 "STREAM"		5	
MOUNT BOLTON/ TUNNEL RIDGE 1	6	50	mtg part				
2	15			ROCKS			
3	3			C/O 10		4	
4	<1			D/E 9		3	
5	4			10		5	
6	4			11		4	
7	5			E/H 9		4	
8	2			10		6	
9	85	95		12		5	
Bk	-			24		910	

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Type of Samples SOILS/ROCKS

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Analysis	PPb A _m	PPb Ck A _m				PPb A _m	PPb Ck A _m
Sample No(s)							
E/F 14	31	28			K29	<1	
15	3			MT BASIN/	1	3	
F/G 10	8			TOWER RIDGE	2	7	
11	42	50			5	2	
17	3				7	<1	
19	<1			HS ADIT	MIDDLE SURFACE	5	
20	3				HOLE SURFACE	6	
22	4				UNMARKED	3	
G/H 18	5						
19	5				ROCKS ONLY		
20	5				K1	3	
21	7				K24	<1	
J/K 23	2				J/KO	<1	
24	13			HS ADIT	+150m	7	
25	3				+300m	5	
27	3				WALL ROCK HOLE	2	
28	6						
29	11				STREAM SEDIMENTS		
K/L 23	6			-425μ	E-2	6	
24	4				F/G 17	18	
M/N C	7				G/H 20/21	9	
E-2	4				JO	7	
F 22	5				J8	4	
23	4				LO	3	
Bk	-				SL	870	
					NOTE	ALL -425μ weighed for Am	
						(Stream Sediments Only)	

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Type of Samples SOILS/ROCKS

Date In 8/3/89

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Date Completed _____

NEW AREA NORTH FLANK
MT. VERO.

Analysis		PPb	PPm	PPm	PPb			PPb	PPm	PPm	PPb
Sample No(s)		Am	Am	As	Am			Am	Am	As	Am
SOILS	2/3/1	10	5			11	FLOOR	4	15		
	2	6	3			12		4	18		
	3	7	3			17	DW STREAM	3	11		
	5	8	4			18		12	10		
	6	5	3			19		2	14		
	9	9	4								
	10	11	2				ROCKS ONLY				
	10 RIDGE	2	3								
DYKE/ADIT	11 FLOOR	3	10			2/3/11		4	5		
	11 WALL	7	8			2/3/12		4	15		
	14	4	2			2/3/15		6	7		
	17	6	2			DYKE		11	8		
DW STREAM	17	3	4			CK MAIN STREAM		3	8		
	18	200	3		210						
	19	4	3			STREAM SEDIMENTS					
						2/3/4		6	4		
ROCKS						2/3/8		<1	3		
	2/3/1	4	12			2/3/8	MAIN CREEK	<1	<1		
	3	4	7			2/3/12		3	2		
	5	3	5			2/3/16		5	1		
	6	6	26			2/3/7	TONGUE TRUB	7	1		
	9	4	14			DUPS					
	10	5	10			2/3/19		4	4		
	10 RIDGE	3	6			ROCK 2/3/10		3	10		
	PK	-	<1			SS 2/3/12		2	3		
						SLD		910	2250		
LLD		1	1	0.5	1						
METHOD		G1	G2(B)	G2(L)	G1	NOTE		All -425 μ m weighed for Am			
PREP		GP4	GPC	GP4	GP4			(Stream Sediments Only)			

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PETROLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF
TWO ROCK SAMPLES

Report No: L5/85/326

22nd March, 1989

For: Sydney Analytical Laboratories Pty Ltd

J. Barron
 Dr. B.J. Barron
 Consulting Petrologist

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Sample No.

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Rock Type

Partly altered, foliated and deformed very fine grained claystone with numerous narrow quartz siltstone bands.

Hand Specimen

A fine grained pale green to pale grey foliated sample with poorly defined narrow deformed layering. The rock is partly stained by yellow-brown limonitic oxides.

Thin Section

Grain size layering is characteristic in part of this sample, in which very narrow deformed and discontinuous quartz-rich silty bands, alternate with exceptionally fine clay-rich bands. Accessory heavy detrital grains in the finely recrystallised quartz-rich silty bands include tourmaline (added to epitaxially), zircon and apatite. The fine clay-rich bands which predominate, contain minor proportions of quartz and sparse minute prisms of tourmaline, set in a dense mat of weakly foliated exceptionally fine grained wispy birefringent clay (?sericite, pyrophyllite, etc.). Irregular patches and deformed flakes of green chlorite are present in both the clay-rich and quartz-rich fractions.

Several deformed and recrystallised veinlets that cut across the rock contain dominant strained quartz with subordinate patches of chlorite and minor cubic sites that once may have comprised sulphides. Ubiquitous fine grained disseminated patches of ?leucoxene are located mostly within the argillic bands.

The sample may be identified as a partly altered foliated and deformed very fine grained claystone with numerous narrow quartz siltstone bands.

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Sample No.

Toner South

Rock Type

Finely recrystallised fine grained quartzite derived from a well sorted fine grained arenaceous parent.

Hand Specimen

A massive mid grey siliceous sample (well rounded river 7cobble) with a pale red-brown partly oxidised and stained weathering rind. Small voids coated with red-brown limonitic oxides once may have comprised disseminated sulphides.

Thin Section

Well sorted clastic texture is clearly evident in this very fine grained quartz-rich sediment that has been distinctly recrystallised. Well rounded detrital grains now exhibit strain shadows and strongly sutured grain boundaries, with dusty trails of oxides marking original grain shapes.

A very meagre rock matrix comprises wispy flakes of green chlorite (possibly altered biotite), and sparse disseminated sulphide grains that are partly oxidised or else occupy sites that are partly void. Rare small rounded zircon grains and tourmaline are relict primary heavy accessory phases.

The sample may be classed as a finely recrystallised fine grained quartzite derived from a well sorted fine grained arenaceous parent.



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SUMMMARY

Magnetic and self potential surveys plus some VLF traverses have been conducted over an area with prospective surface gold values in north-west Tasmania. The sources of the recorded magnetic highs are interpreted to be disseminated magnetite in the Precambrian sediments but one drill hole, beneath elevated gold values, is recommended to confirm this. A strong but local self potential anomaly was defined over a mineralised vein which has been exposed at some old workings and a second hole is recommended to test the vein at depth. A third hole is targeted beneath an adjacent self potential anomaly which also has associated anomalous gold. Details of the suggested holes are listed in Table 1.

These three holes are largely based on the geophysics and cover only a small region in the vicinity of the old workings. It is noted that a number of other equally prospective zones in the nearby region were defined by the original sampling program, but none of these has, as yet, been followed up.



INTRODUCTION

The Toner Grid covers an area of old workings some 14kms to the west-north-west of the Savage River iron ore mine in western Tasmania. The grid, which is named after the nearby Toner River, straddles the boundary between E.L.'s 34/85 and 6/88 both of which are held by Wolston Developments. These E.L.'s are partially within the Arthur-Pieman Protected Area and partially within unassigned crown land; both regions being available for mineral exploration and extraction under the State's normal statutes. Although at present inaccessible on the ground -a helicopter was used to transport personnel carrying out the surveys described here -a road is planned to pass within a few hundred metres of the gridded area.

This report presents the results of geophysical surveys carried out during March, 1989. This data has been integrated with encouraging soil and rock chip gold assays to define some drill targets. Prospective gold assays have also been recorded in the region around the gridded area.

EXPLORATION TARGETS AND GEOLOGICAL SETTING

The geology of the area has not been mapped (or at least published) in any detail. On the Mines Dept's 1:250,000 scale 'Burnie' sheet, the area is shown as undifferentiated Precambrian sediments of the Rocky Cape Group. In the survey region these are relatively unmetamorphosed arenites. Parts of the grid have a thin veneer of Tertiary quartz gravel. This map also shows a number of north-east trending Precambrian dolerite dykes within the area of interest; but none have been noticed within the gridded area. The rocks strike to the north-east (about 35° magnetic) with a generally steep(?) dip. Some tight folding can be observed on outcrops and a number of regional cross-cutting fractures can be seen in the aerial photography.

The grid has been centred on some old workings which intersected a vein of copper-bearing sulphides. (The trend of this vein, about 113° magnetic, can also be seen on the aerial photography.) The results of a soil sampling program by Wolston Developments has revealed some elevated gold values and gold is now the prime target. (Elevated rare earths have also been recorded in the soil samples.)

Geochemical sampling in the region of the old workings has shown that surface leaching of the gold has apparently taken place -rocks containing gold in potentially economic quantities at depths of a metre or so, have no surface expression. Thus geophysical surveys were employed to help define the structure and possibly locate sulphides with which the gold is apparently associated. Magnetic and VLF surveys were recommended for the former purpose, while self potential (SP) was suggested for locating shallow sulphides such as had been observed in the adit. The induced polarisation (IP) technique was expected to be more effective for detecting disseminated sulphides, but it was decided to first evaluate the magnetic, SP and VLF results.



EXPLORATION HISTORY

The Toner Grid covers a section of the Toner River Mining Properties described in some detail by Ward (1911). Originally prospected for copper, the old workings consist of a number of small tunnels and trenches and, in the gridded area, a shaft. A number of companies have included the area as part of their regional exploration programs. These include the Mt Lyell Mining and Railway Company who carried out some sampling for base metals without encouragement (Hutton, 1981) and Geopeko who investigated a number of magnetic anomalies in the vicinity during a search for tin-bearing skarns. Most anomalies were attributed to disseminated magnetite in the sediments, but some were considered to be caused by pyrrhotite (Pemberton, 1984). The Toner grid exploration by Wolston Developments follows a regional sampling program (Anon., 1988).

GRID AND SURVEY DETAILS

The Toner grid was originally established for soil geochemical sampling. It was surveyed in by compass and pacing, with detours around areas of thick bush. This, combined with significant magnetic deviations in areas of anomalous magnetic field, has resulted in a rather irregular grid. Further, the grid has not been precisely positioned on the ground and no absolute (AMG) coordinates are shown on the small scale figures. However the adit at 600E/1100N is approximately located at 337,000mE/5,410,300mN (see Figure 1). The grid lines, at 125° magnetic, were positioned perpendicular to the regional strike and thus are at a very shallow angle to the mineralised vein (ie, Ward's "line of lode" at 110° - 113°: see Figure 2).

Sampling stations on the original grid were marked with flagging tape and specified by a letter and number. Most stations were spaced 25m apart, but some, near the ends of lines, were spaced 30 or 50m apart. To present the geophysical data, a plan using arbitrary coordinates has been employed. Figure 2 shows the original labelled stations on the new coordinate plan. The grid has been idealised, but some attempt has been made to position the stations along the lines.

In March 1989 the grid was surveyed with magnetics and self potential, with limited coverage of VLF-EM. For all techniques, the reading positions were the flagged geochemical sampling points or (paced) intermediate stations. The magnetic survey used a Geometrics 816 proton precession magnetometer on a 3m pole, reading (nominally) at 12.5m intervals. Readings were repeated at regular intervals and the data has been corrected for diurnal variation. Figure 3 shows the magnetic results as profiles and Figure 4 as contours.

The self potential survey was carried out using a digital volt-meter connected to the usual copper/copper sulphate electrodes. The length of connecting wire was such that the base electrode



had to be moved after every 8 to 10 readings (which were again at a nominal 12.5m interval). Also contributing to a lower precision was the use of only a single cross-traverse connecting the survey lines. The results have been presented as profiles in Figure 5 and as contours in Figure 6.

VLF profiles of dip and field strength were made along four lines using the NWC transmitter on a Phoenix VLF-2 receiver at a 25m station spacing. Dip and field strength were recorded and the dip profiles are shown in Figure 7. No strong anomalies were detected and it was decided to concentrate on the magnetics and SP during the time available.

To determine drill targets, the geophysical results have been integrated with the geochemistry. Figure 8 shows a plan of the grid with the gold assays. Most of these values are from shallow soil samples. The other, usually higher, readings are from rock chip assays which have been indicated with an asterisk. Figure 9 gives the profiles of these combined assays.

RESULTS

Magnetics

The magnetic survey recorded a considerable variation of response over the grid. A number of anomalies, apparently parallel to strike, were defined. The sources of these responses are interpreted to be magnetite-rich, strata-bound lithological units, which have been, in places, either faulted off or magnetite-depleted due to hydrothermal(?) alteration. Modelling cannot uniquely determine the distribution of the magnetic sources (ie, there is an infinite number of possible models which will produce the observed profile), but Figures 10 and 11 show that three steeply dipping tabular bodies can provide reasonable fits to the data. Depths in excess of 100m are indicated, but shallower magnetic material is expected to have produced the spikey character in the profile, as is shown for example in Figures 12 (line 400E) and 13 (line 1000E). Relatively modest susceptibilities (eg, 0.002cgs) were used for the modelling, such as might pertain to magnetite-bearing siltstones. If the actual sources have higher susceptibilities, then the bodies should be smaller than indicated. (Depth extent was largely ignored during the modelling. This is not a sensitive parameter and the indicated depths are unlikely to represent reality. Rather, position (of the bulk) of the bodies is the important point.)

Self Potential

Although the filtered contour plan (Figure 6) shows a strong anomaly centred at 700E/1065N, the largest recorded response, in excess of -100mv, was over the old workings at 600E/1100N. (A smoothing filter was applied to the profiles to reduce the spikes in the data -possibly caused by the very dry surface conditions.) The trend of the anomaly shown on the contour plan is quite divorced from the trend of the vein and may indicate a further



occurrence of sulphides, possibly at depth.

Quantitative analysis of SP is rarely carried out because of the gross simplifications that are made for the interpretation. However, if the source of the anomaly at 700E/1065N is assumed to be a dipping plate, then the top of the plate is beneath 1050N at a depth of around 35m. A shallow dip of around 25° to the south is indicated. If the source is assumed to be spherical, then the centre of the sphere lies at about 90m below 1020N (radius not determined).

VLF-EM

A number of low-amplitude anomalies were obtained, which can be tentatively interpreted as responses over faults or contacts trending at about 175° (mag.), but further data is required before any definite correlations can be made.

The Toner grid is at a bearing of 100° from the North West Cape VLF transmitter station (NWC), which is thus well oriented to locate conductors parallel to the trend of the mineralised vein ($\sim 110^{\circ}$). However the traverse lines would be required to be at a much higher angle, eg 0° , to effectively test this feature for a VLF response.

Readings were attempted using the Japanese VLF station, whose orientation was best suited to locate any conductors trending in a more northerly direction; however signal levels were too low.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Although pyrrhotite has been identified among the sulphides present within the Toner grid and has been attributed as the source of aeromagnetic anomalies in the vicinity, it does not appear to be the source of the magnetic anomalies observed here. There is no correlation between the known mineralisation at Toner and the recorded magnetics unless it is a lack of response or 'low', possibly due to alteration. Rather, the source of the anomalies is likely to be disseminated magnetite in the sediments as was concluded by Pemberton (1984) investigating aeromagnetic anomalies in the close vicinity. Pemberton also refers to a slight magnetic response from conformable amphibolites. (The previously mentioned Precambrian dolerite dykes are apparently also either only weakly- or non- magnetic.)

The geophysical surveys were at least partly carried out because soil sampling above rocks containing significant concentrations of gold returned negligible values, indicating that leaching was taking place at the near-surface. And that therefore surface sampling was not necessarily an accurate indication of the sub-surface conditions. Nevertheless, areas of elevated soil (and rock chip) values must be significant and the drill holes recommended below test geophysical anomalies in areas of elevated gold values.



DDH TG1 is designed to test the mineralised vein beneath the old workings and has the highest priority. DDH TG2 tests the adjacent (broad) SP anomaly, while DDH TG3 is designed to locate the source of the magnetic anomalies. The locations are indicated on Figure 8. There is no compelling reason for the northerly drilling directions chosen for all three holes on Figure 8, apart from TG1 where the lower terrain on the southern side of the vein should assist its intersection. Specifications for these drill holes are given in Table 1.

It should be noted that there are a number of other anomalous zones indicated on Figure 8 which are not tested by these holes and that there are also a number of prospective regions indicated on Figure 1, away from the gridded area, which deserve further work.

J.R. Bishop
April, 1989.



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Table 1

RECOMMENDED DRILL HOLES

Hole	Collar	Azimuth (magnetic)	Dip [*]	Length [#] (m)	Purpose
TG1	540E 1090N	23°	~50°	~150	To test beneath the old workings.
TG2	700E 1010N	305°	~50°	~150	To test source of SP anomaly beneath raised gold values.
TG3	550E 1130N	305°	~50°	~150	To test source of magnetic anomaly beneath raised gold values.

* Dip should be shallow to transect as much stratigraphy as possible.

Suggested length should be maximum required to intersect target.

If the drill rig is to be shifted by helicopter, consideration should be given to drilling TG1 and TG3 from the one site.

MOUNT BOLTON

64 11,000mN. 64 10,000mN. 64 09,000mN. 64 08,000mN. 64 07,000mN.

3 36,000mE. 3 37,000mE. 3 38,000mE. 3 36,000mE. 3 37,000mE. 3 38,000mE.

TONER GRID

TONER RIVER

X16

X200

X11

X7

X8

X10

X9

X11

MOUNT HADMAR

MOUNT VERO

5 cm

KEY:
X10 Gold soil sample value

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TONER RIVER AREA
E.L.'s. 34/85 & 6/88
GEOCHEMICAL
SAMPLING LOCATIONS

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Ref: WD/MG89/04

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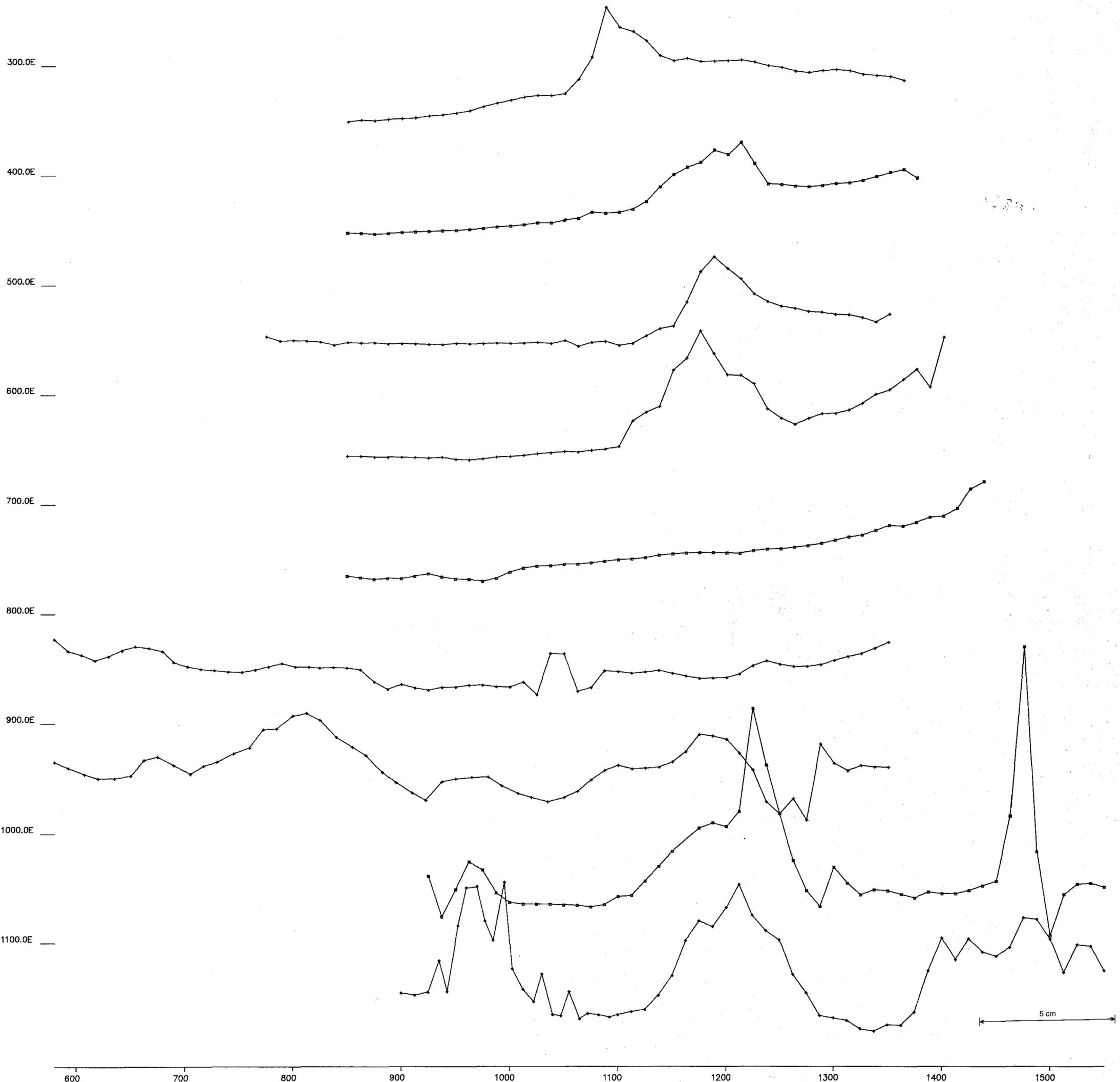
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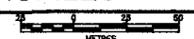
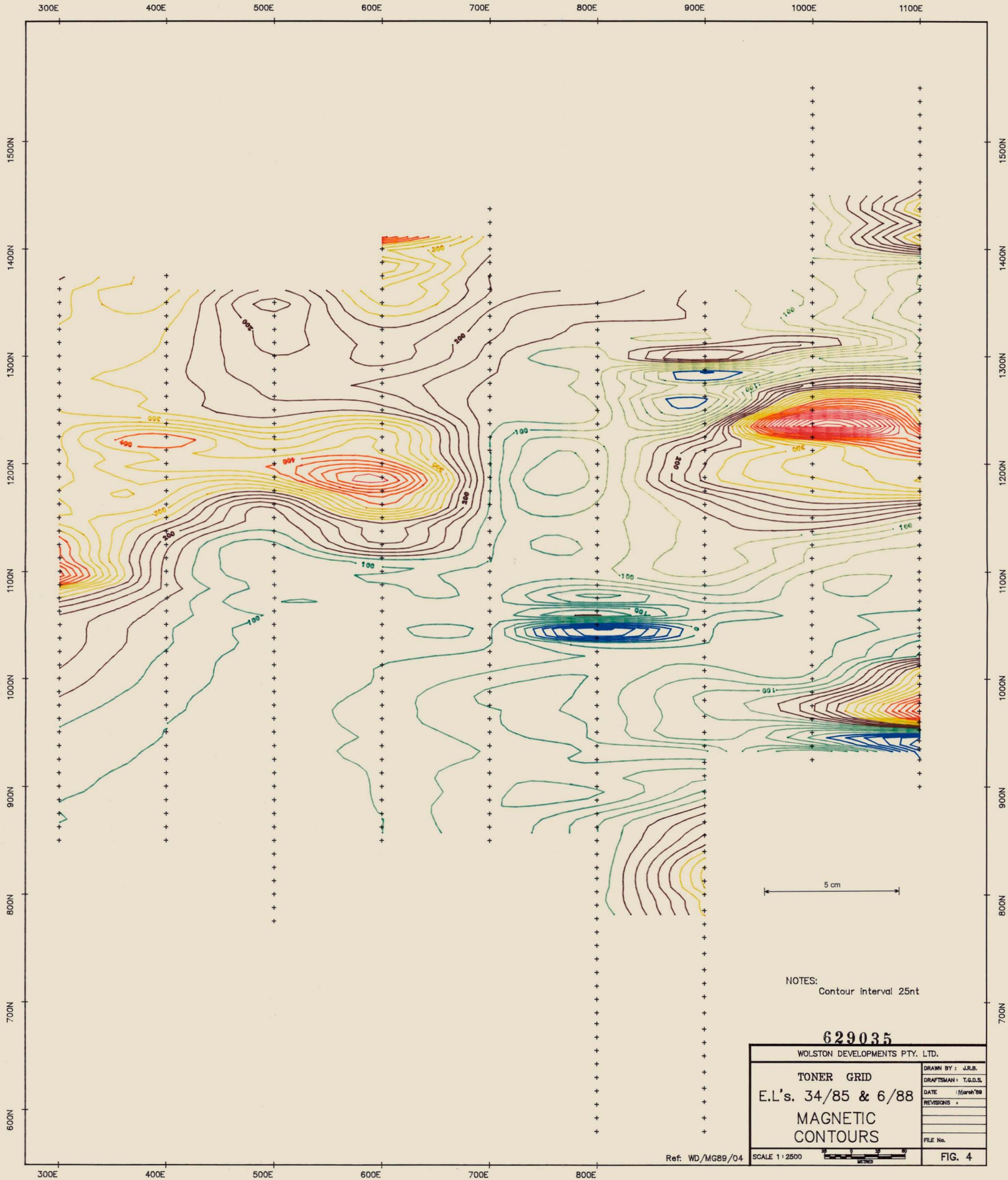


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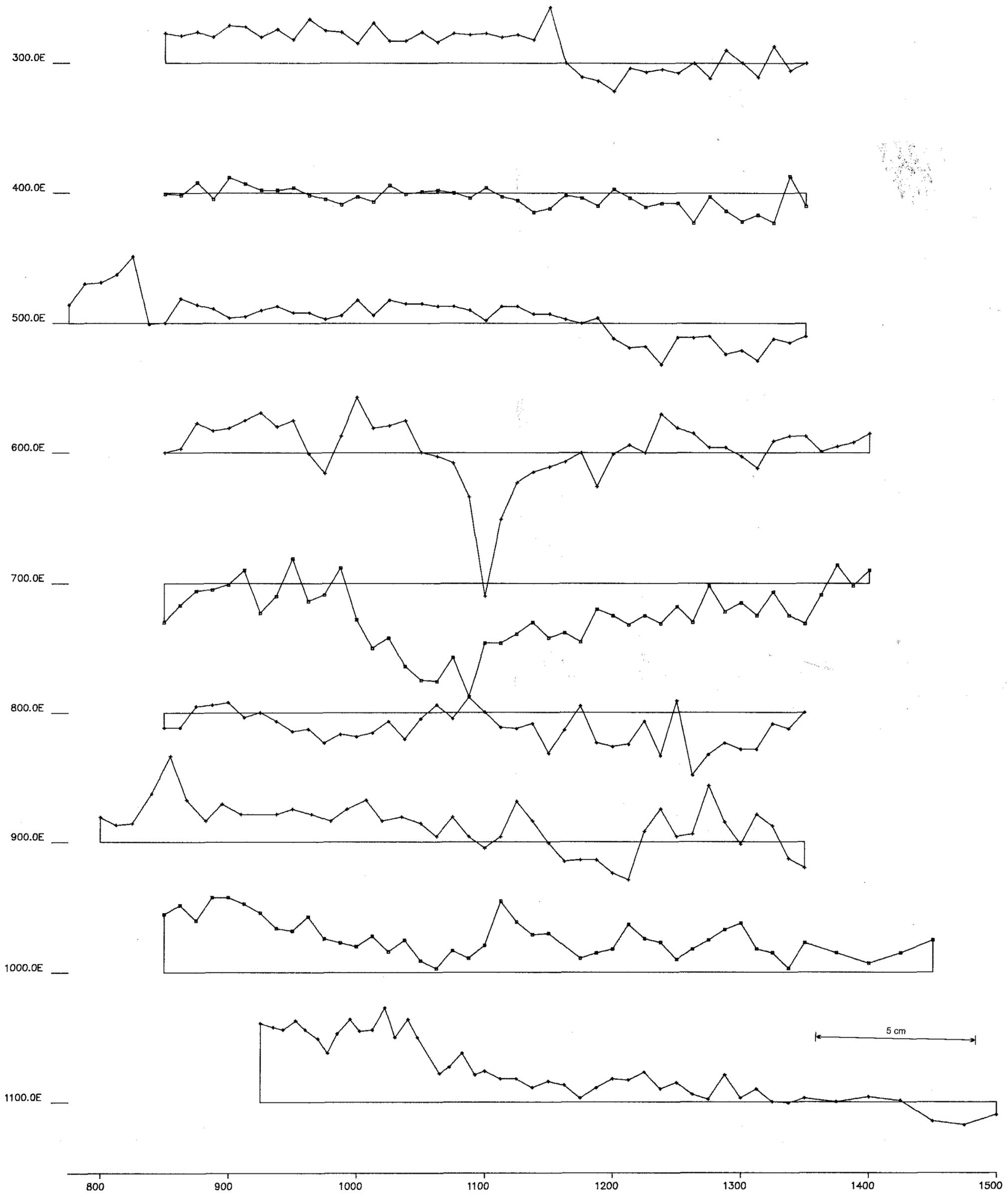
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FIG. 4



NOTES:
 Vertical scale 25mv/sec
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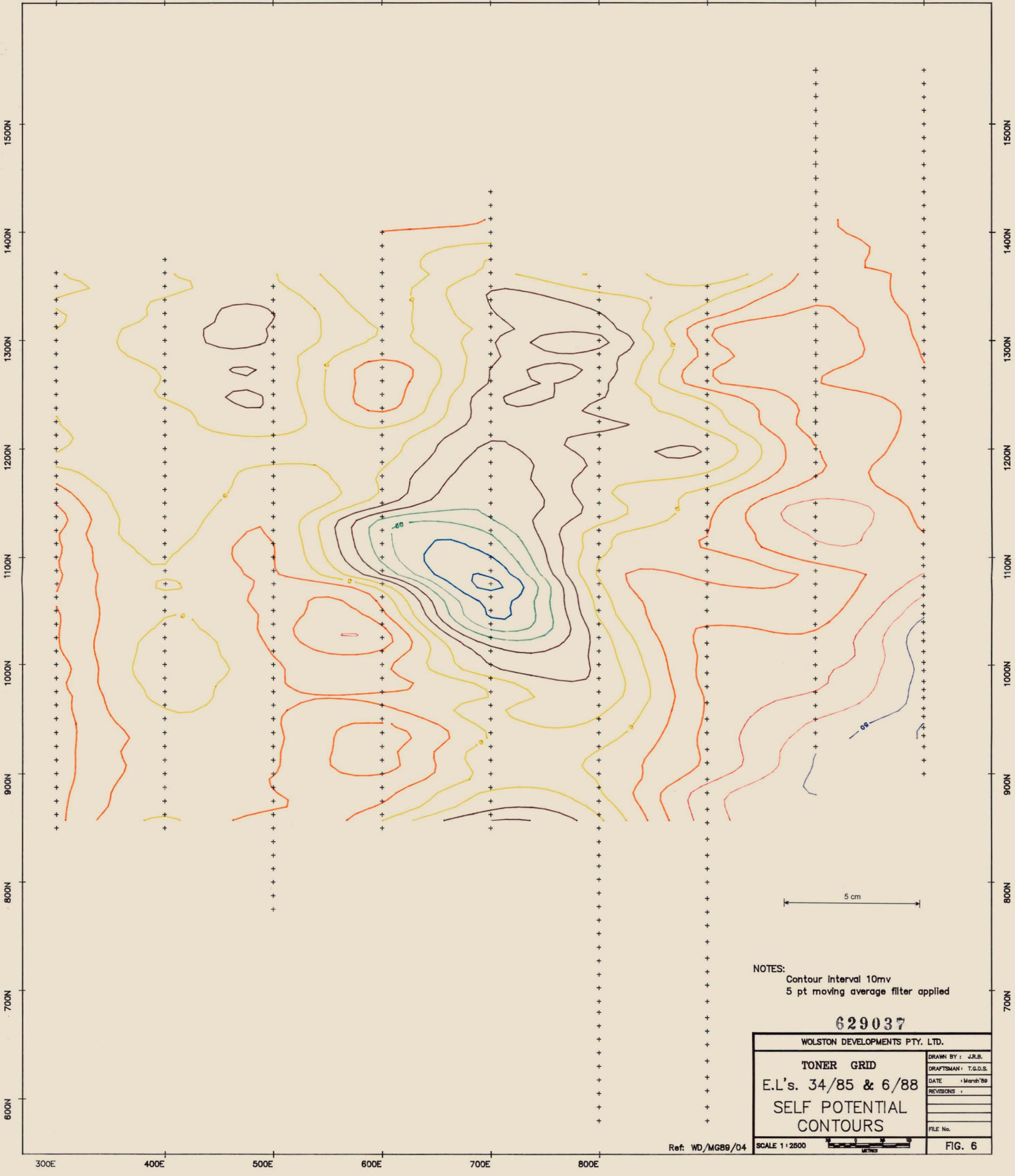
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FIG. 5



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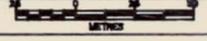
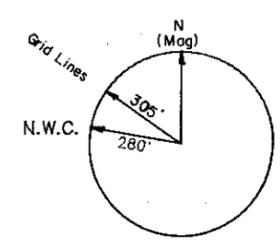
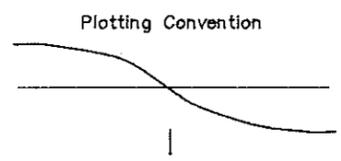
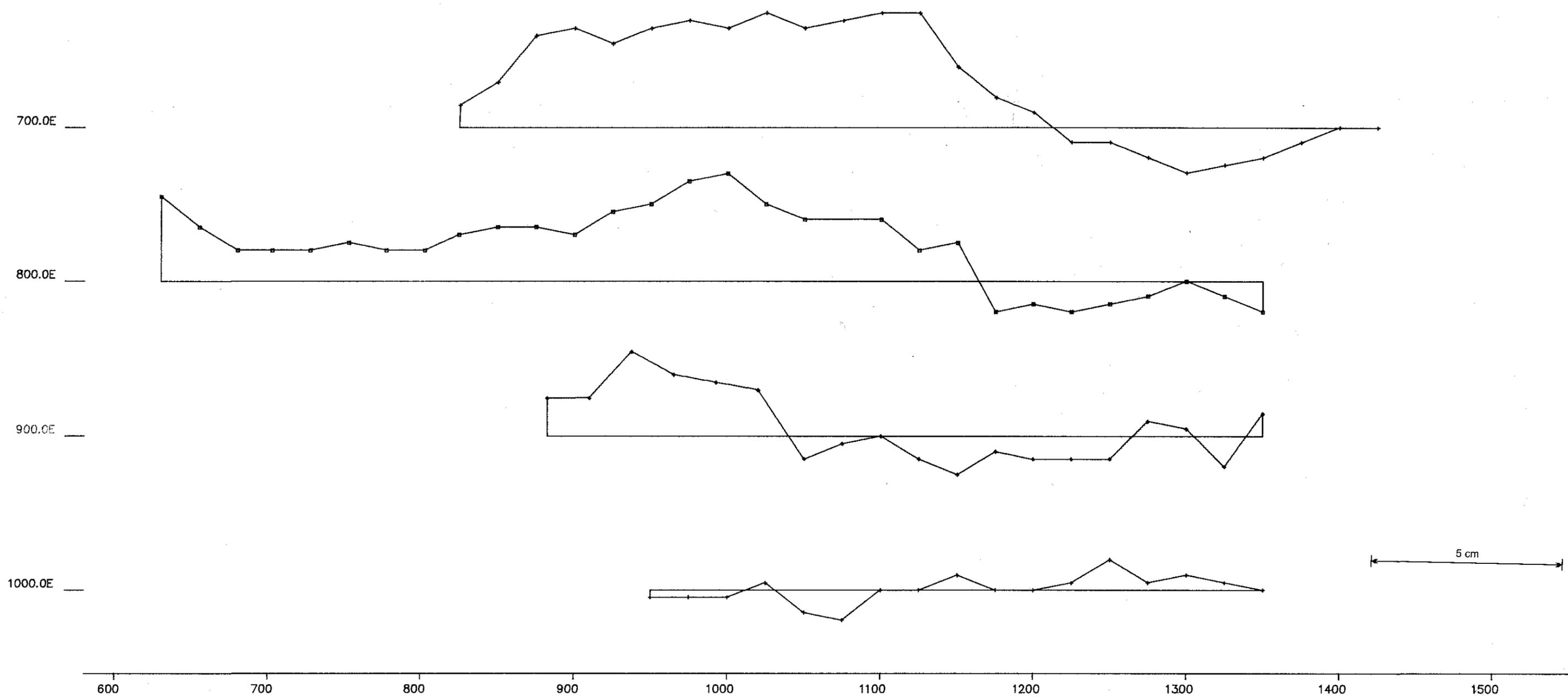


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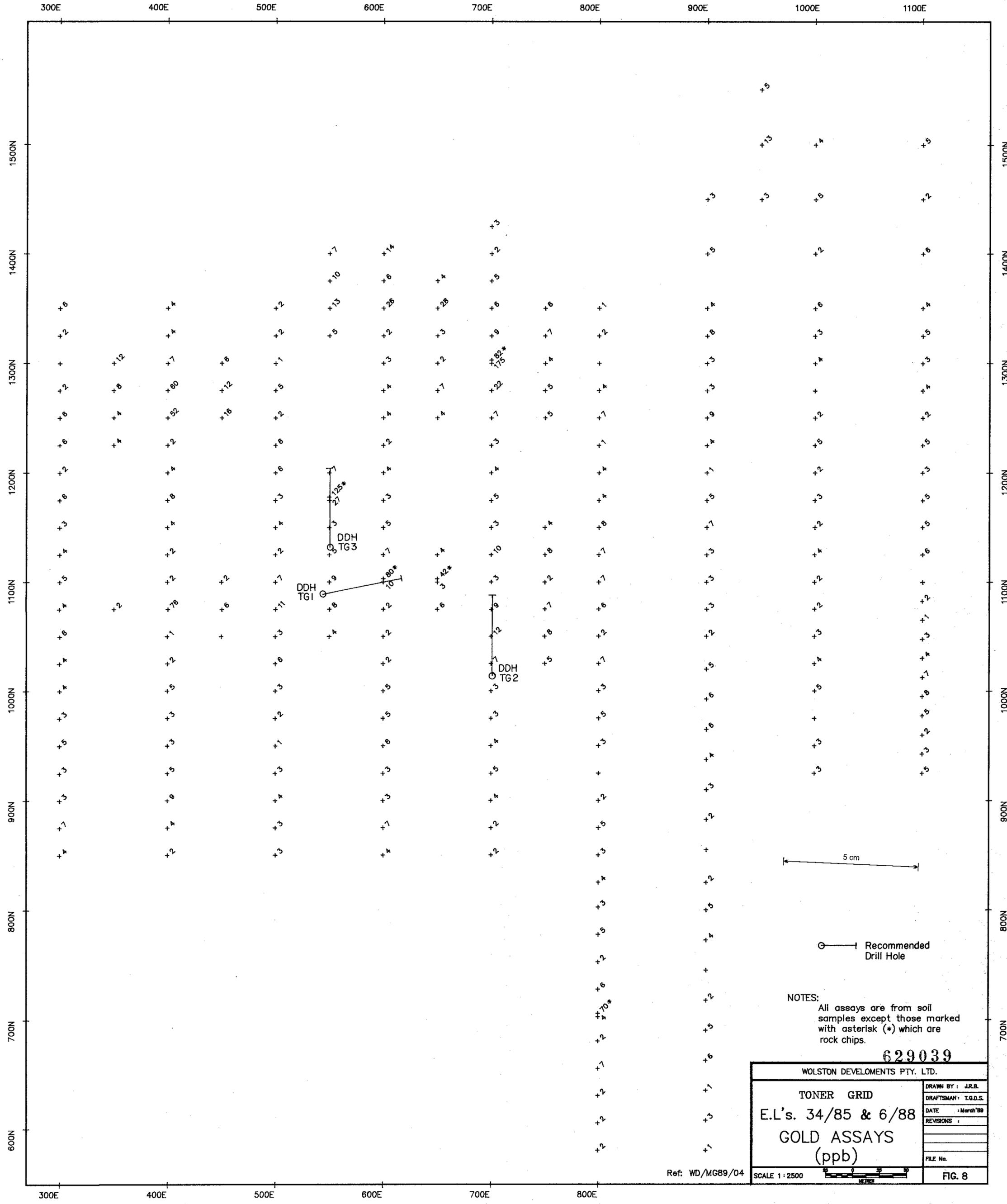
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○ — Recommended Drill Hole

NOTES:
All assays are from soil samples except those marked with asterisk (*) which are rock chips.

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GOLD ASSAYS
(ppb)

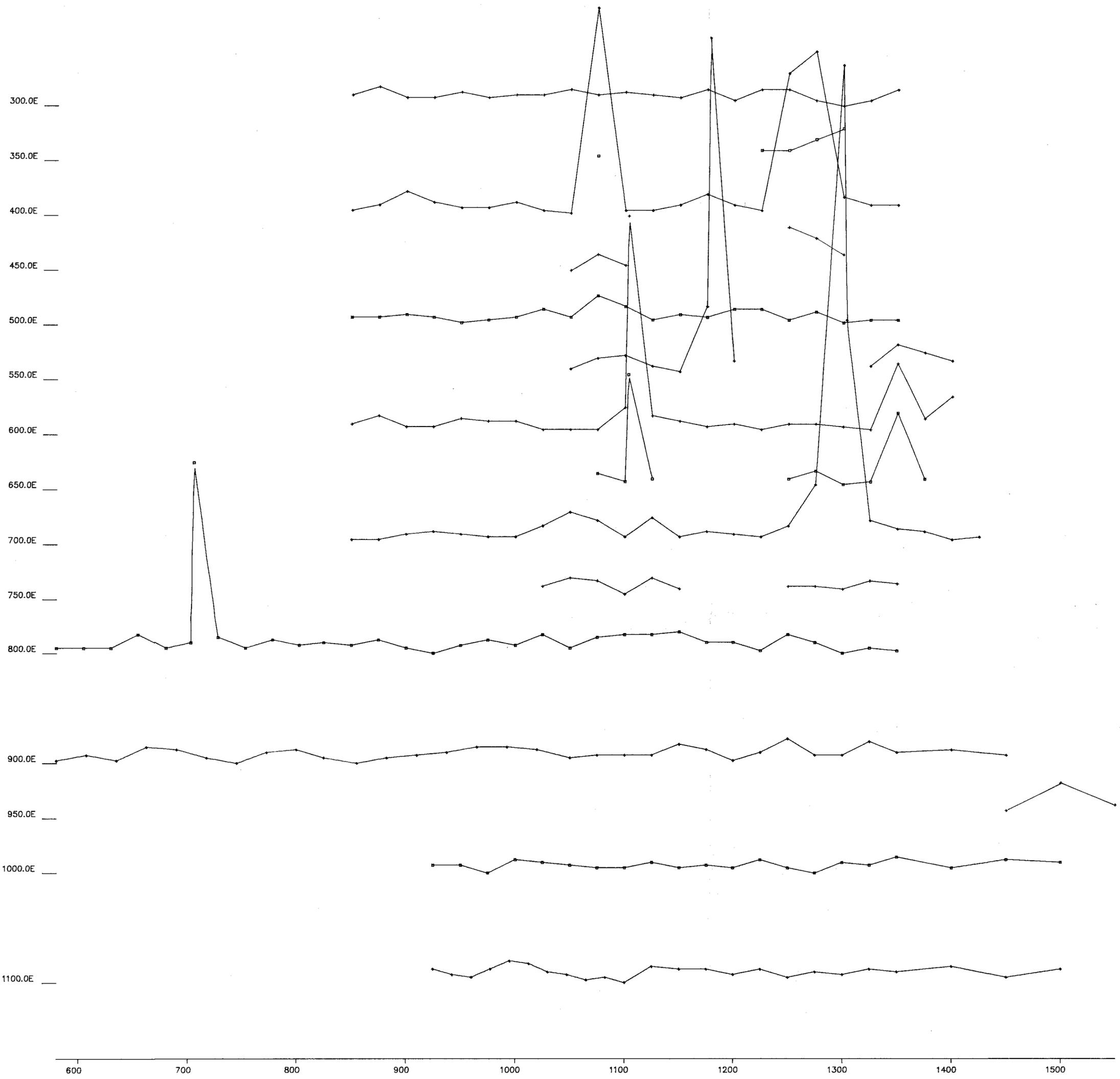
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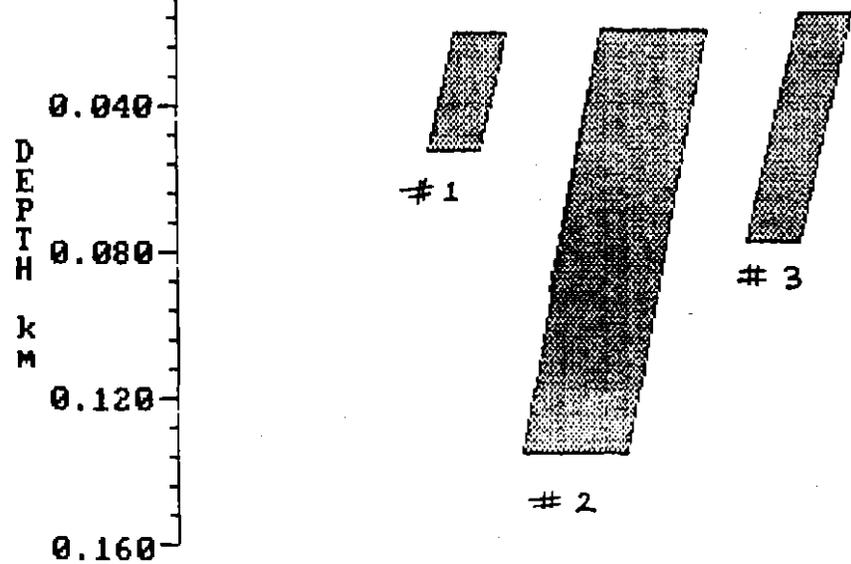
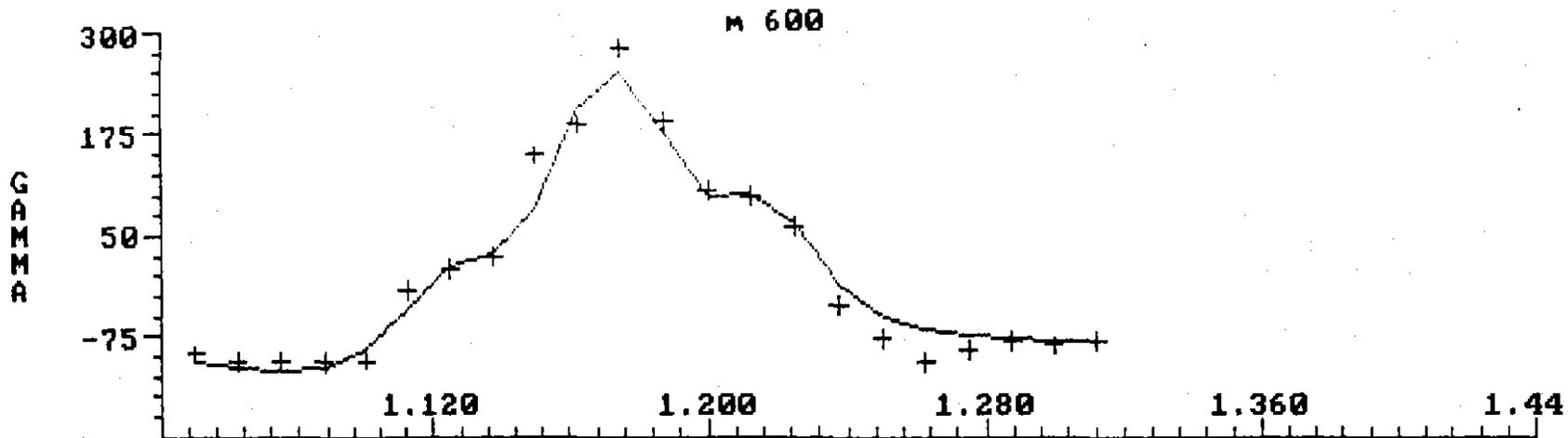


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NOTES:
Vertical scale 10ppb/cm

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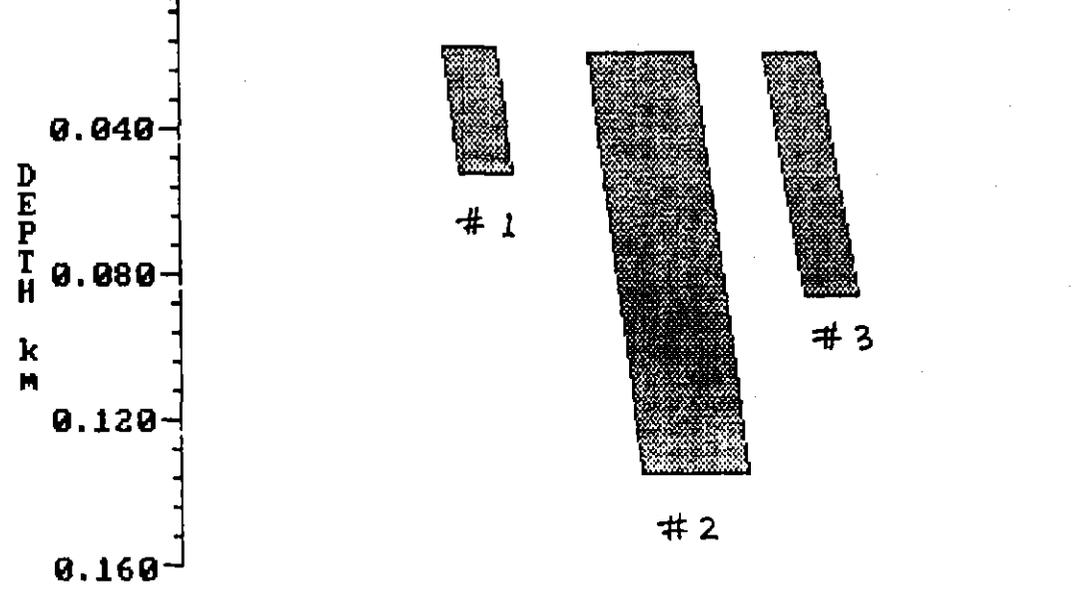
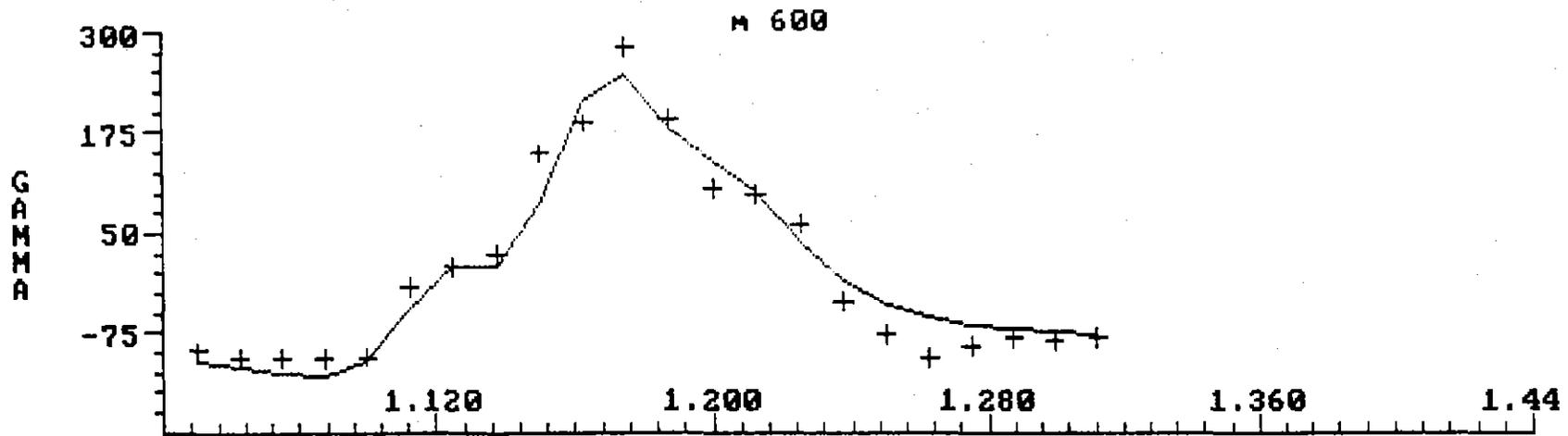


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 MAGNETIC MODELLING
 LINE 600E
 (South Dip)

Fig. 10.

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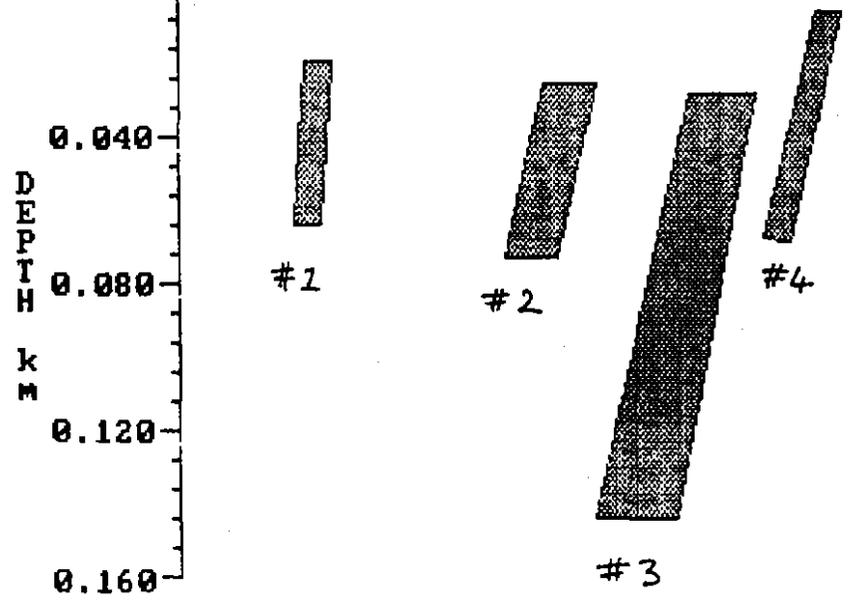
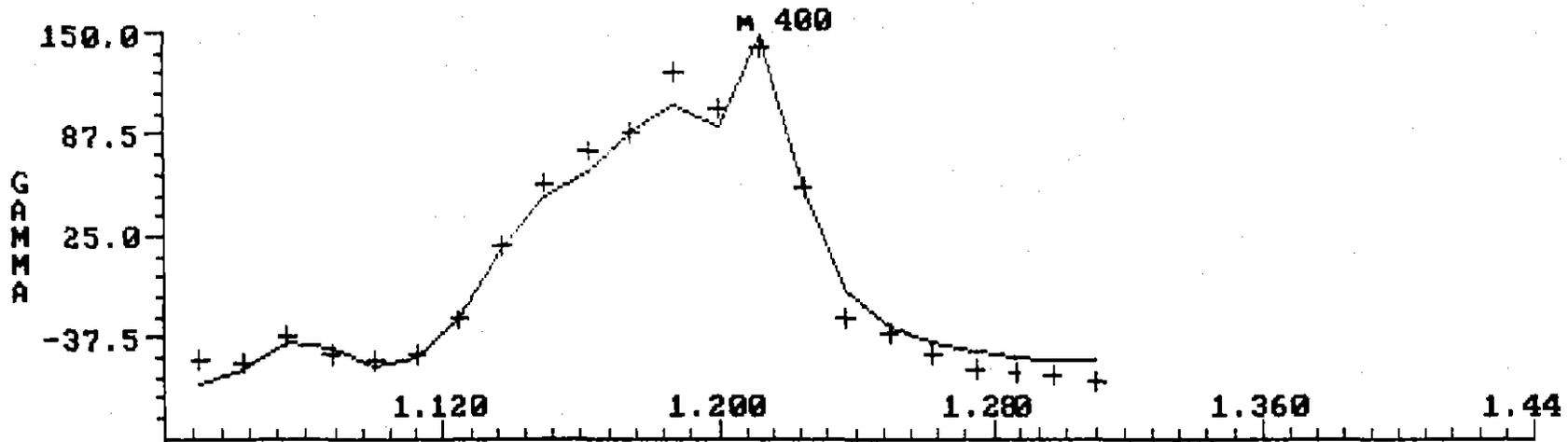


	#1	#2	#3
Susceptibility $\times 10^{-6}$ cgs.	0.002	0.0027	0.0015
Strike length	200m	200m	200m
Total field:	62,200nt		
Dip:	-72°		
Profile azimuth:	305° (mag.)		

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 LINE 600E
 (North Dip)

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Fig. 11.

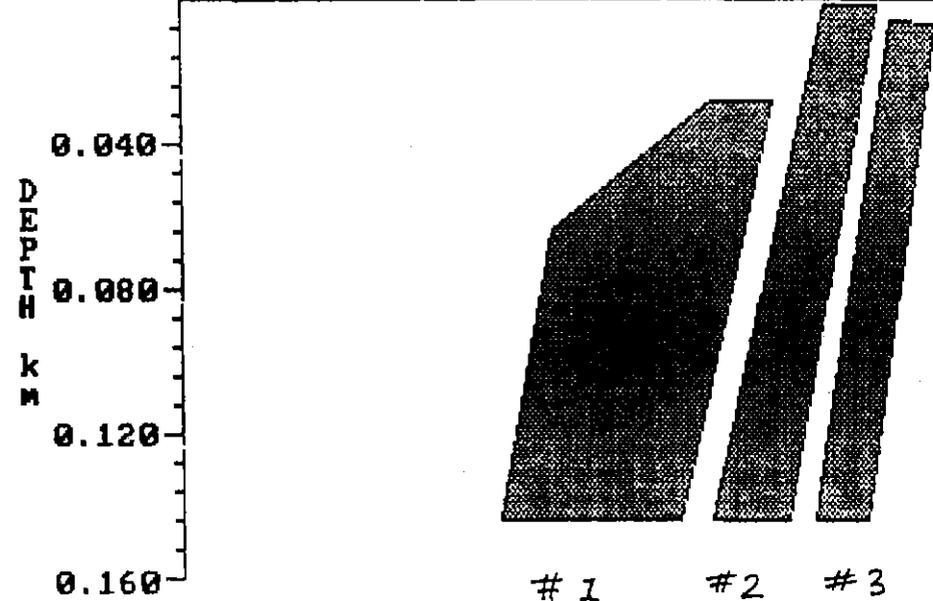
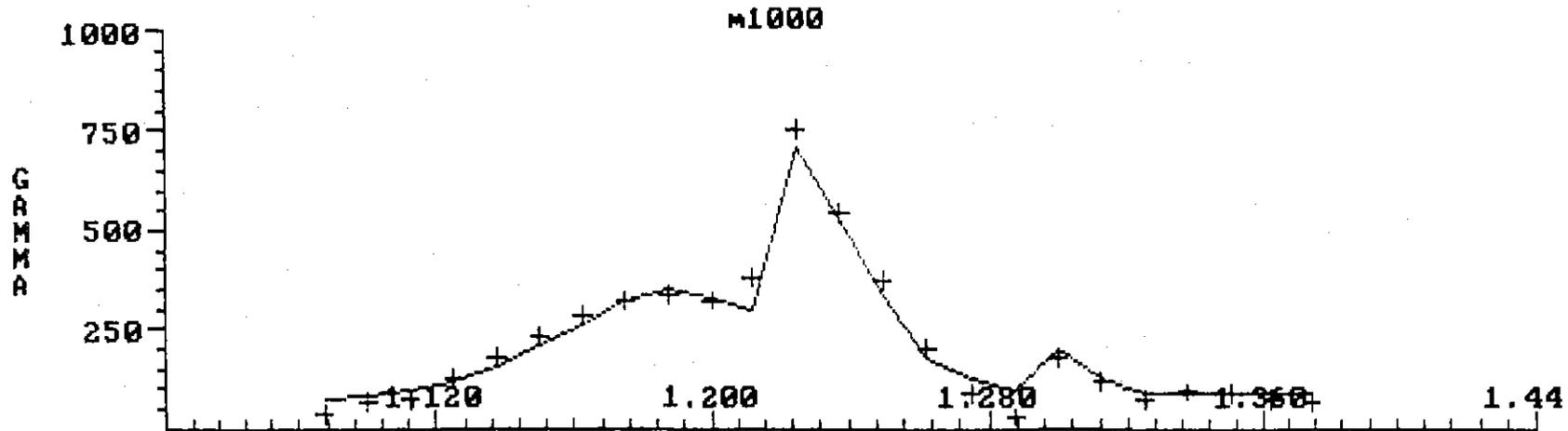


	#1	#2	#3	#4
Susceptibility $\times 10^{-6}$ cgs.	0.0012	0.0018	0.0025	0.0012
Strike length	50m	200m	200m	200m
Total field:	62,200nt			
Dip:	-72°			
Profile azimuth:	305° (mag.)			

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 LINE 400E

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Fig. 12.



	#1	#2	#3	#4
Susceptibility cgs.	0.0027	0.0015	0.002	0.0012
Strike length	200m	200m	200m	100m
Total field:	62,200nt			
Dip:	-72°			
Profile azimuth:	305° (mag.)			

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MAGNETIC MODELLING

LINE 1000E

Fig. 13.