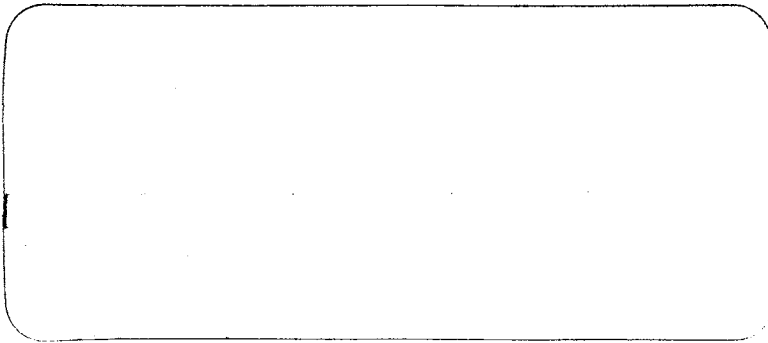


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1.0 INTRODUCTION

BHP Minerals Canada Ltd. (BHP) are evaluating the feasibility of developing an underground gold mine at Spyder Lake, on the east side of Bathurst Inlet in the Northwest Territories. The site known as the Boston Gold Project, is located approximately 670 km northeast of Yellowknife and 170 km southwest of Cambridge Bay. The geological setting is the Hope Bay greenstone belt which lies to the east of Bathurst Inlet within the Buchan Upland. The site is characterized by moderate to low relief, and vegetation typical of high arctic tundra and continuous permafrost. The site is accessible only by aircraft.

EBA Engineering Consultants Limited (EBA) was retained by Rescan Environmental Services Ltd. to conduct a preliminary geotechnical investigation of the project area. The objective was to collect sufficient geotechnical and permafrost data to characterize the local soils and permafrost conditions. The data is required to assess terrain sensitivity to construction-related impacts for purposes of environmental impact assessment. The secondary purpose is to provide engineering data for a mine plan feasibility study. That study will include preliminary layout and design of support infrastructure.

The project was carried out in two phases, the first phase included drilling and logging seven geotechnical boreholes and installation of thermistor cables to measure ground temperature. The second phase included interpretation of terrain and permafrost conditions from low level stereo airphotos that were obtained in July, 1996.

This report presents the findings of a site investigation conducted by EBA between May 10 and May 24, 1996 and the subsequent terrain analysis.

2.0 GENERAL SITE CHARACTERIZATION

2.1 CLIMATE AND PERMAFROST

The closest meteorological weather stations to the Boston Gold site are Contwoyto Lake approximately 280 km southwest of site, and Cambridge Bay approximately 170 km northeast of site. The mean annual air temperature for Contwoyto Lake, based on Environment Canada weather records maintained until 1981, is -11.8°C. The mean annual air temperature for Cambridge Bay, based on Environment Canada weather

records from 1929 to 1990 is -14.9°C . An approximate mean annual air temperature of -13.6°C has been estimated for the Boston Gold site, based on interpolations (proportional to latitude) between the two weather station locations.

The Boston Gold site is situated well within the zone of continuous permafrost. Surficial features typical of permafrost terrain such as frost-mounds, frost-shattered bedrock, sorted circles, mud boils, block fields, and ice wedge polygons are common in the area. Additional details on permafrost conditions are provided in Section 4.0 Geotechnical Conditions.

2.2 REGIONAL QUATERNARY GEOLOGY

The region has been subjected to multiple glaciations during the Quaternary period. During each glaciation, the area was overridden by the northwestern sector of the vast Laurentide Ice Sheet. Clear evidence of only the most recent (Late Wisconsin) glaciation is preserved in the present-day landscape. Striations, orientation of eskers, grooves and drumlins indicate that the predominate glacial ice movement was north-northwest. Ice movement directions determined by Ryder (1992) range from northwest to north.

The project area became ice-free about 8800 years ago as the southwest to northeast trending ice sheet melted back toward the southeast (Dyke and Prest, 1986) leaving a blanket of basal till as the ice retreated. Immediately following deglaciations, the sea level was about 200 m higher than at present (Dyke and Dredge, 1989). The entire project area was submerged and the edge of the ice sheet abutted the open sea. Meltwater streams from the ice carried fine grained sediments toward the sea, resulting in the accumulation of marine sediments on top of the till with the greatest accumulated thickness in the deeper water zones, which now form the valley bottoms.

Following glaciation, isostatic rebound caused a relative decline in sea level. During emergence, all parts of the land surface were washed by waves. Easily erodible surfaces such as marine sediments, till, and glaciofluvial sands and gravels, were reworked and redistributed by waves, currents and sea ice. Some present day rock outcrops were exposed as the thin soil washed off the uplands and accumulated in the valley bottoms.

Since emergence, the effects of natural slope processes, frost action, and permafrost have applied the finishing touches to the present day landscape.

Several lineaments having north-northwest to south-southeast orientations are evident on the air photos south of the proposed mine site (between Spyder Lake and Stickleback Lake, and south of Stickleback Lake). The lineaments include lines of elongated, interconnected depressions infilled mainly with till, and are typically adjacent to bedrock outcrops. These features are probably associated with faults and fracture zones developed within the Hope Bay greenstone belt.

2.3 TERRAIN ANALYSIS

The area has a low to moderate surface relief with not more than 50 m of differential elevation between low and high points. The surficial deposits that overlie the bedrock consist of glacial till, marine sediments, glaciofluvial deposits, lacustrine deposits, and alluvial deposits.

A map of surficial geology and permafrost features, included as Figure 1, was prepared by interpretation of stereo airphotos at a scale of 1:10,000. The airphoto coverage was obtained specifically for the project in July, 1996. A mosaic of the airphoto coverage is shown in Figure 2. Detailed geotechnical data obtained at seven sites, representative of the various terrain units, was used to "ground-truth" the map in Figure 1.

The following surficial geology units have been identified within the area and are shown on the attached terrain map, Figure 1.

Alluvial Deposits (A)

Alluvial deposits are interpreted within floodplains and low river terraces. Generally, they are sands and gravels that may contain lenses and layers of organic material. In some locations, the alluvial deposits are covered by well developed surface vegetation and some peat.

Lacustrine Deposits (L and Lr)

Lacustrine (lakebed) deposits are typically silt and sand with a few lenses of organic detritus, and underlie lacustrine plains and gentle slopes. They mainly occur adjacent to the vicinity of present lakes as they are lake bed soils that have become exposed as the lakes in the region shrink in size.

Within the area, the lacustrine deposits can be divided into two types: recent (Holocene age) lacustrine deposits (Lr) and lacustrine deposits of Holocene-Pleistocene age (L). The former are clearly identified and are composed of fine-grained soils. The latter are not as easily interpreted, therefore, the boundary between L and other types of deposits is less precise.

Marine Deposits (M)

Deposits covering marine plains and terraces consist typically of silts and clays with traces of sand. Shells are present in the sediments (Borehole 12259-06; EBA's 1996 geotechnical drilling program). The marine deposits are characterized by high ice content. The presence of earth hummocks on the surface is indicative of the marine plains, and it has been used as an indicator when interpreting the airphotos. Large ice-wedge polygons occur in poorly drained areas of the marine plains and are shown on the map, Figure 1.

In the southwestern portion of the mapped area, the marine deposits compose two well-defined terraces: 1st marine terrace (M_1) and 2nd marine terrace (M_2). The second marine terrace lies at the highest elevation and is believed to be composed of the oldest sediments, with the maximum amount of reworking by erosion and cryogenic geomorphic processes.

Within the rest of the mapped area, the marine sediments have not been separated into terraces due to the lack of geomorphic indicators and insufficient borehole data, and they are shown as "M" symbol on the terrain map (Figure 1).

Glaciofluvial Deposits (Gf and bGf)

Two types of glaciofluvial deposits are interpreted within the site area: glaciofluvial deposits (Gf) and bouldery glaciofluvial deposits (bGf). Gf are identified mainly as eskers and isolated patches of sand and gravel. The eskers are less than 3 m high and about 10-12 m wide. The glaciofluvial material is typically coarse sand with some gravel.

Areas identified as bGf are boulder lags and cobbly bouldery gravels. They occur in areas where significant thickness of the finer grained till matrix soils have been removed by meltwater, leaving behind the larger cobbles and boulders on the surface.

Till Deposits (Gt)

Till is wide spread in the Spyder Lake area and typically consists of a sand matrix with variable amounts of silt, gravel, cobbles and boulders, and occasionally some clay. It was noted in EBA's Preliminary Engineering Study Report (1993), that surface exposures of till appear to be related to elevation. Interpretation of the recent airphotos support that observation. Below about 80 m elevation, there are few till deposits. Between 80 m and 110 m, the till exposed at surface is commonly observed on the flanks of bedrock outcrops where it is relatively thin (about 1.0 m thick) and infills depressions in the rock.

The thickest till deposit (7 m) was encountered at Borehole 12259-06. The till consists of some gravel, silt and isolated cobbles. The matrix is very fine sand, clasts are coarse sand and fine gravel with some coarse gravel, cobbles and boulders up to 250 mm in diameter. The till is overlain by a 5 m thick marine deposit, which in turn is covered by a glaciofluvial deposit (esker).

In locations where till is thin frost jacked bedrock blocks are common. Scattered boulders resulting from frost jacking and erratics are observed at the surface of the till cover within most of the area.

Bedrock (R)

Glacial meltwater has completely stripped bedrock of its till cover over large areas. The bedrock outcrops are easily interpreted and are shown on the map, Figure 1. Bedrock typically consists of highly altered and foliated grey basalts, that are fractured and frost-shattered at the surface.

3.0 INVESTIGATION PROGRAM

3.1 GENERAL

The geotechnical investigation program was carried out between May 10 and May 24, 1996 and consisted of drilling seven boreholes to various depths. The borehole locations were chosen to ensure reasonable coverage of the dominate terrain units (rock uplands, marine lowlands, till ridges, and lake bottom sediments). A thermistor cable and automatic data logger was installed in three of the seven boreholes.

3.2 BOREHOLE LOCATIONS

Six of the boreholes were drilled on land and one borehole was advanced from the ice surface of Stickleback Lake. Borehole locations, surface elevations and completion depths of each borehole are included in Table 1.

TABLE 1
BOREHOLE LOCATION SUMMARY

Borehole Number	UTM Coordinates		Surface Elevation (m)	Completion Depth (m)
	Northing (m)	Easting (m)		
12259-01	North Bay of Stickleback Lake			10.9 (below lake bottom)
12259-02	7504141	441213	71.7	4.1
12259-03	7504380	441113	77.6	16.1
12259-04	7504916	442236	73.9	13.9
12259-05	7504778	441172	80.5	15.6
12259-06	7505683	441327	69.7	15.8
12259-07	Not located	-		8.4

NOTE: Borehole coordinates determined by BHP survey crew relative to "mine grid" and converted to North American 1983 datum (NAD83) by Sub-Arctic Surveys Ltd., Yellowknife. Borehole No. 1 and 7 were not accurately located.

3.3 DRILLING AND SAMPLING

The boreholes were drilled using a Boyles Brothers BBS-25A diamond drill that was contracted from Connors Drilling Ltd. of Kamloops, B.C. Five of the boreholes were accessed using a skid-mounted set up and the remaining two holes required helicopter moves.

All six land-based holes were drilled using cold brine as the circulating fluid to preserve permafrost core. The brine was prepared by mixing a predetermined volume of calcium chloride pellets with fresh lakewater and snow. The snow was used to lower the temperature of the drill fluid to -2°C or colder to provide good quality frozen soil cores. Frozen core and bedrock samples were recovered with either an NQ (47 mm diameter) or HQ (63 mm diameter) wireline core barrel using conventional diamond drilling techniques. Core recovery in the permafrost was excellent at over 95%. Soft (unfrozen)

sediments from the lake bottom of Stickleback Lake were recovered using a conventional split spoon. The split spoon was advanced hydraulically using the head of the diamond drill.

All recovered core was examined and logged in the field. Soil and ground ice classification and rock index parameters were determined immediately after the core was retrieved. Rock core samples were placed in wooden core boxes and photographed. Rock core index properties measured in the field included recovery, fracture frequency, and Rock Quality Designation (RQD). Frozen soil core was photographed and selected samples were placed in plastic bags for subsequent testing.

All laboratory testing was conducted in accordance with CSA procedures and specifications. Laboratory tests included the following:

- natural moisture content,
- Atterberg Limits,
- particle size distribution analysis, and
- porewater salinity determinations.

Borehole logs are included in Appendix A. The borehole logs contain geotechnical soil and rock description, including structural characteristics of the recovered rock core, descriptions of the ground ice, and laboratory test results. Appendix B provides a tabulated summary of all laboratory test data and the results of grain size analysis on selected overburden samples.

3.4 GROUND TEMPERATURE INSTRUMENTATION

Three thermistor cables were installed at three separate locations in order to monitor ground temperatures. The thermistor cables are of standard EBA design with ten sensing beads spaced over a total length of 15 m. One cable was installed in Borehole 12259-03 (May 17, 1996), which is located just west of the north bay of Stickleback Lake. A second cable was installed in Borehole 12259-05 (May 19, 1996) which is located on the rock upland between Stickleback Lake and the exploration camp site. The third thermistor cable was installed in Borehole 12259-06 (May 23, 1996) which is located immediately northwest of the camp on a low lying sand and gravel bar that protrudes into Spyder Lake. All three thermistor cables were connected to automated data loggers which are programmed to record ground temperature information twice daily.

Ground temperature readings from all three cables were taken upon completion of the field program. The data loggers were accessed again in June and the data retrieved. Continuous data will be available throughout the winter 1996-97 to supplement data included in this report. Ground temperature data collected to date are included in Appendix C.

4.0 GEOTECHNICAL CONDITIONS

4.1 GENERAL

The following provides a general description of the engineering characteristics of the rock/soils identified at the borehole locations. A detailed log of each borehole is included in Appendix A and a summary of laboratory test data is included in Appendix B. Ground temperature data obtained from the dataloggers for the period May to June, 1996 is included in Appendix C. Selected data has been plotted to show ground temperature with depth in the upper 15 m of the soil/rock profile.

4.2 BEDROCK

The bedrock encountered by the site investigation is a highly altered basalt that is medium grey in color with variable greenish tints and highlights. Quartz stringers are common. The basalt is highly foliated in a near vertical to vertical direction and is relatively weak igneous rock. Core recovery was generally 100%. The rock quality designation (RQD) and fracture frequency were often difficult to ascertain due to the nature of the rock. Recovered core was typically fractured, but most fractures were observed to be along its natural foliations and appear to be drill induced. The occasional horizontal fracture with iron oxide staining was encountered. Notwithstanding the highly fractured core recovery, the RQD was typically around 60%, but ranged from 0 to 90%. The fracture frequency varied from 1 to greater than 15 per metre.

4.3 OVERBURDEN SOILS

The boreholes were positioned to provide geotechnical data for the two principal soil landforms at the site: marine silt and clay and morainal till. These have been related to the interpreted surficial geology in Figure 1. A brief summary of the engineering characteristics of the major soil types follows:

Marine Soils

Marine soils that cover the bedrock in all lowlying areas are silt and clay of low plasticity. They have a well developed cover of surface vegetation. The thickness of marine silt and clay is highly variable, reflecting significant undulations in the underlying bedrock (or till) surface. The thickness varied from 1.5 m to 8 m at the three boreholes drilled in this unit.

The boreholes were drilled at a time when the entire soil profile was frozen, however, accumulations of ground ice at a depth of 0.3 to 0.4 m indicate that this is the probable range in the thickness of the active layer (depth of seasonal thaw). The active layer will be somewhat deeper in upland regions where bedrock is exposed. Ground ice within the permafrost soil of marine origin is high, typically ranging from 20 to greater than 50% by volume of the soil.

All marine soils that were tested for salt within the pore ice had significant concentration. The salinities within the permafrost vary from 3 to 48 ppt, which is slightly greater than seawater (32 ppt). The salinity of the marine soils is less near the ground surface where salts have been leached out by moisture migration within the active layer and upper permafrost.

Till

Till core was obtained in the upper 2 m at Borehole No. 5 and below marine soils at Borehole No. 6. The till has a sand matrix with a trace of silt and clay. Cobbles and boulders are disseminated throughout. Till near the surface has a low to moderate ice content as ice inclusions V_x/V_r rather than the thick lenses common in the marine soils. Till at depth has low ground ice content and is quite dense.

4.4 GROUND TEMPERATURE

The ground temperature data collected for late May and June, 1996 is included in Appendix C. Cold continuous permafrost is present everywhere except below lakes of substantial size and depth. Large lakes, such as Spyder Lake, are expected to be windows through the permafrost whereas smaller lakes and ponds may have permafrost at depth below an unfrozen lakebed. The permafrost boundary at the lake shore will characteristically be near a water depth of 2 m, where lake ice no longer freezes to the bottom. The temperature of the lakebed measured at Stickleback Lake was to 0.7°C.

The lakebed soils at that location (BH No. 1) are unfrozen beyond the maximum depth of borehole penetration, 11 m.

The ground temperature below the depth of seasonal variations ranges from -8°C to -11°C . The depth to which seasonal temperatures vary is approximately 10 m. There is insufficient ground temperature data to judge the precise thickness of the active layer but it is anticipated to be about 0.4 m. A full year of ground temperature data will be available from the dataloggers when they are retrieved in the spring, 1997.

5.0 TERRAIN SENSITIVITY TO CONSTRUCTION

The marine lowlands that are widespread at the site are the most sensitive to disturbance by site development. The well developed surficial organic layer, high ground ice contents and permafrost features such as ice wedges make this terrain unit particularly sensitive to disturbance. Where the site development such as roads and/or an airstrip encroaches on this unit, thicker than normal fills may be required to reduce the risk of thaw and construction should be restricted to the winter (frozen tundra) season.

The construction plans should be developed to ensure that there is no disturbance to the surface vegetation before fill is placed and there is no traffic on the unfrozen surface. Where structure foundations, such as piles are required within the marine soil unit, they must be designed for a high salinity permafrost environment. This will reduce their normal capacity to about 50% of the values used for adfreeze piles in non-saline conditions.


Facilities that are located within the bedrock and till terrain units will be much less susceptible to construction-related disturbance of the permafrost. The basalt bedrock will make an acceptable foundation unit for footings or rock socketed piles. Additional site-specific data will be required to develop foundation design parameters for final design purposes.

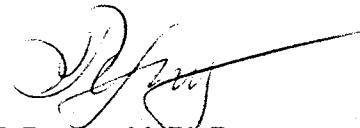
6.0 CLOSURE

The data presented in this report is based on a preliminary geotechnical investigation, with the objective of collecting sufficient geotechnical and permafrost data to characterize the local soils and ground ice conditions. The information contained in this report is based on the best available data at the time of preparation.

Respectfully submitted,
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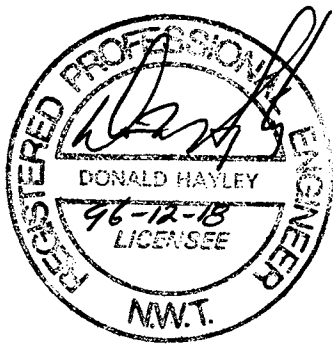


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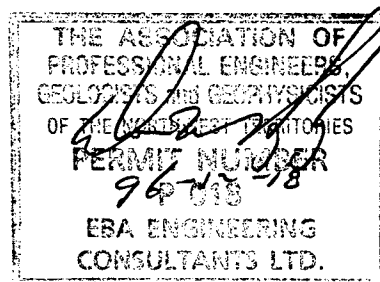
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FIGURES

LEGEND

QUATERNARY SEDIMENTS

POSTGLACIAL

- A** - alluvial deposits: generally sand and gravel
- A₁** - alluvial deposits of 1st alluvial terrace
- A₂** - alluvial deposits of 2nd alluvial terrace
- A₃** - alluvial deposits of 3rd alluvial terrace
- L** - lacustrine deposits: mainly silt and sand
- L_r** - recent lacustrine sediments: silt and fine sand
- M** - marine deposits: silty clay with trace of sand
- M₁** - marine deposits of 1st marine terrace
- M₂** - marine deposits of 2nd marine terrace

GLACIAL

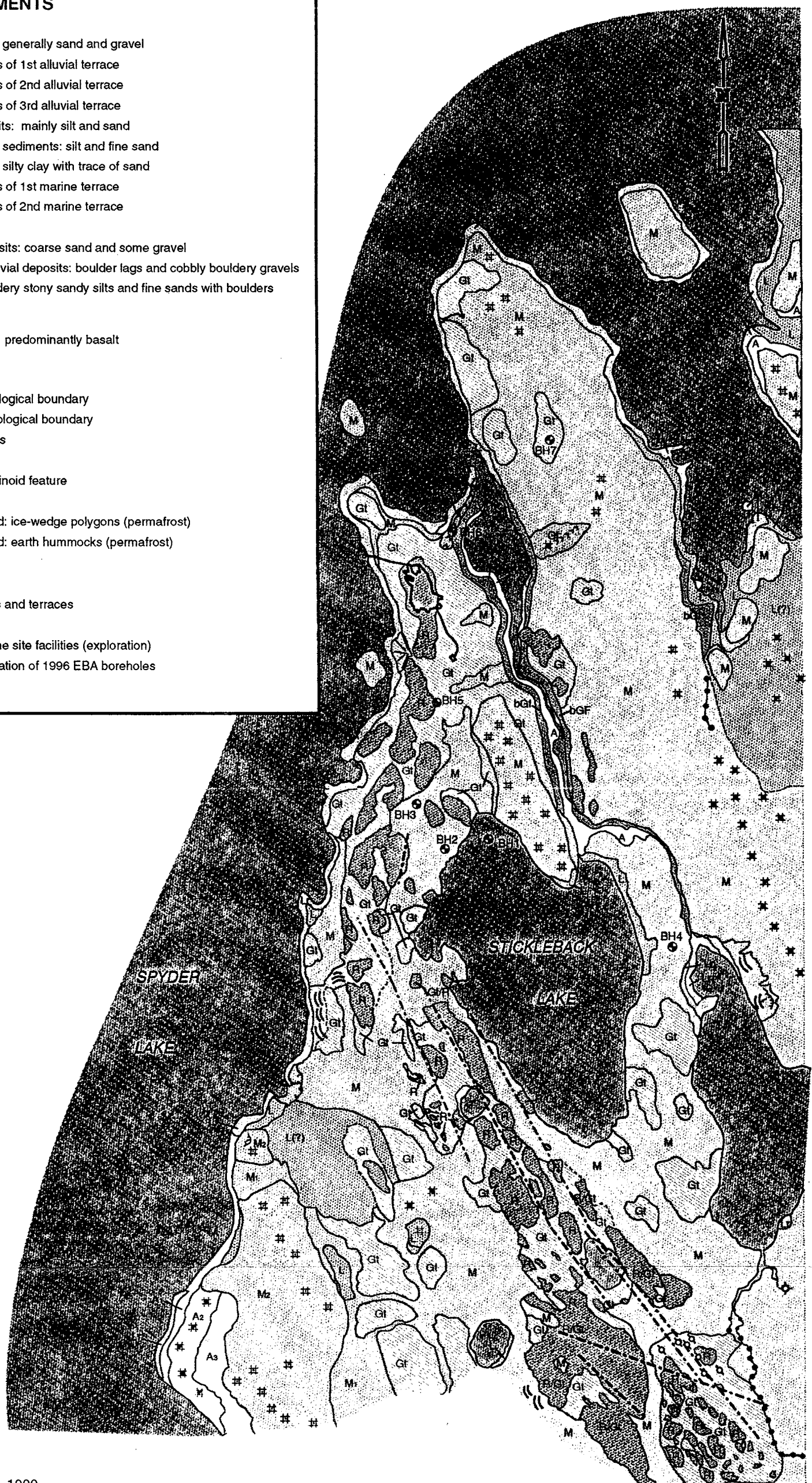
- Gf** - glaciofluvial deposits: coarse sand and some gravel
- bGf** - bouldery glaciofluvial deposits: boulder lags and cobbly bouldery gravels
- Gt** - till deposits: bouldery stony sandy silts and fine sands with boulders

PRE-QUATERNARY

- R** - bedrock outcrop: predominantly basalt

SYMBOLS

- - well defined geological boundary
- - - - - conventional geological boundary
- . - . - lineaments: faults
- > > > - esker
- o o - drumlin or drumlinoid feature
- △ - talus fan
- * - patterned ground: ice-wedge polygons (permafrost)
- # - patterned ground: earth hummocks (permafrost)
- ◇ - frost mound
- ∩ - thaw slump
- 〰 - solifluction lobes and terraces
- - - - - beaded stream
- - Boston Gold Mine site facilities (exploration)
- - approximate location of 1996 EBA boreholes



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NOTE: Interpretation of black and white airphotos (1:10 000, July 1996)

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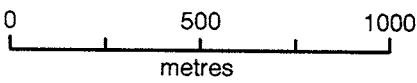
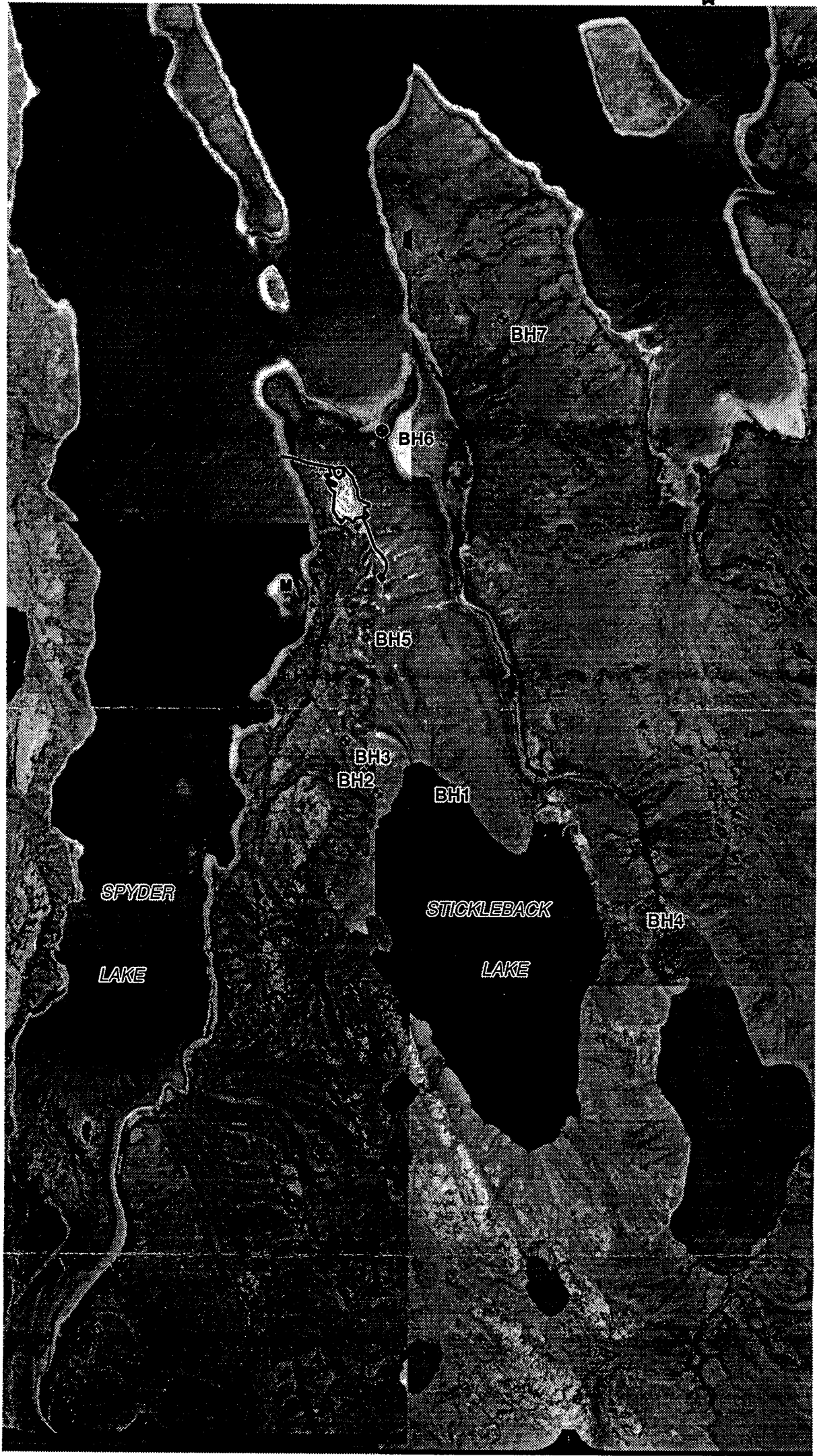
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FIGURE 1



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APPENDIX A
BOREHOLE LOGS

**GEOTECHNICAL REPORT
GENERAL CONDITIONS**

A.1 USE OF REPORT AND OWNERSHIP

This geotechnical report pertains to a specific site and development. It is not applicable to adjacent sites nor is it valid for types of development other than that to which it refers. Any variation from the site, or development, necessitates a geotechnical review in order to determine the validity of the design concepts evolved herein.

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**A.2 NATURE AND EXACTNESS OF
SOIL DESCRIPTION**

Classification and identification of soils are based upon commonly accepted methods employed in professional geotechnical practice. This report contains descriptions of the systems and methods used. Where deviations from the system prevail, they are specifically mentioned.

Classification and identification of soil and geologic units are judgmental in nature as to both type and condition. EBA does not warrant conditions represented herein as exact, but infers accuracy only to the extent that is common in practice.

A.3 LOGS OF BORINGS

The boring logs are a compilation of conditions and classification of soils as obtained from field observations and laboratory testing of selected samples. Soil zones have been interpreted. Change from one geologic zone to the other, indicated on the logs as a distinct line, is in fact, transitional. The extent of transition is interpretive. Any circumstance which requires precise definition of soil zone transition elevations may require special evaluation.

**A.4 STRATIGRAPHIC AND
GEOLOGIC SECTIONS**

The stratigraphic and geologic sections indicated on drawings contained in this report are evolved from logs of borings. Stratigraphy is known precisely only at the locations of the borings. Actual geology and stratigraphy between borings may vary from that shown on these drawings. Natural variations in geologic conditions are inherent and a function of historic environment. EBA does not represent the conditions illustrated as exact but recognizes that variations will exist. Where knowledge of exact locations of geologic units is necessary, it is cautioned that such determination requires special attention.

A.5 GROUNDWATER CONDITIONS

Groundwater conditions represented in this report refer only to those observed at the times recorded on logs of borings, and/or within the text of this report. These conditions vary with geologic detail between borings; annual, seasonal and special meteorologic conditions; and with construction activity. Where instruments have been established to record groundwater variations on an ongoing basis, the records will be specifically referred to. Interpretation of groundwater conditions from observations and records is judgmental and constitutes an evaluation of circumstances as influenced by geology, meteorology and construction activity. Deviations from these observations, may occur. No other warranty, express, or implied, is made by EBA.

A.6 PROTECTION OF EXPOSED GROUND

Excavation and construction operations expose geologic materials to meteorological elements. Many geologic materials deteriorate rapidly upon exposure to climatic elements. Severe deterioration of materials may be caused by precipitation and/or the action of frost on exposures. Unless otherwise specifically indicated in this report, walls and floors of excavations must be protected from elements, particularly all forms of moisture, desiccation from arid conditions and frost action.

SYSTEM INTERNATIONAL UNITS

QUANTITY	NAME	SYMBOL	EXPRESSED IN TERMS OF OTHER SI UNITS	EXPRESSED IN TERMS OF BASE AND SUPPLEMENTARY UNITS
SI UNITS				
length	metre	m		
mass	kilogram	kg		
time	second	s		
electric current	ampere	A		
thermodynamic temperature	kelvin	K		
amount of substance	mole	mol		
luminous intensity	candela	cd		
SI SUPPLEMENTARY UNITS				
plane angle	radian	rad		
solid angle	steradian	sr		
EXAMPLES OF SI DERIVED UNITS WITH SPECIAL NAMES				
frequency	hertz	Hz	1/s	s ⁻¹
force	newton	N	m · kg/s ²	m · kg · s ⁻²
pressure, stress	pascal	Pa	N/m ²	m ⁻¹ · kg · s ⁻²
energy, work, quantity of heat	joule	J	N · m	m ² · kg · s ⁻²
power, radiant flux	watt	W	J/s	m ² · kg · s ⁻³
EXAMPLES OF SI DERIVED UNITS WITHOUT SPECIAL NAMES				
velocity - linear	metre per second		m/s	m · s ⁻¹
- angular	(radian per second)		rad/s	rad · s ⁻¹
acceleration - linear	(metre per second) per second		m/s ²	m · s ⁻²
- angular	(radian per second) per second		rad/s ²	rad · s ⁻²
concentration (of amount of substance)	mole per cubic metre		mol/m ³	mol · m ⁻³
dynamic viscosity	pascal second		Pa · s	m ⁻¹ · kg · s ⁻¹
moment of force	newton metre		N · m	m ² · kg · s ⁻²
surface tension	newton per metre		N/m	kg · s ⁻²
heat flux density, irradiance	watt per square metre		W/m ²	kg · s ⁻³
heat capacity, entropy	joule per kelvin		J/K	m ² · s ⁻² · K ⁻¹
specific heat capacity, specific entropy	joule per kilogram kelvin		J/(kg · K)	m ² · s ⁻² · K ⁻¹
specific energy	joule per kilogram		J/kg	m ² · s ⁻²
thermal conductivity	watt per metre kelvin		W/(m · K)	m · kg · s ⁻³ · K ⁻¹

OTHER UNITS PERMITTED FOR USE WITH SI

QUANTITY	NAME	SYMBOL	DEFINITION
time	minute	min	1 min = 60 s
	hour	h	1 h = 3,600 s
	day	d	1 d = 86,400 s
	year	a	
plane angle	degree	°	1° = (°/180) rad
	minute	'	1' = (°/10,800) rad
	second	"	1" = (°/648,000) rad
	hectare	ha	1 ha = 10,000 m ²
area	hectare	ha	
volume	litre	L	1,000 L = 1 m ³
temperature	degree Celsius	°C	0° C = 273.15° K
			temperature interval 1°C = 1 K
mass	tonne	t	1 t = 1,000 kg = 1 Mg

MULTIPLYING FACTOR	PREFIX	SYMBOL	MULTIPLYING FACTOR	PREFIX	SYMBOL
1,000,000,000,000,000,000 = 10 ¹⁸	exa	E	0.1 = 10 ⁻¹	deci*	d
1,000,000,000,000,000 = 10 ¹⁵	peta	P	0.01 = 10 ⁻²	centi*	c
1,000,000,000,000 = 10 ¹²	tetra	T	0.001 = 10 ⁻³	milli	m
1,000,000,000 = 10 ⁹	giga	G	0.000,001 = 10 ⁻⁶	micro	μ
1,000,000 = 10 ⁶	mega	M	0.000,000,001 = 10 ⁻⁹	nano	n
1,000 = 10 ³	kilo	k	0.000,000,000,001 = 10 ⁻¹²	pico	p
100 = 10 ²	hecto*	h	0.000,000,000,000,001 = 10 ⁻¹⁵	femto	f
10 = 10 ¹	deca*	da	0.000,000,000,000,000,001 = 10 ⁻¹⁸	atto	a

* to be avoided where possible

UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION†

MAJOR DIVISIONS		GROUP SYMBOLS	TYPICAL NAMES	CLASSIFICATION CRITERIA	
COARSE-GRAINED SOILS More than 50% retained on No. 200 sieve*	GRAVELS 50% or more of coarse fraction retained on No. 4 sieve	CLEAN GRAVELS	GW	Well-graded gravels and gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines	$C_u = D_{60}/D_{10}$ Greater than 4 $C_c = \frac{(D_{30})^2}{D_{10} \times D_{60}}$ Between 1 and 3 Not meeting both criteria for GW Atterberg limits plot below 'A' line or plasticity index less than 4 Atterberg limits plot above 'A' line and plasticity index greater than 7
			GP	Poorly-graded gravels and gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines	
		GRAVELS WITH FINES	GM	Silty gravels, gravel-sand-silt mixtures	
			GC	Clayey gravels, gravel-sand clay mixtures	
	SANDS More than 50% of coarse fraction passes No. 4 sieve	CLEAN SANDS	SW	Well-graded sands and gravelly sands, little or no fines	$C_u = D_{60}/D_{10}$ Greater than 6 $C_c = \frac{(D_{30})^2}{D_{10} \times D_{60}}$ Between 1 and 3 Not meeting both criteria for SW Atterberg limits plot below 'A' line or plasticity index less than 4 Atterberg limits plot above 'A' line and plasticity index greater than 7
			SP	Poorly-graded sands and gravelly sands, little or no fines	
		SANDS WITH FINES	SM	Silty sands, sand-silt mixtures	
			SC	Clayey sands, sand-clay mixtures	
FINE-GRAINED SOILS 50% or more passes No. 200 sieve*	SILTS AND CLAYS Liquid limit 50% or less		ML	Inorganic silts, very fine sands, rock flour, silty or clayey fine sands	PLASTICITY CHART For classification of fine-grained soils and fine fraction of coarse-grained soils Atterberg limits plotting in hatched area are borderline classifications requiring use of dual symbols Equation of 'A' line: $PI = 0.73(LL - 20)$
			CL	Inorganic clays of low to medium plasticity, gravelly clays, sandy clays, silty clays, lean clays	
			OL	Organic silts and organic silty clays of low plasticity	
	SILTS AND CLAYS Liquid limit greater than 50%		MH	Inorganic silts, micaceous or diatomaceous fine sands or silts, elastic silts	
			CH	Inorganic clay of high plasticity, fat clays	
			OH	Organic clays of medium to high plasticity	
HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS		PT	Peat, muck and other highly organic soils		

*Based on the material passing the 3 in. (75 mm) sieve
 †ASTM Designation D 2487, for identification procedure see D 2488

GROUND ICE DESCRIPTION

ICE NOT VISIBLE

GROUP SYMBOLS	SYMBOLS	SUBGROUP DESCRIPTION	
N	Nf	Poorly-bonded or friable	
	Nbn	No excess ice, well-bonded	
	Nbe	Excess ice, well-bonded	

NOTE:

- Dual symbols are used to indicate borderline or mixed ice classifications
- Visual estimates of ice contents indicated on borehole logs $\pm 5\%$
- This system of ground ice description has been modified from NRC Technical Memo 79, Guide to the Field Description of Permafrost for Engineering Purposes

LEGEND

Soil Ice

VISIBLE ICE LESS THAN 50% BY VOLUME

GROUP SYMBOLS	SYMBOLS	SUBGROUP DESCRIPTION	
V	Vx	Individual ice crystals or inclusions	
	Vc	Ice coatings on particles	
	Vr	Random or irregularly oriented ice formations	
	Vs	Stratified or distinctly oriented ice formations	

VISIBLE ICE GREATER THAN 50% BY VOLUME

ICE	ICE + Soil Type	Ice with soil inclusions	
	ICE	Ice without soil inclusions (greater than 25 mm (1 in.) thick)	

ROCK DESCRIPTION TERMS USED ON BOREHOLE LOGS

ESTIMATED MECHANICAL STRENGTH

TERM	UNCONFINED COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH
Very Low Strength	1 to 4 MPa
Low Strength	4 to 15 MPa
Medium Strength	15 to 50 MPa
High Strength	50 to 200 MPa
Very High Strength	More than 200 MPa

NON-CARBONATE DETRITAL SEDIMENTARY ROCKS

Conglomerate or Breccia
Conglomerate or Breccia
Sandstone¹

FISSILE	NON-FISSILE
Silt Shale	Siltstone
Mud Shale	Mudstone
Clay Shale	Claystone

GRAIN SIZE

OTHER ROCKS

Very Coarse Grained
Coarse Grained
Medium Grained

GRAIN SIZE

More than 80 mm
4 to 80 mm
80 µm to 4 mm

Fine Grained
Fine Grained
Very Fine Grained

>2/3 silt-sized (2 to 80 µm)
silt and clay-sized (<80 µm)
>2/3 clay-sized (<2 µm)

¹Sandstone further subdivided where appropriate into fine, medium, coarse

DISCONTINUITY SPACING

BEDDING

Very thickly Bedded
Thickly Bedded
Medium Bedded
Thinly Bedded
Very Thinly Bedded
Laminated
Thinly Laminated
Fissile

OTHER DISCONTINUITIES

Very Widely Spaced
Widely Spaced
Moderately Widely Spaced
Closely Spaced
Very Closely Spaced
Extremely Closely Spaced
Extremely Closely Spaced
Extremely Closely Spaced

SPACING

More than 2 m
600 mm to 2 m
200 to 600 mm
60 to 200 mm
20 to 60 mm
6 to 20 mm
2 to 6 mm
Less than 2 mm

WEATHERED STATE

TERM

Fresh
Slightly Weathered
Moderately Weathered
Highly Weathered
Completely Weathered
Residual Soil

DEGREE

No visible signs of weathering
Weathering only on open discontinuity surfaces
Rock mass weathered but not friable
Rock mass weathered and partly friable
Wholly decomposed but texture and structure preserved
Original rock texture and structure destroyed

CORE RECOVERY

TERM

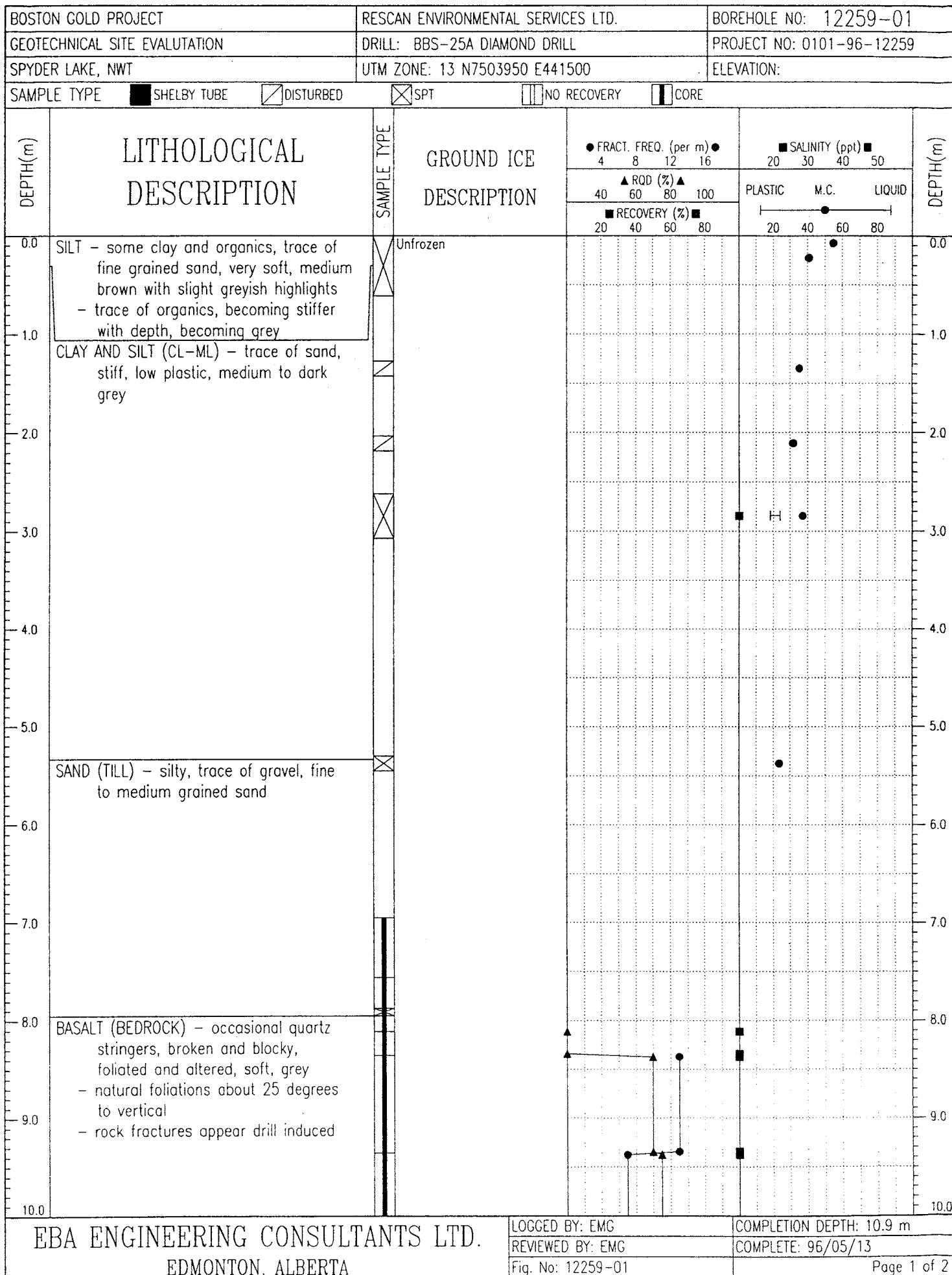
Total Core Recovery
Solid Recovery
Rock Quality Designation (RQD)
Fracture Index (FI)

DESCRIPTION

Total recovery expressed as a percentage of run length
Solid recovery expressed as a percentage of run length
Sum of lengths of solid core more than 100 mm long
expressed as a percentage of run length
Number of breaks per metre of solid core (FI's in excess
of 30 denoted as 30+)

ROCK QUALITY

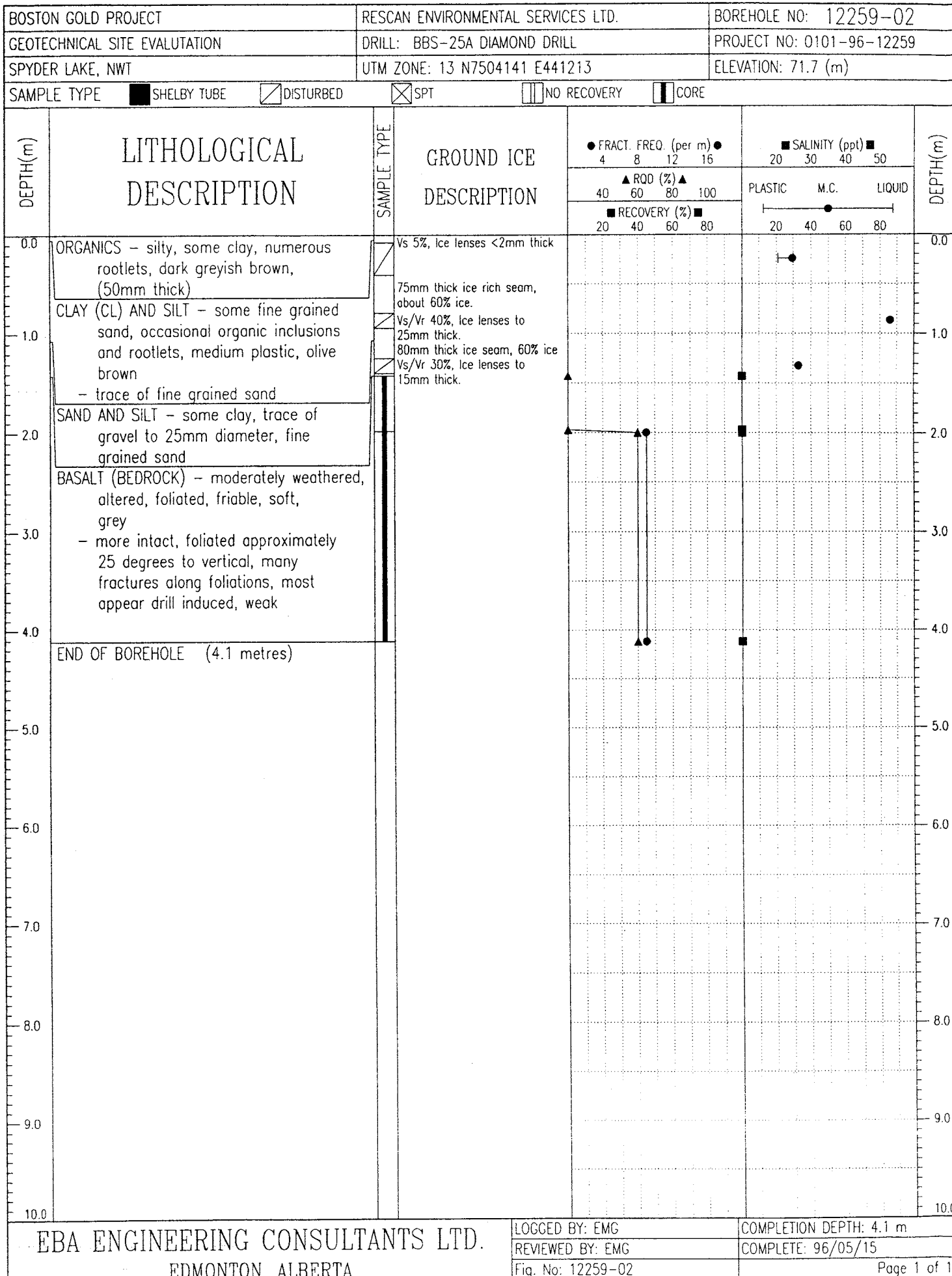
TERM	RQD
Very Poor Quality	0 to 25
Poor Quality	25 to 50
Fair Quality	50 to 75
Good Quality	75 to 90
Excellent Quality	90 to 100

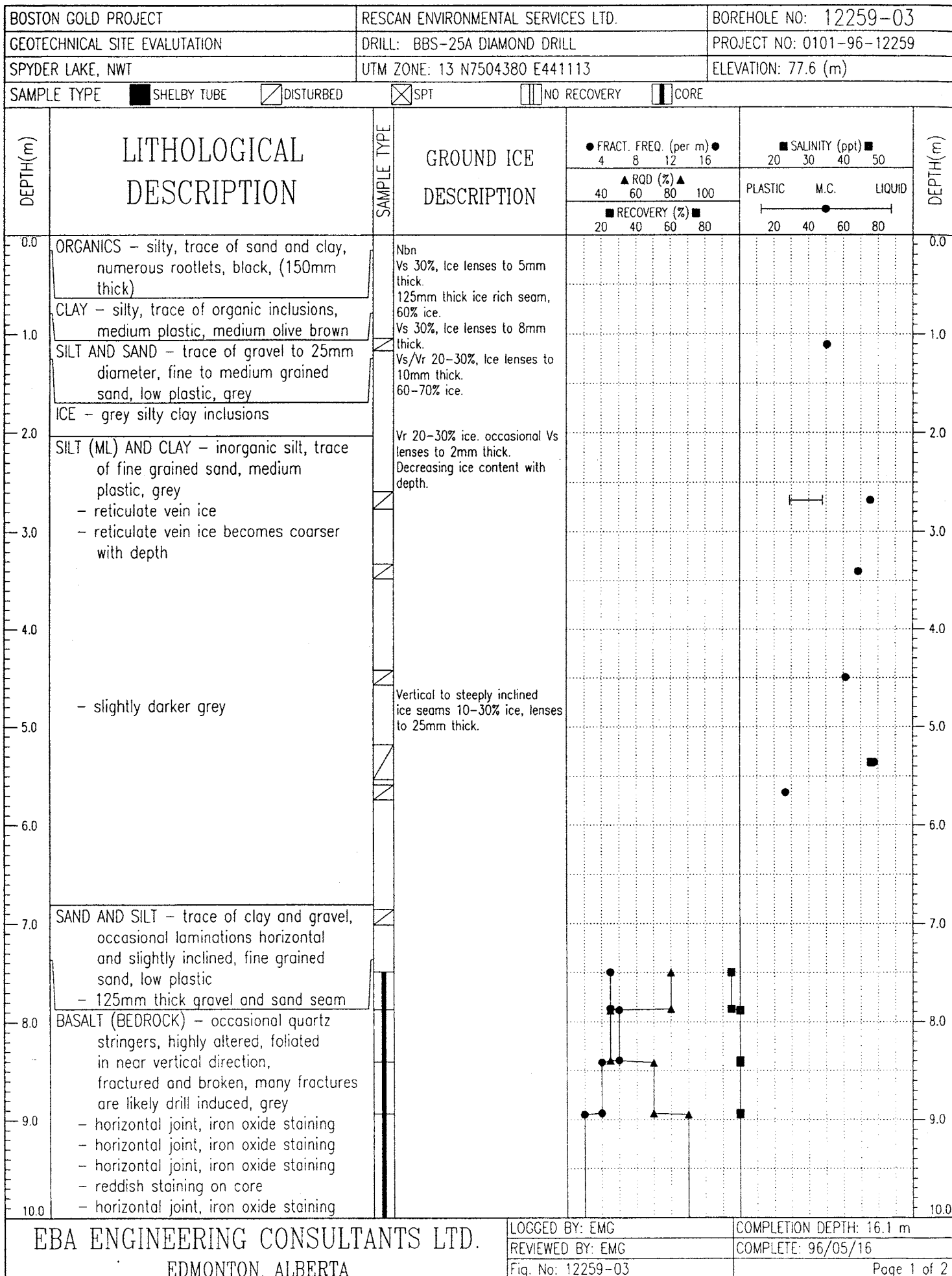


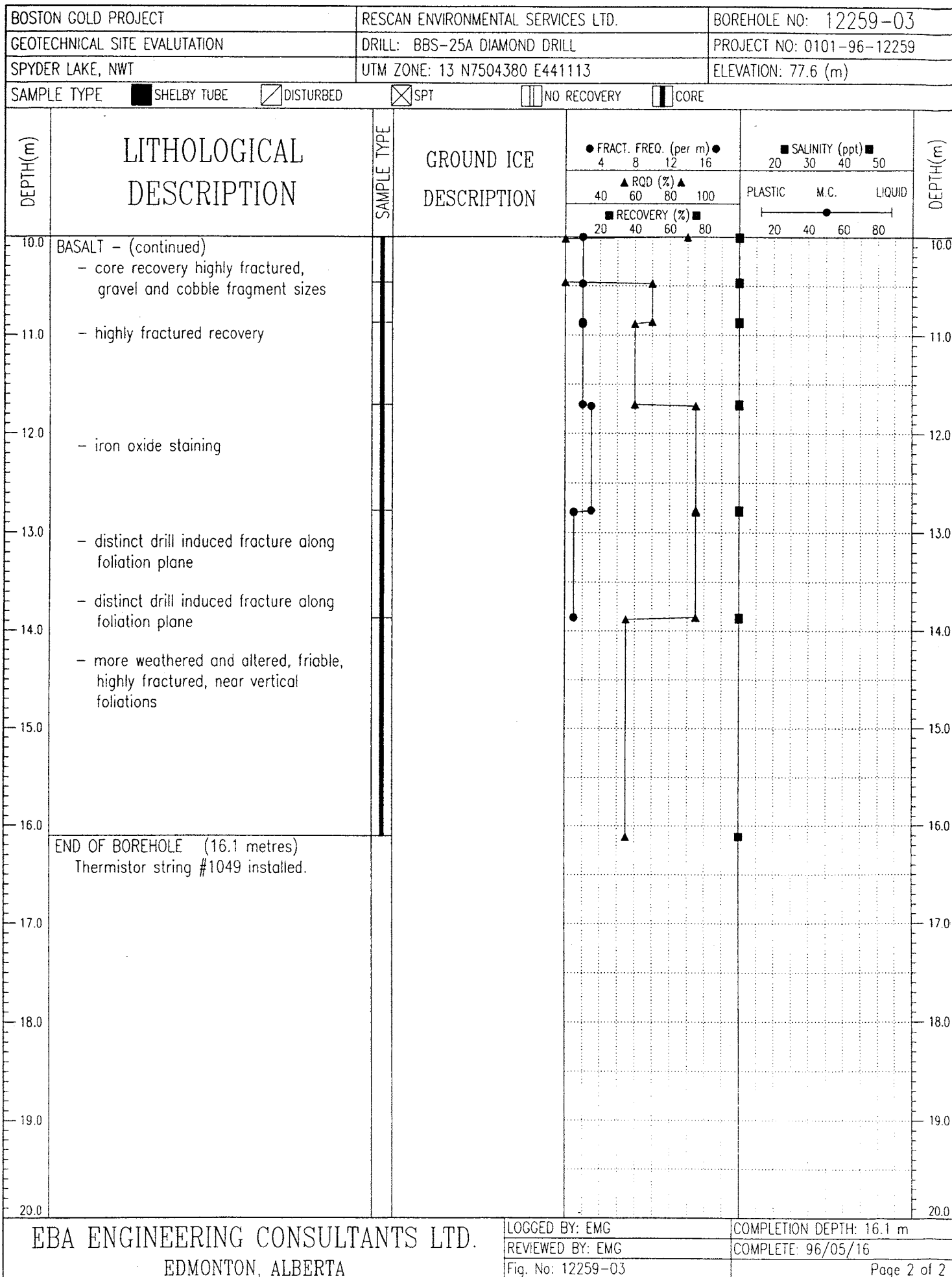
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SPYDER LAKE, NWT		UTM ZONE: 13 N7503950 E441500		ELEVATION:	
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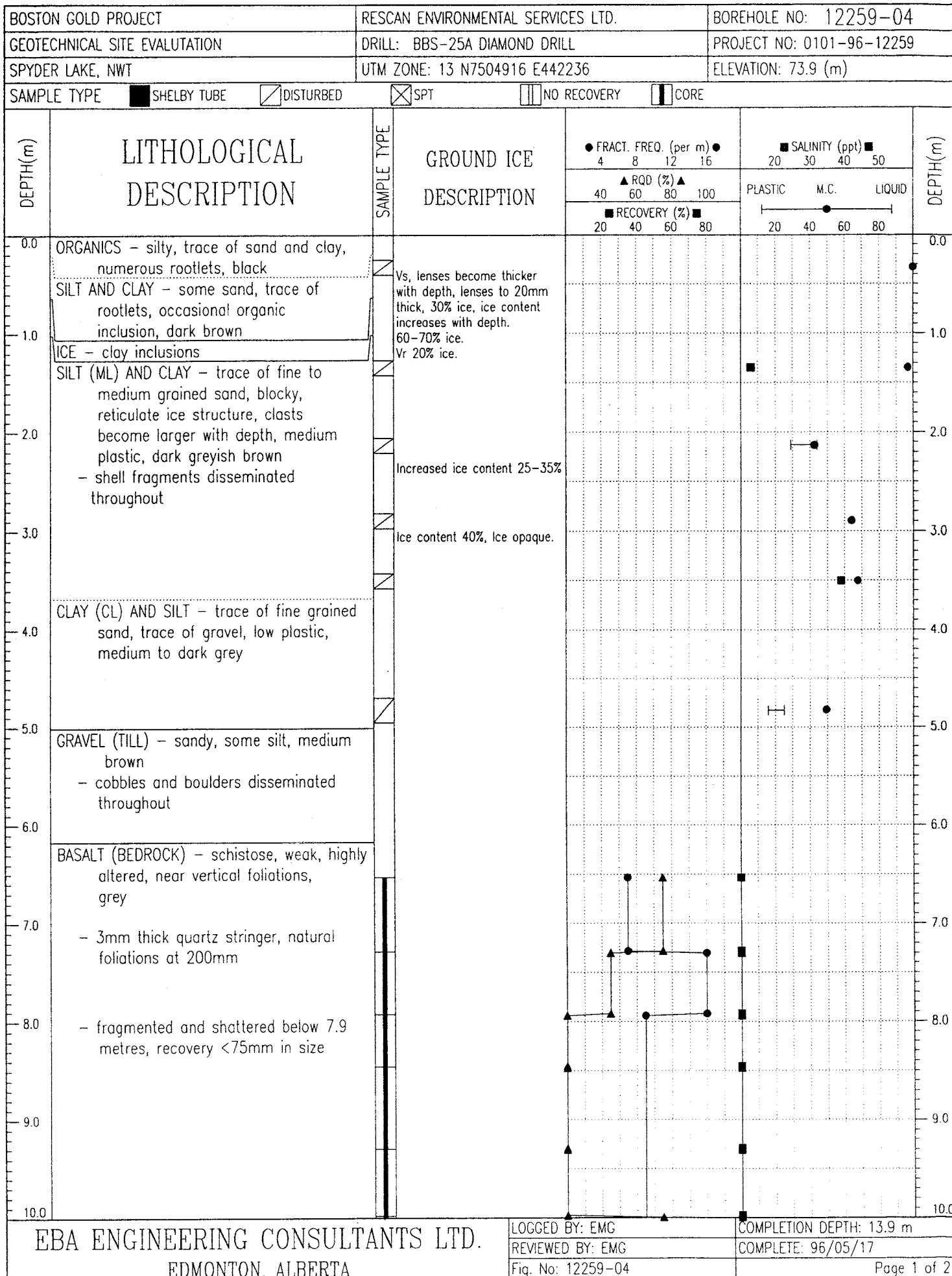
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10.0	BASALT - (continued)	<div style="border-left: 2px solid black; height: 100px; margin: 0 auto; width: 10px;"></div>		<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>● 4 8 12 16 ●</div> <div>▲ 40 60 80 100 ▲</div> <div>■ 20 40 60 80 ■</div> </div>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>20 30 40 50</div> <div>PLASTIC M.C. LIQUID</div> </div>	10.0
11.0	END OF BOREHOLE (10.9 metres) Single bead thermistor installed at lakebed. Initial ground temperature 0.7 degrees C. Borehole drilled from the ice surface of Stickleback Lake. Water Depth: 3.2 metres					11.0
12.0						12.0
13.0						13.0
14.0						14.0
15.0						15.0
16.0						16.0
17.0						17.0
18.0						18.0
19.0						19.0
20.0						20.0

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	REVIEWED BY: EMG	COMPLETE: 96/05/13
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BOSTON GOLD PROJECT		RESCAN ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES LTD.		BOREHOLE NO: 12259-04	
GEOTECHNICAL SITE EVALUATION		DRILL: BBS-25A DIAMOND DRILL		PROJECT NO: 0101-96-12259	
SPYDER LAKE, NWT		UTM ZONE: 13 N7504916 E442236		ELEVATION: 73.9 (m)	
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DEPTH(m)	LITHOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE TYPE	GROUND ICE DESCRIPTION	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> ● FRACT. FREQ. (per m) ● 4 8 12 16 ▲ RQD (%) ▲ 40 60 80 100 ■ RECOVERY (%) ■ 20 40 60 80 </div> <div> ■ SALINITY (ppt) ■ 20 30 40 50 PLASTIC M.C. LIQUID 20 40 60 80 </div> </div>		DEPTH(m)
10.0	BASALT - (continued)	<div style="border-left: 2px solid black; height: 100%;"></div>			10.0	
	- more intact, less broken					
11.0					11.0	
12.0					12.0	
	- bands of alteration more frequent					
13.0					13.0	
14.0	END OF BOREHOLE (13.9 metres)				14.0	
15.0					15.0	
16.0					16.0	
17.0					17.0	
18.0					18.0	
19.0					19.0	
20.0					20.0	

EBA ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS LTD. EDMONTON, ALBERTA		LOGGED BY: EMG	COMPLETION DEPTH: 13.9 m
		REVIEWED BY: EMG	COMPLETE: 96/05/17
		Fig. No: 12259-04	Page 2 of 2

BOSTON GOLD PROJECT		RESCAN ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES LTD.		BOREHOLE NO: 12259-05	
GEOTECHNICAL SITE EVALUTATION		DRILL: BBS-25A DIAMOND DRILL		PROJECT NO: 0101-96-12259	
SPYDER LAKE, NWT		UTM ZONE: 13 N7504778 E441172		ELEVATION: 80.5 (m)	
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DEPTH(m)	LITHOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE TYPE	GROUND ICE DESCRIPTION	<div>● FRACT. FREQ. (per m) ●</div> <div>4 8 12 16</div> <div>▲ RQD (%) ▲</div> <div>40 60 80 100</div> <div>■ RECOVERY (%) ■</div> <div>20 40 60 80</div>	<div>■ SALINITY (ppt) ■</div> <div>20 30 40 50</div> <div>PLASTIC M.C. LIQUID</div> <div>20 40 60 80</div>	DEPTH(m)
10.0	BASALT - (continued)					10.0
11.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - occasional reddish brown staining on core - horizontal joint, natural joint, iron oxide staining along surface - natural horizontal joint - highly fragmented recovery for 1.2 metres 					11.0
12.0						12.0
13.0						13.0
14.0						14.0
15.0						15.0
16.0	END OF BOREHOLE (15.6 metres) Thermistor string #1050 installed.					16.0
17.0						17.0
18.0						18.0
19.0						19.0
20.0						20.0

EBA ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS LTD. EDMONTON, ALBERTA		LOGGED BY: EMC	COMPLETION DEPTH: 15.6 m
		REVIEWED BY: EMC	COMPLETE: 96/05/18
		Fig. No: 12259-05	Page 2 of 2

BOSTON GOLD PROJECT		RESCAN ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES LTD.		BOREHOLE NO: 12259-06	
GEOTECHNICAL SITE EVALUATION		DRILL: BBS-25A DIAMOND DRILL		PROJECT NO: 0101-96-12259	
SPYDER LAKE, NWT		UTM ZONE: 13 N7505683 E441327		ELEVATION: 69.7 (m)	
SAMPLE TYPE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SHELBY TUBE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DISTURBED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SPT <input type="checkbox"/> NO RECOVERY <input type="checkbox"/> CORE					

DEPTH(m)	LITHOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE TYPE	GROUND ICE DESCRIPTION	FRACT. FREQ. (per m)		SALINITY (ppt)			DEPTH(m)
				● 4 8 12 16 ●		■ 20 30 40 50 ■			
				▲ RQD (%) ▲		PLASTIC M.C. LIQUID			
				■ RECOVERY (%) ■		20 40 60 80			
0.0	SAND (SP) - some gravel, trace of silt, fine to coarse grained, poorly graded, brown - organics and rootlets to 75mm - trace of gravel - clayey silt seam - fine grained sand and three 25mm gravel clasts, gravel is subrounded								0.0
1.0		Nbe							1.0
2.0	SAND - some clay, trace of gravel and silt, fine grained sand, olive brown		Ice and soil lense 50-60%.						2.0
3.0	SILT (ML) AND CLAY - some sand, occasional shell fragments, reticulate ice matrix, low plastic - clay clasts and separating ice lense		Vs/Vr 10-20%, Ice lense to 5mm thick.						3.0
4.0									4.0
5.0	- irregular structure		Vr 20%, Ice lense to 25mm thick.						5.0
6.0									6.0
7.0	SAND (SM) AND SILT - occasional gravel, clasts, fine grained sand, olive grey - trace of silt		Vr 5-10% ice.						7.0
8.0		Nbe							8.0
9.0	SAND (SM) (TILL) - some gravel and silt, cobbles disseminated throughout, matrix is very fine sand, clasts are coarse grained sand and fine gravel with some coarse gravel and cobbles	Nbe/Nbn							9.0
10.0									10.0

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BOSTON GOLD PROJECT		RESCAN ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES LTD.		BOREHOLE NO: 12259-06	
GEOTECHNICAL SITE EVALUTATION		DRILL: BBS-25A DIAMOND DRILL		PROJECT NO: 0101-96-12259	
SPYDER LAKE, NWT		UTM ZONE: 13 N7505683 E441327		ELEVATION: 69.7 (m)	
SAMPLE TYPE		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SHELBY TUBE <input type="checkbox"/> DISTURBED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SPT <input type="checkbox"/> NO RECOVERY <input type="checkbox"/> CORE			

DEPTH(m)	LITHOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE TYPE	GROUND ICE DESCRIPTION	● FRACT. FREQ. (per m) ● 4 8 12 16		■ SALINITY (ppt) ■ 20 30 40 50		DEPTH(m)
				▲ RQD (%) ▲ 40 60 80 100		PLASTIC M.C. LIQUID		
				■ RECOVERY (%) ■ 20 40 60 80		—————		
10.0	SAND (TILL) - (continued) - 250mm boulder							10.0
11.0								11.0
12.0								12.0
13.0								13.0
14.0								14.0
15.0	BASALT (BEDROCK)							15.0
16.0	END OF BOREHOLE (15.8 metres) Thermistor string #1051 installed.							16.0
17.0								17.0
18.0								18.0
19.0								19.0
20.0							20.0	

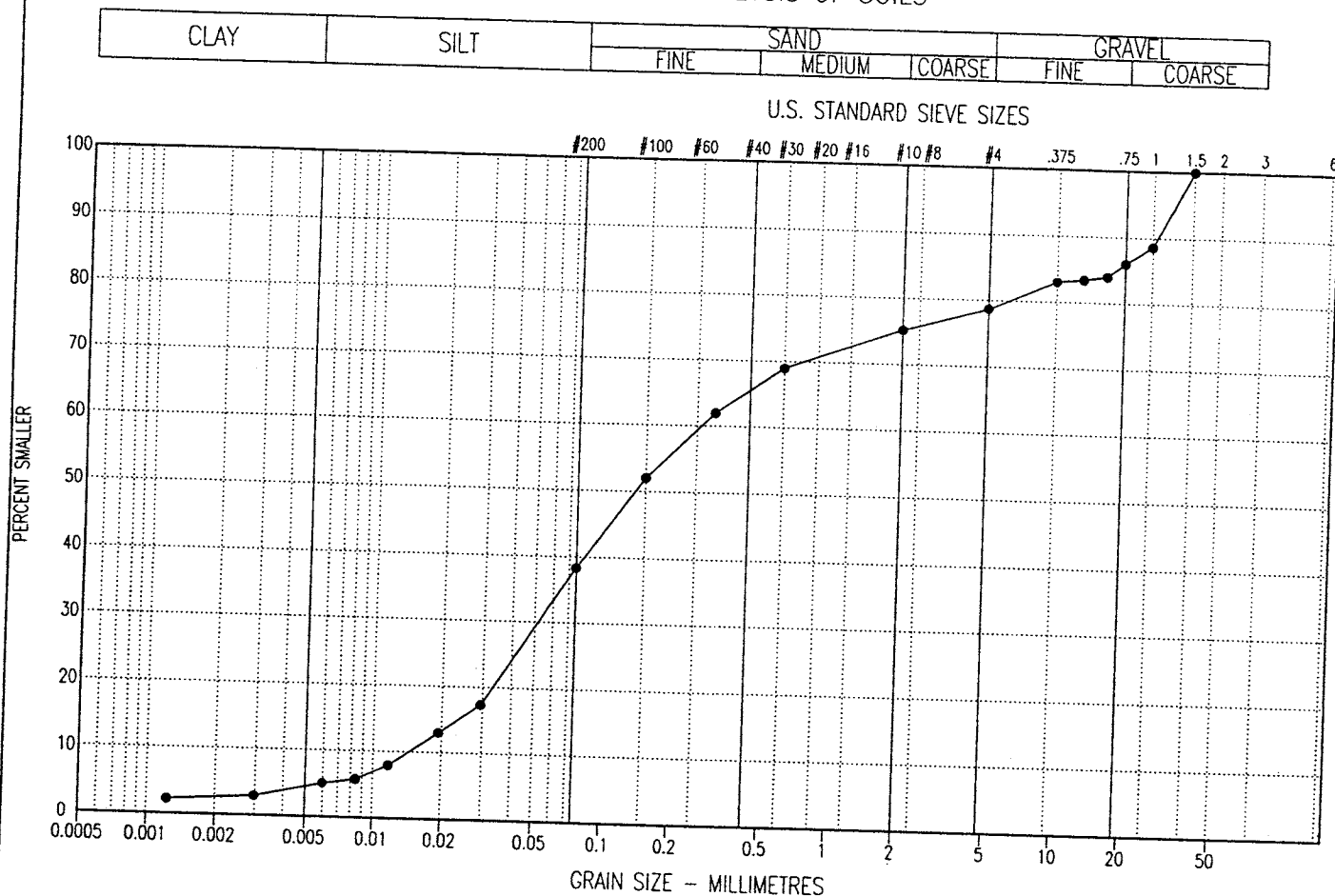
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BOSTON GOLD PROJECT		RESCAN ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES LTD.		BOREHOLE NO: 12259-07	
GEOTECHNICAL SITE EVALUTATION		DRILL: BBS-25A DIAMOND DRILL		PROJECT NO: 0101-96-12259	
SPYDER LAKE, NWT		UTM ZONE: 13 N7506000 E442000		ELEVATION:	
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DEPTH(m)	LITHOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION	SAMPLE TYPE	GROUND ICE DESCRIPTION	FRACT. FREQ. (per m)		SALINITY (ppt)			DEPTH(m)
				● 4 8 12 16 ● ▲ RQD (%) ▲ 40 60 80 100		■ 20 30 40 50 ■ PLASTIC M.C. LIQUID 20 40 60 80			
				■ RECOVERY (%) ■ 20 40 60 80					
0.0	ORGANICS – silty, organic fibers, numerous rootlets, dark brown, (150mm thick)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nbe Vx/Vr 5% Ice						0.0
1.0	SILT AND SAND – trace to some clay, fine grained sand, brown								1.0
2.0	SAND (SM) – silty, fine grained, olive brown	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	25mm ice lense inclined to vertical. 25mm ice lense inclined to vertical. Nbe						2.0
3.0	– olive grey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>							3.0
4.0	SAND (SM) AND SILT (TILL) – gravelly, trace of clay, occasional cobbles, matrix supported, brown	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nbe						4.0
5.0	– olive grey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>							5.0
6.0	– fine to medium grained sand	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>							6.0
7.0	– some gravel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>							7.0
8.0		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>							8.0
9.0	END OF BOREHOLE (8.4 metres)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>							9.0
10.0		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>							10.0

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PARTICLE SIZE - ANALYSIS OF SOILS



SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION				Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY %	SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
●—●	12259-07	3.61 - 3.81	4.3	34.0	40.3	21.4	18.3	0.8	SM

Project: 0101-96-12259

Date Tested: 96/07/18

BY: KCH

Tested in accordance with ASTM D422 unless otherwise noted.

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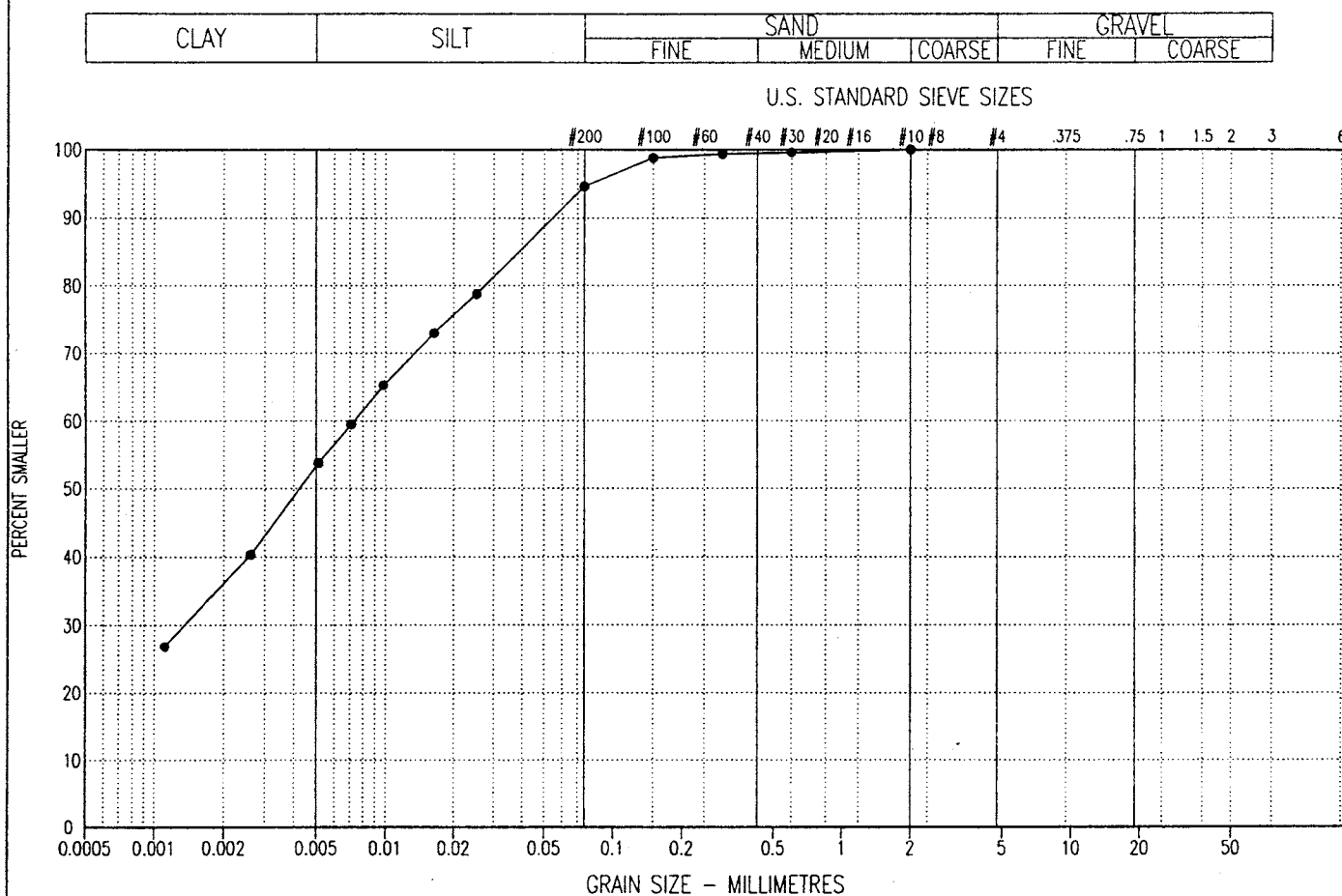
LABORATORY TEST SUMMARY

Borehole	Sample Number	Depth from to (m)	Moisture Content (%)	Salinity (ppt)	Liquid Limit	Plastic Limit	Plasticity Index	USC Classification	Clay (%)	Silt (%)	Sand (%)	Gravel (%)
12259-01	1a	0.00 - 0.15	54.8									
12259-01	1b	0.15 - 0.30	41.0									
12259-01	2	1.42	35.2									
12259-01	3	2.18	31.6									
12259-01	4	2.62 - 3.07	37.2	3	24	18	6	CL - ML	53.1	41.5	5.4	0.0
12259-01	5	5.33 - 5.79	23.5									
12259-01	6	6.91 - 7.95										
12259-02	1	0.20 - 0.41	29.3		30	21	9	CL	40.5	46.8	12.7	0.0
12259-02	2	0.79 - 0.94	85.8									
12259-02	3	1.24 - 1.40	32.9						14.4	35.8	49.8	0.0
12259-03	1	1.04 - 1.17	50.6									
12259-03	2	2.64 - 2.82	75.4		48	29	19	ML	45.0	54.5	0.5	0.0
12259-03	3	3.33 - 3.48	68.5									
12259-03	4	4.42 - 4.57	61.3									
12259-03	5	5.18 - 5.54	77.9	48					7.3	45.7	46.2	0.8
12259-03	6	5.59 - 5.74	26.6									
12259-04	1	0.25 - 0.41	254.5									
12259-04	2	1.27 - 1.42	97.0	13					41.8	44.4	13.8	0.0
12259-04	3	2.06 - 2.21	42.6		44	29	15	ML	55.5	38.3	6.2	0.0
12259-04	4	2.82 - 2.97	64.0									
12259-04	5	3.43 - 3.58	67.7	39								
12259-04	6	4.70 - 4.95	49.5		25	16	9	CL	43.2	50.9	5.7	0.2
12259-05	1	0.38 - 0.66	19.0									
12259-05	2	0.91 - 1.52	15.5					SM	3.2	35.9	42.4	18.5
12259-06	1	0.15 - 0.30	17.3									
12259-06	2	0.66 - 0.86	9.7					SP	0.0	3.3	81.7	15.0
12259-06	3	1.52 - 2.03	20.5					SC	15.9	6.5	73.9	3.7
12259-06	4	3.45 - 3.61	57.8					ML	49.6	38.6	11.8	0.0
12259-06	5	4.32 - 4.57	66.6									
12259-06	6	5.89 - 6.25	39.2	27								
12259-06	7	6.83 - 7.06	16.6									
12259-06	8a	7.11 - 7.37	23.2									
12259-06	8b	7.72 - 7.92	23.7					SM		34.4	65.5	0.1
12259-06	9	8.53 - 8.84	10.1					SM		25.4	55.8	18.8
12259-06	10	10.16 - 10.36	12.1									

LABORATORY TEST SUMMARY

Borehole	Sample Number	Depth from (m)	to	Moisture Content (%)	Salinity (ppt)	Liquid Limit	Plastic Limit	Plasticity Index	USC Classification	Clay (%)	Silt (%)	Sand (%)	Gravel (%)
12259-07	1	0.18 - 0.33		47.2						10.6	45.0	44.3	0.1
12259-07	2	1.80 - 1.98		25.7					SM		36.3	63.7	0.0
12259-07	3	2.87 - 3.18		25.5									
12259-07	4	3.61 - 3.81		13.8					SM	4.3	34.0	40.3	21.4
12259-07	5	4.50 - 4.80		20.0									
12259-07	6	5.33 - 5.59		17.0									

PARTICLE SIZE - ANALYSIS OF SOILS



SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION				Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY %	SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
●—●	12259-01	2.62 - 3.07	53.1	41.5	5.4	0.0	—	—	

Project: 0101-96-12259

Date Tested: 96/06/26

BY: KCH

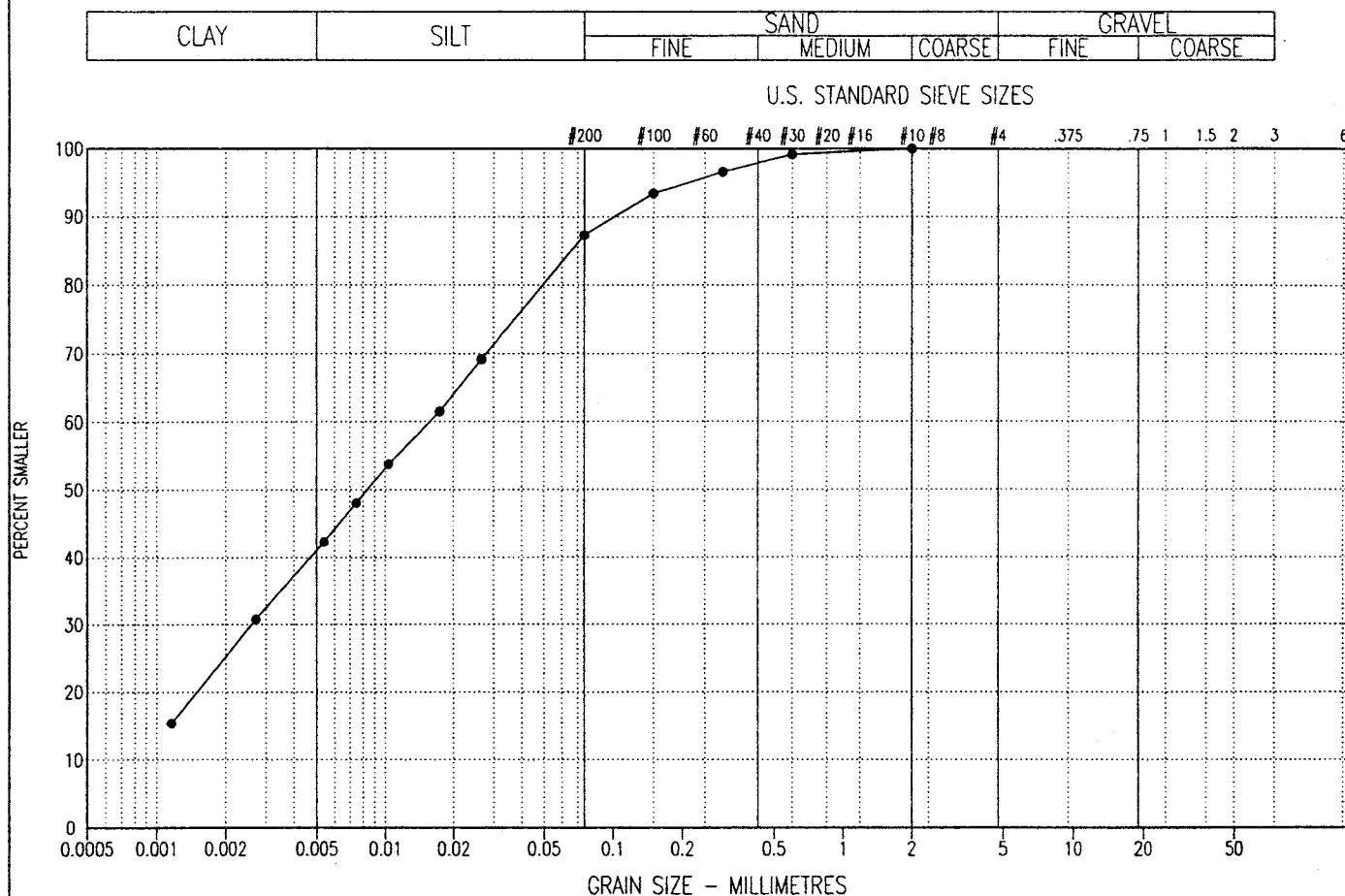
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SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION				Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY %	SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
●—●	12259-02	0.20 - 0.41	40.5	46.8	12.7	0.0	—	—	

Project: 0101-96-12259

Date Tested: 96/07/18

BY: KCH

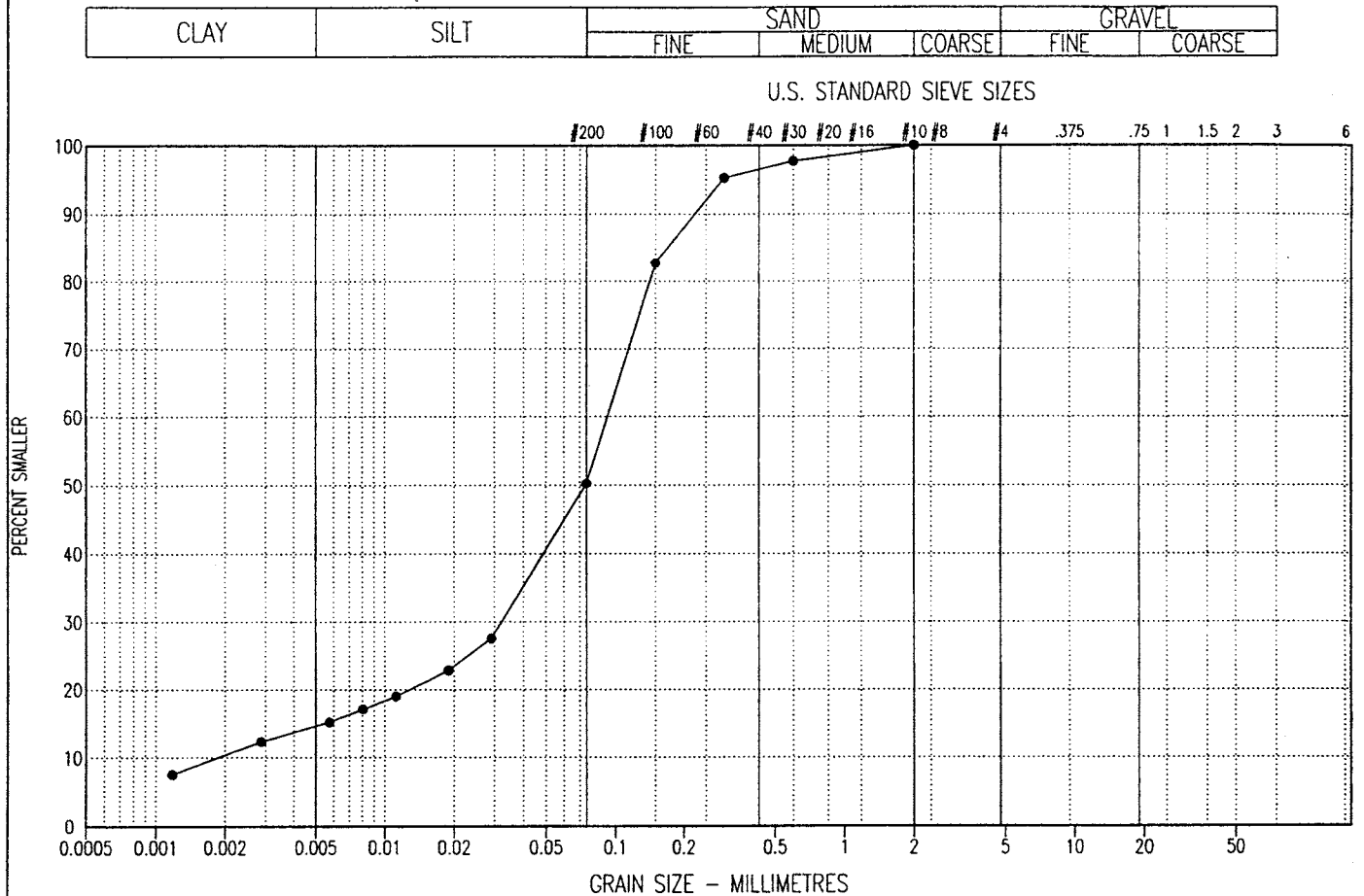
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SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION				Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY %	SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
●—●	12259-02	1.24 - 1.40	14.4	35.8	49.8	0.0	48.1	5.9	

Project: 0101-96-12259

Date Tested: 96/06/25

BY: KCH

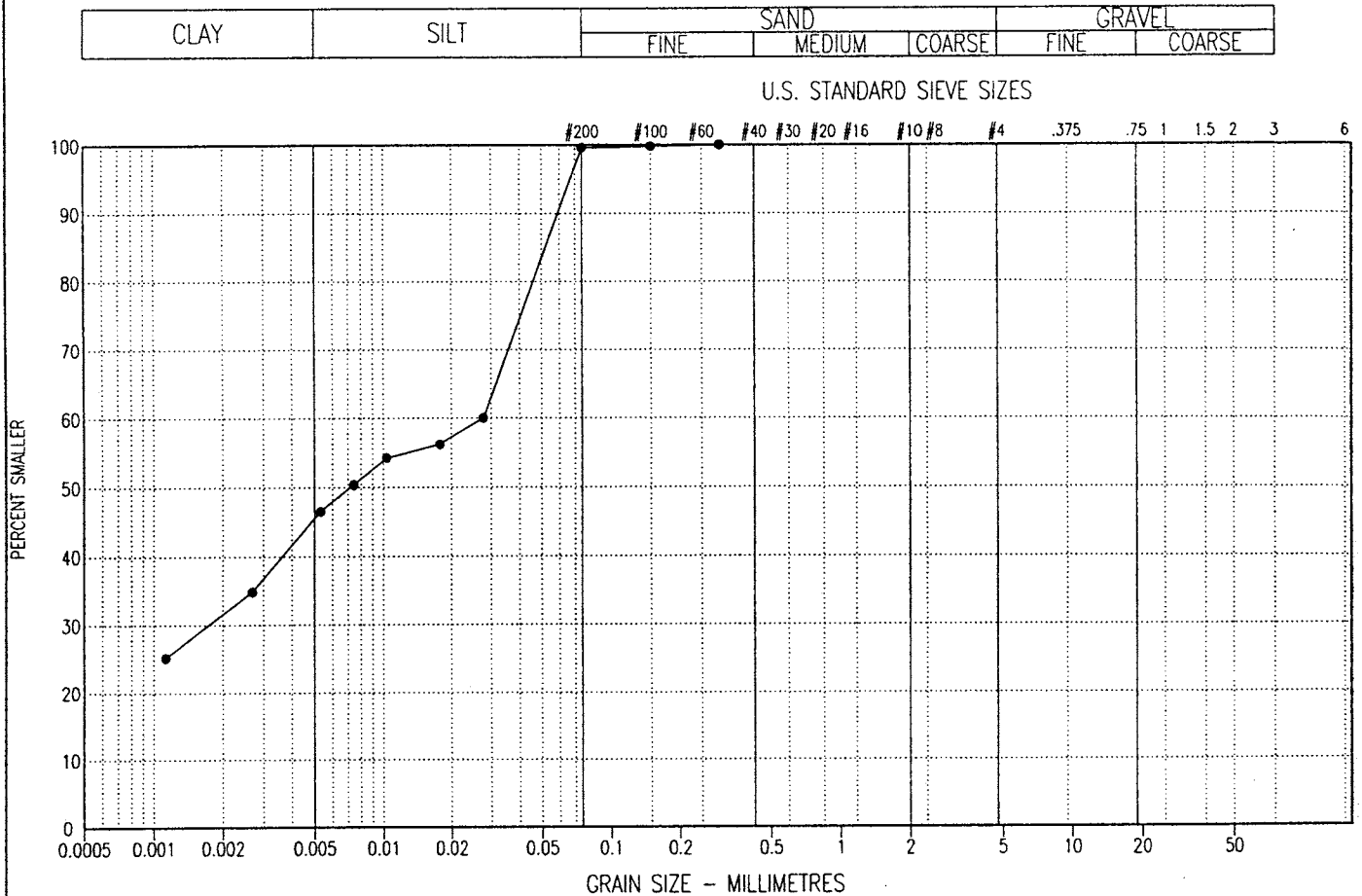
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PARTICLE SIZE - ANALYSIS OF SOILS



SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION				Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY %	SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
●—●	12259-03	2.64 - 2.82	45.0	54.5	0.5	0.0	—	—	

Project: 0101-96-12259

Date Tested: 96/06/26

BY: KCH

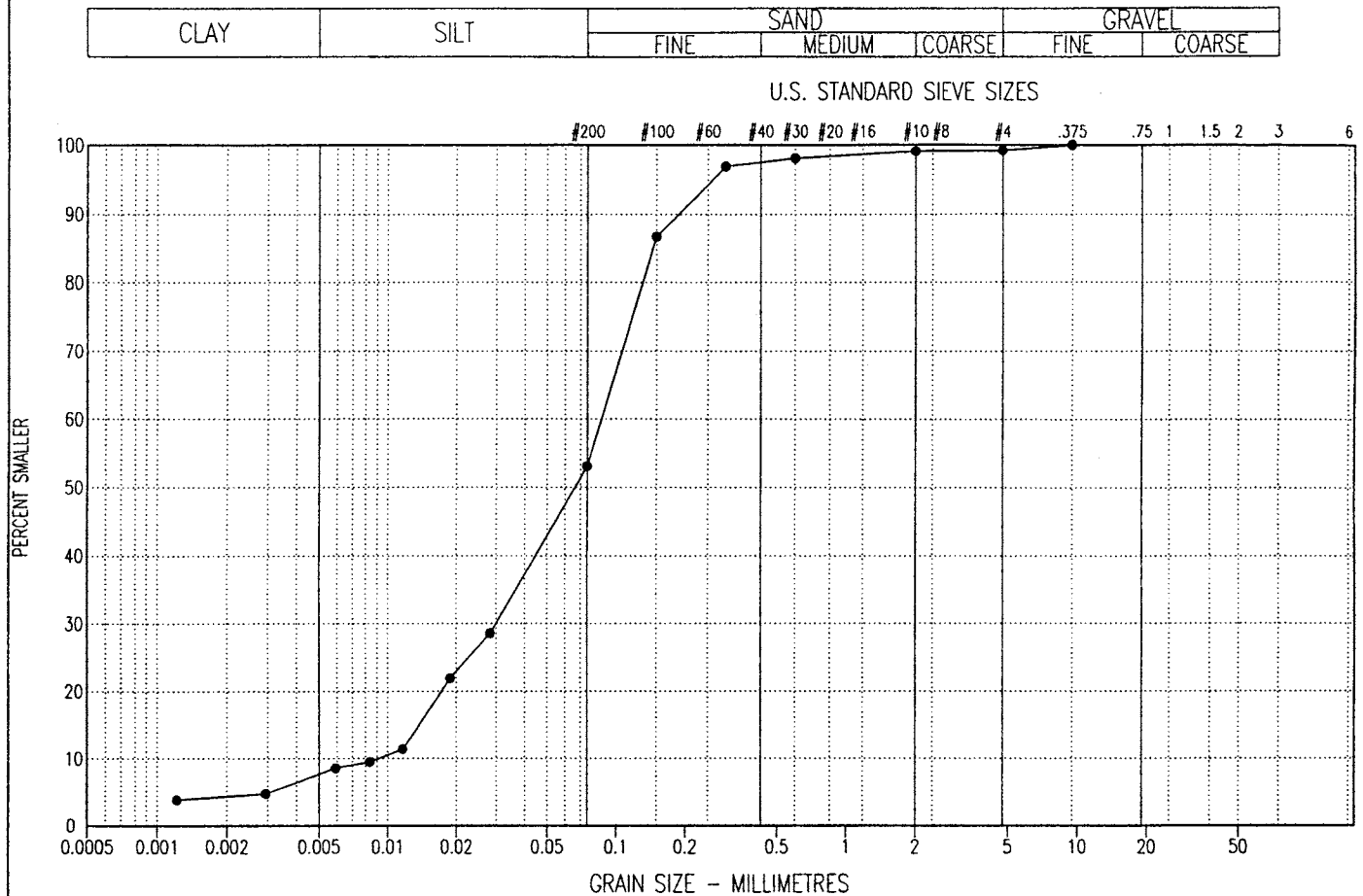
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PARTICLE SIZE - ANALYSIS OF SOILS



SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION				Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY %	SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
●—●	12259-03	5.59 - 5.74	7.3	45.7	46.2	0.8	9.9	1.2	

Project: 0101-96-12259

Date Tested: 96/07/18

BY: KCH

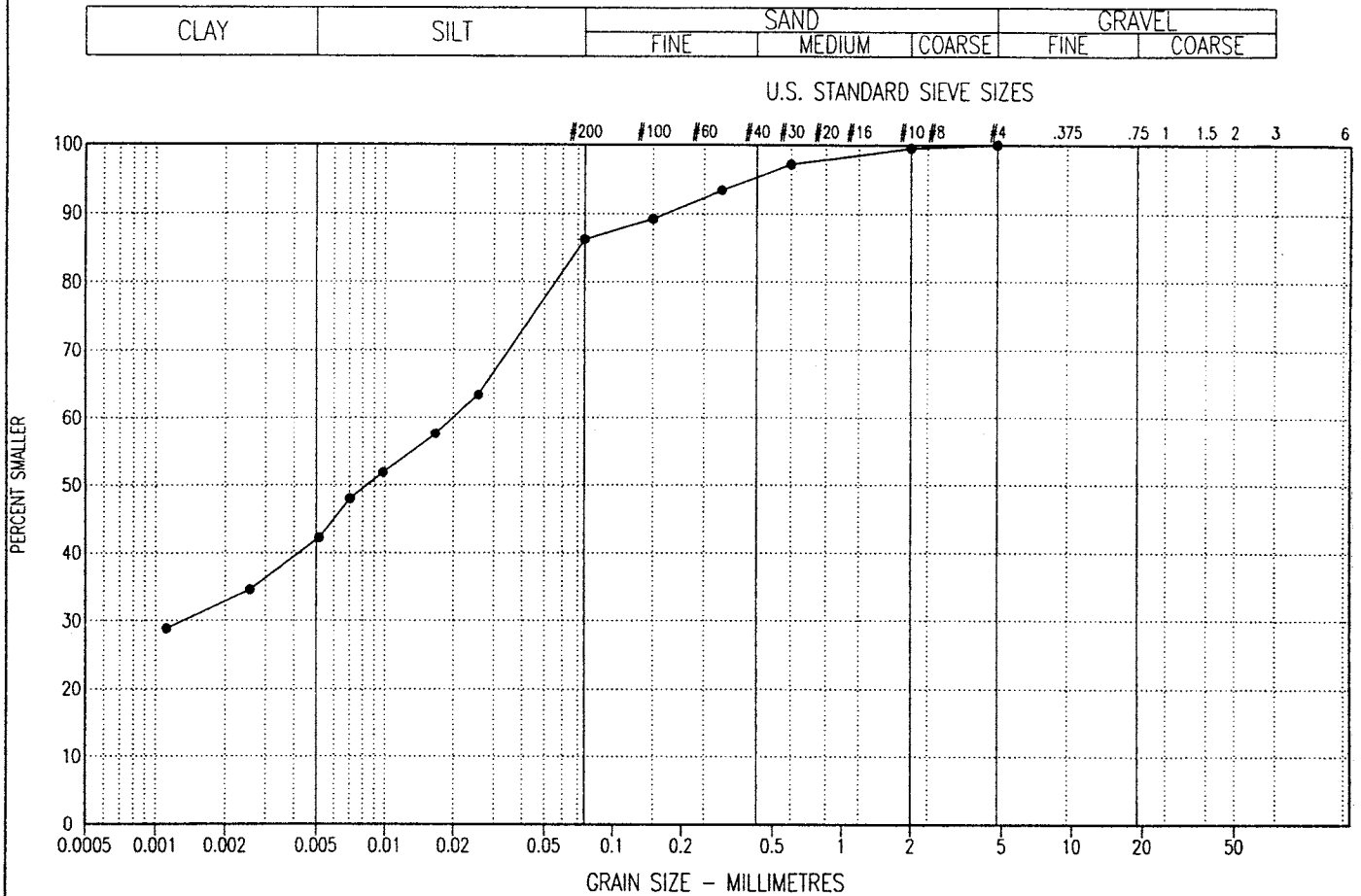
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SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION				Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY %	SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
●—●	12259-04	0.25 - 0.41	41.8	44.4	13.8	0.0	-	-	

Project: 0101-96-12259

Date Tested: 96/07/18

BY: KCH

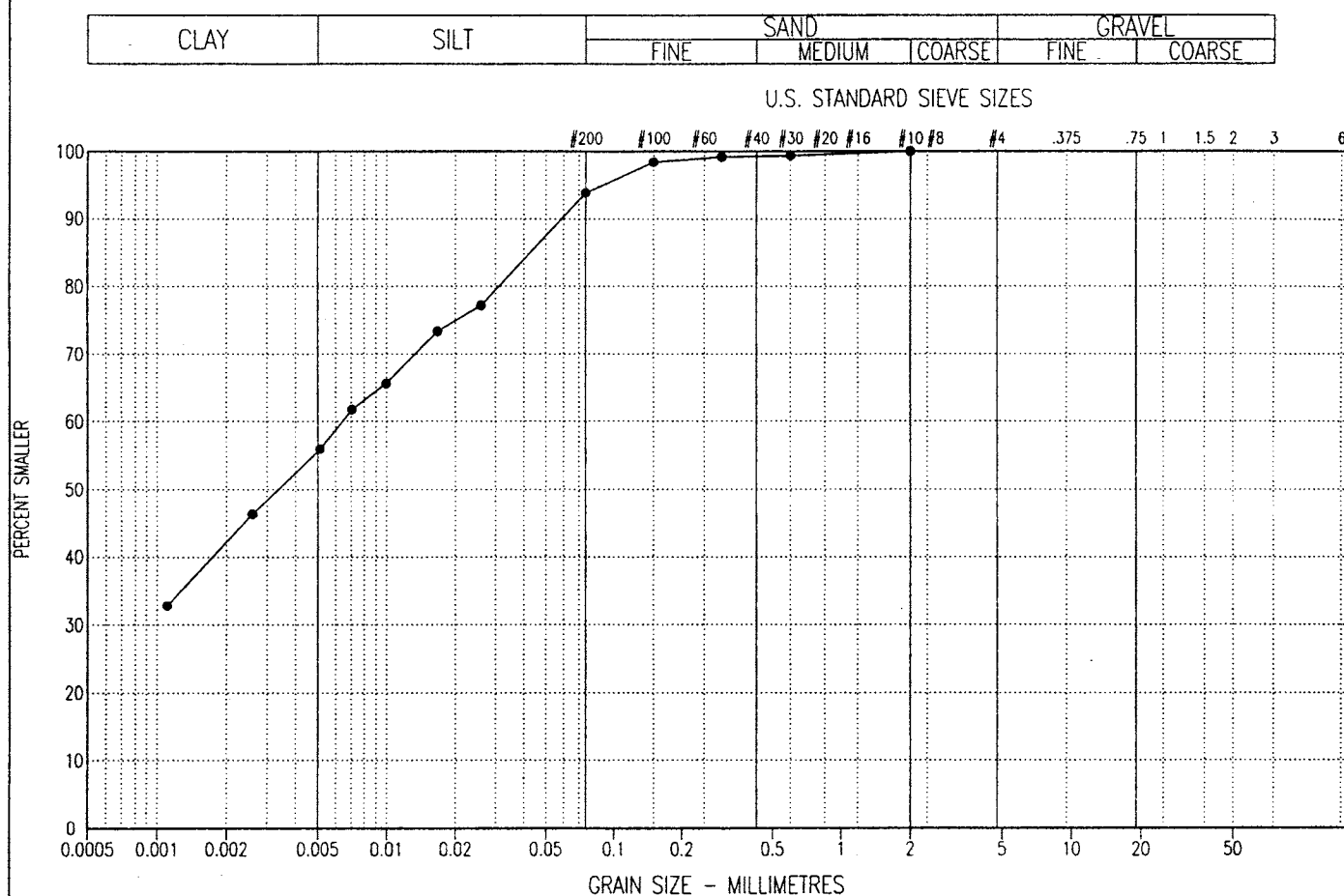
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Date Tested: 96/06/26

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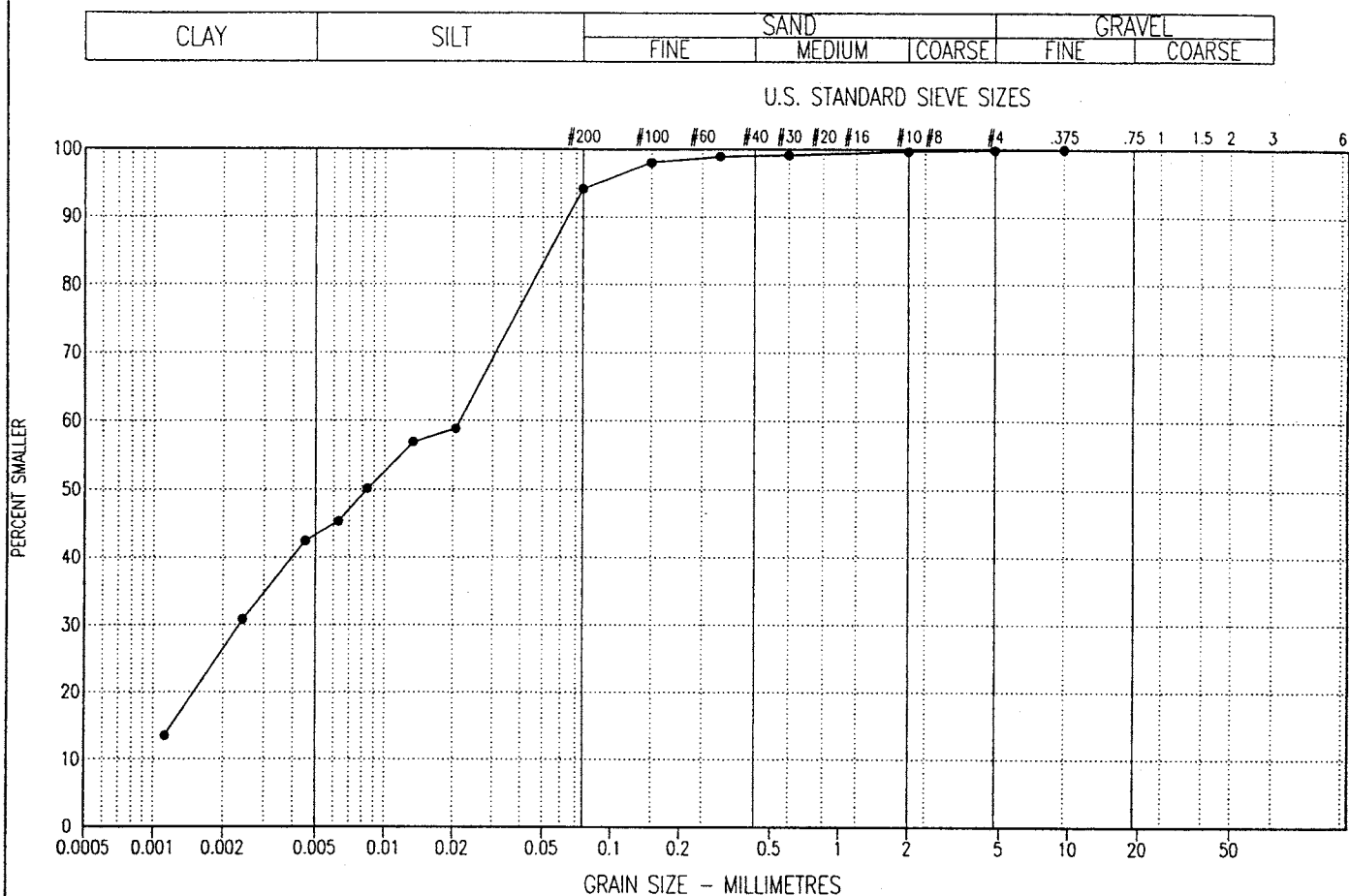
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PARTICLE SIZE - ANALYSIS OF SOILS



SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION				Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY %	SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
●—●	12259-04	4.70 - 4.95	43.2	50.9	5.7	0.2	—	—	

Project: 0101-96-12259

Date Tested: 96/06/26

BY: KCH

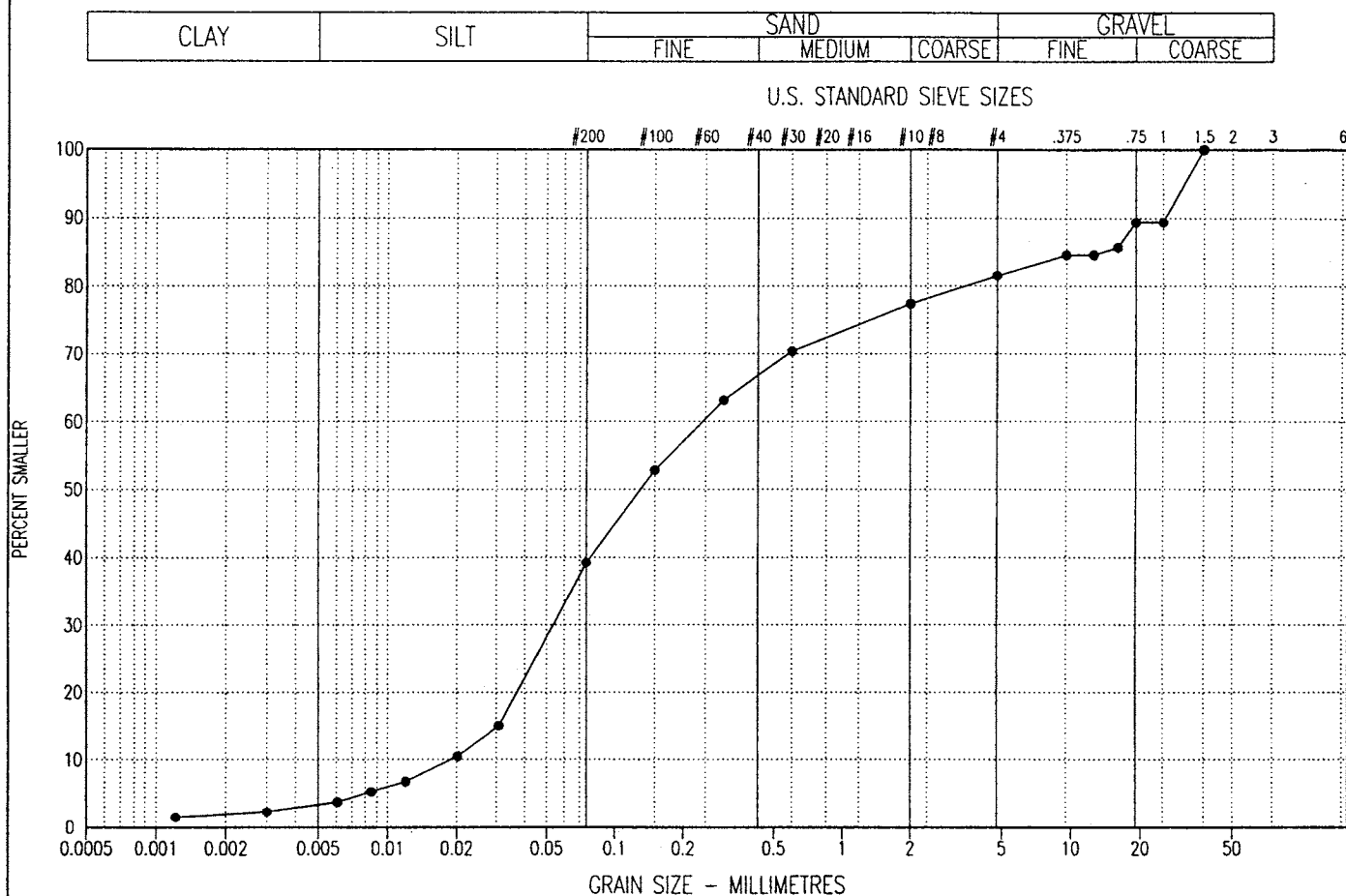
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SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION				Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY %	SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
—●—	12259-05	0.91 - 1.52	3.2	35.9	42.4	18.5	13.3	0.7	SM

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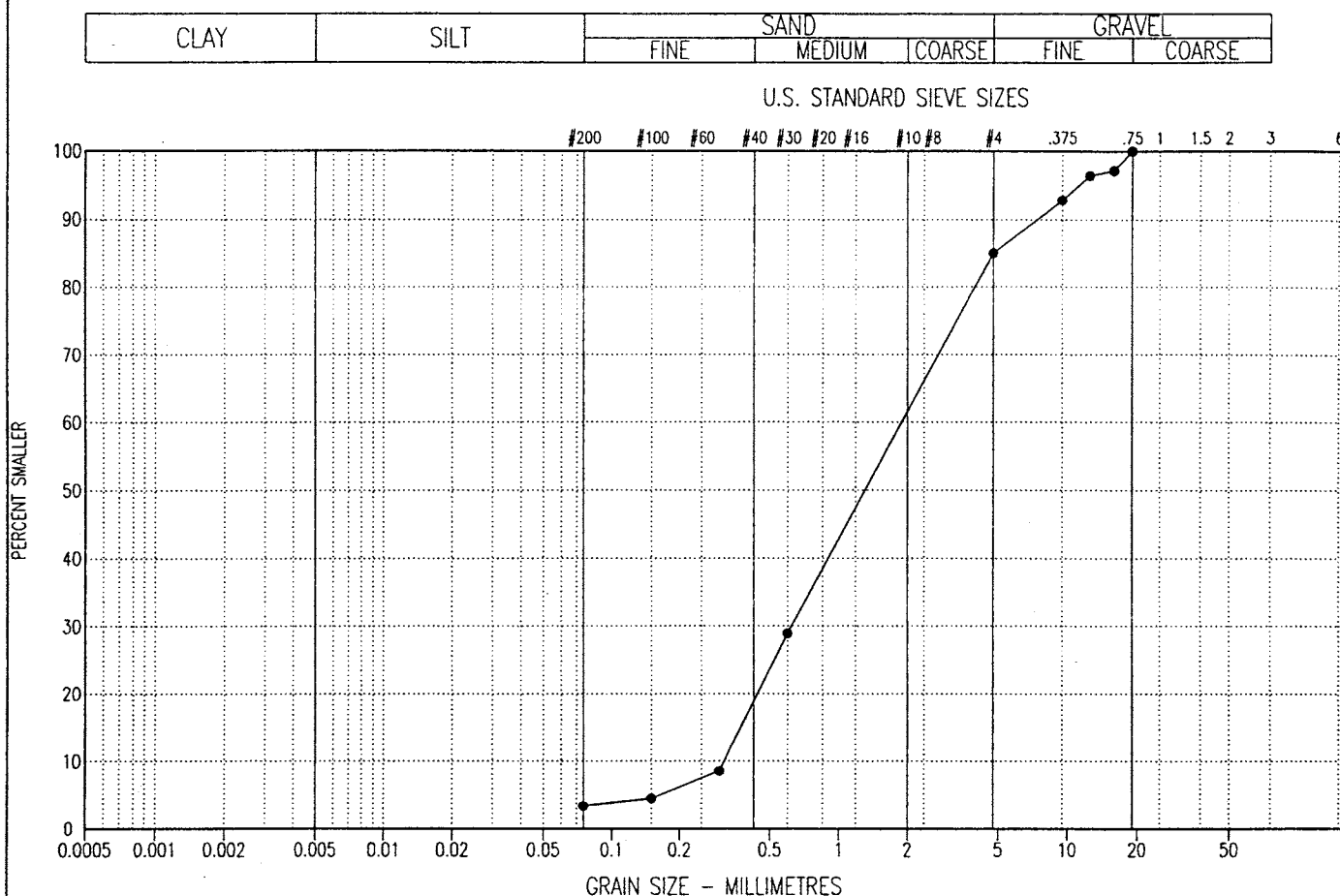
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SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION			Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY & SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
●—●	12259-06	0.66 - 0.86	3.3	81.7	15.0	837.1	7.8	SP

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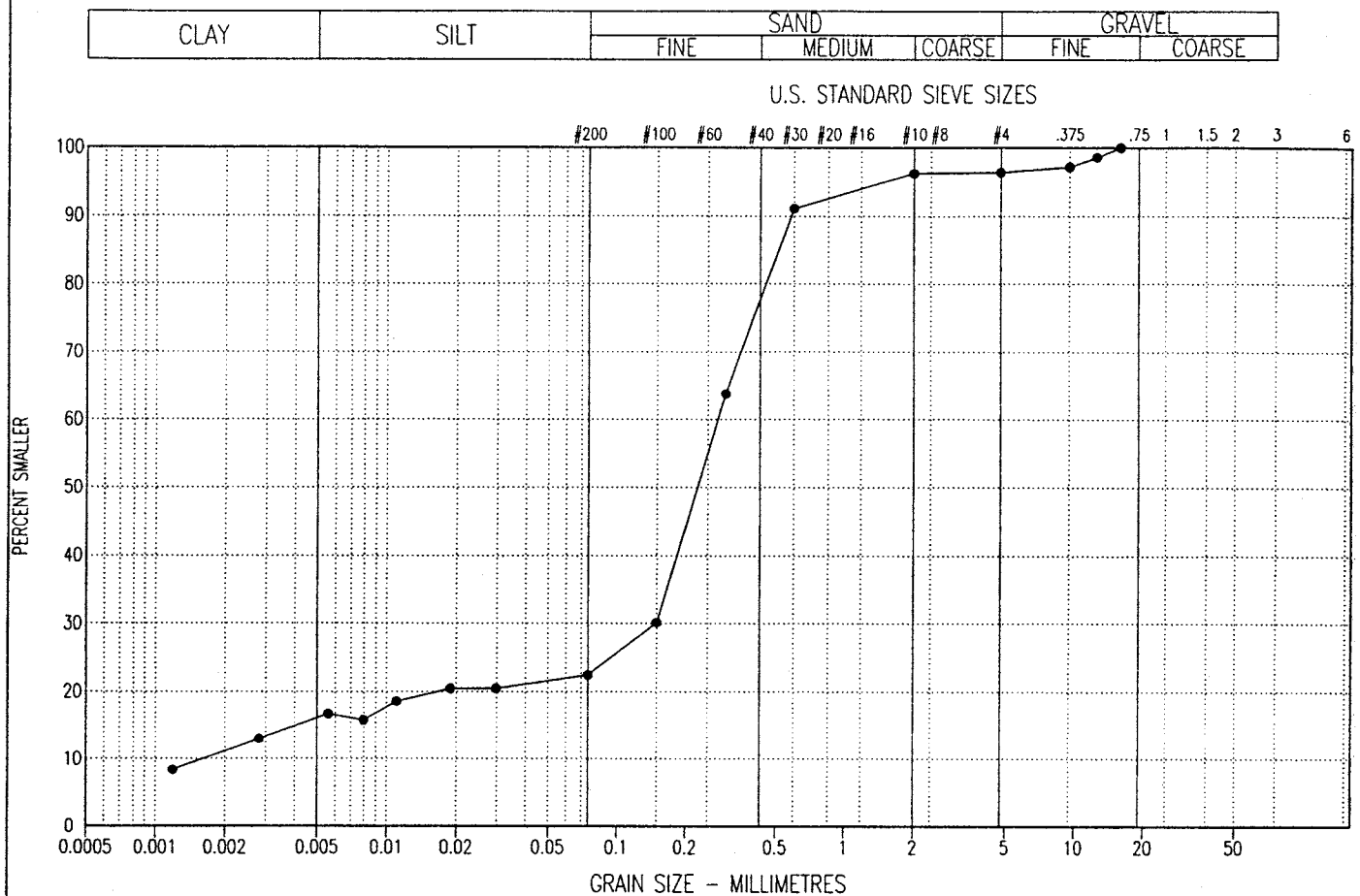
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SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION				Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY %	SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
●—●	12259-06	1.52 - 2.03	15.9	6.5	73.9	3.7	160.6	44.3	SC

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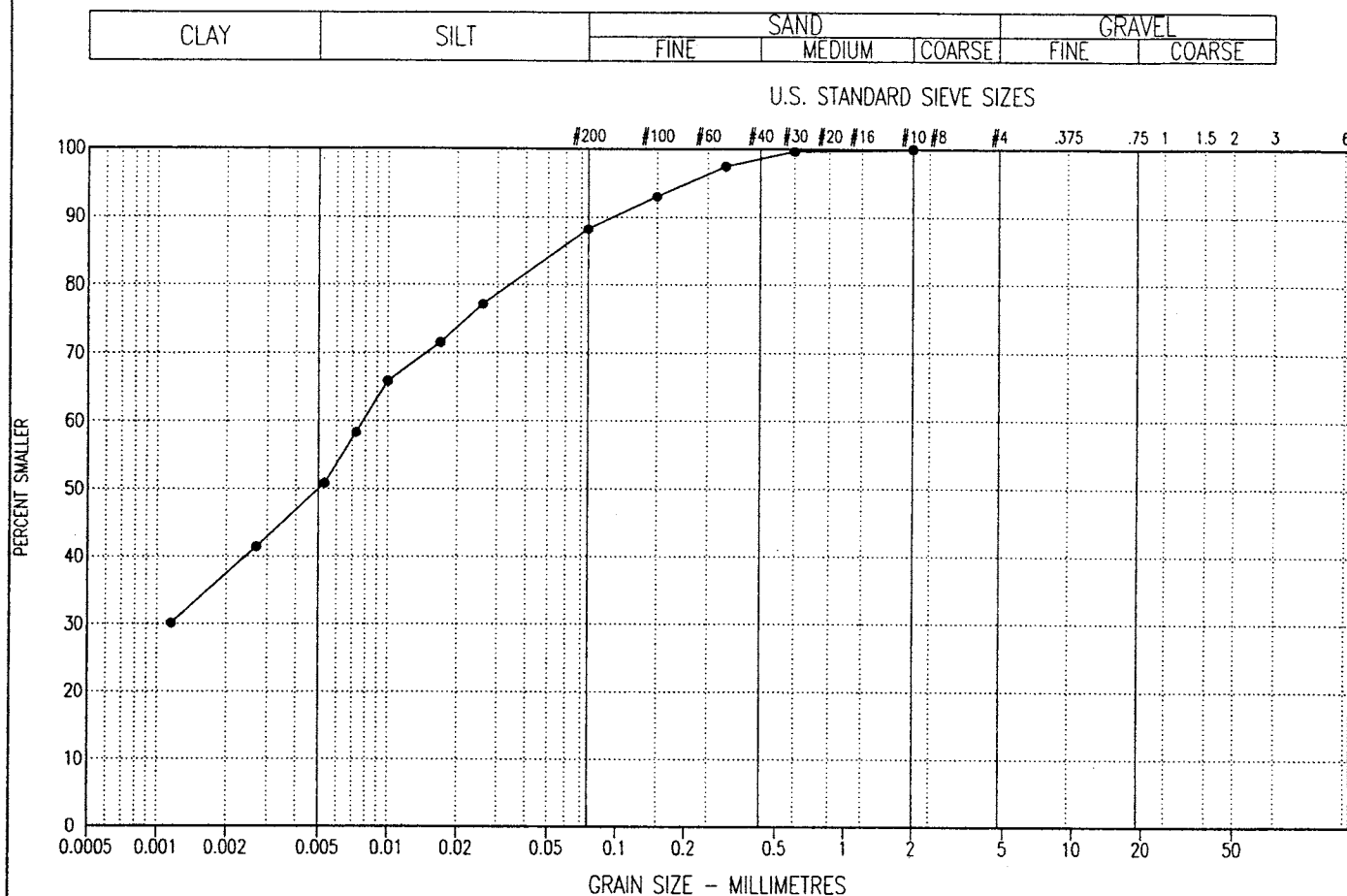
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SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION				Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY %	SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
●—●	12259-06	3.45 - 3.61	49.6	38.6	11.8	0.0	-	-	

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Date Tested: 96/07/18

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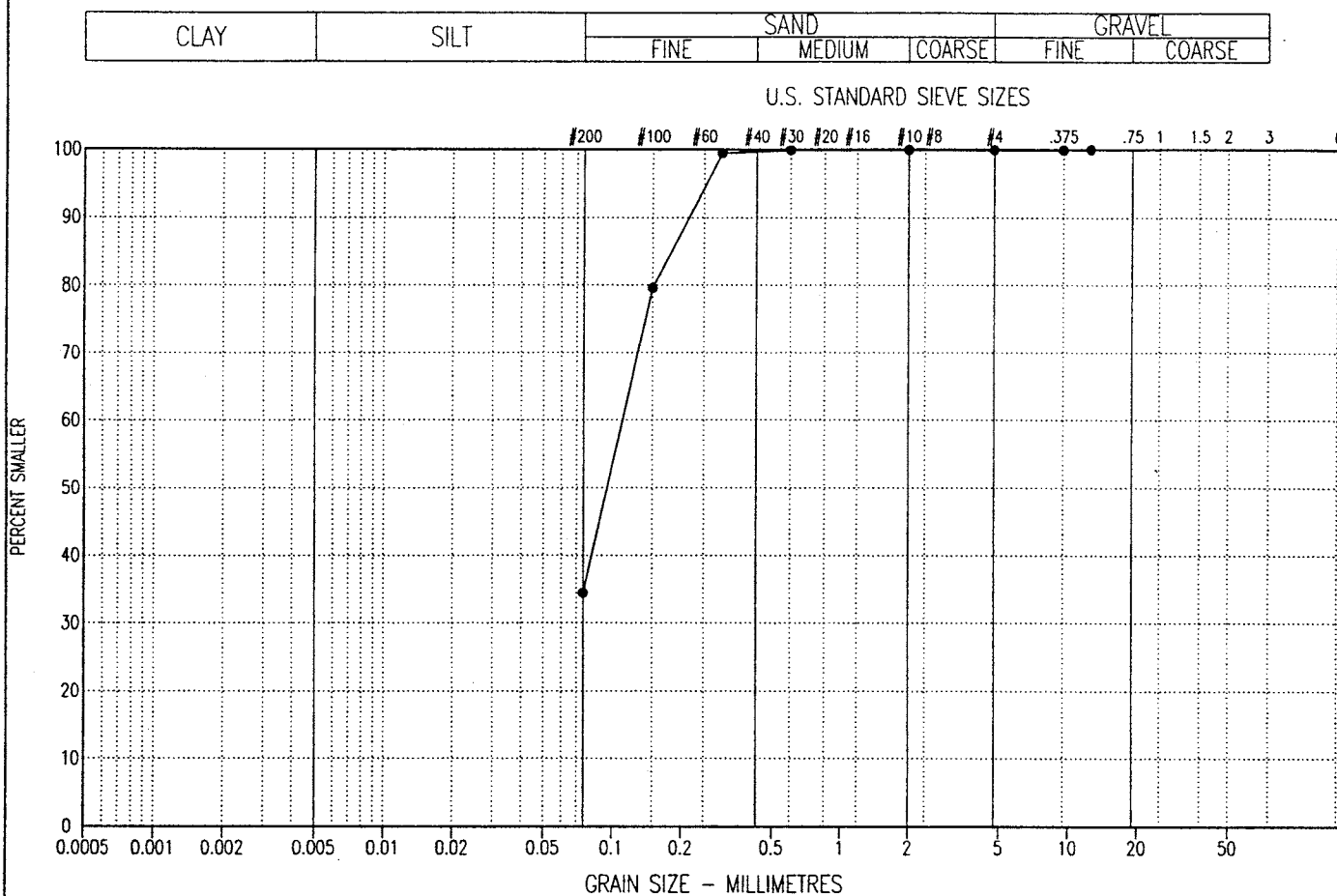
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SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION			Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY & SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
—●—	12259-06	7.72 - 7.92	34.4	65.5	0.1	5.4	1.7	SM

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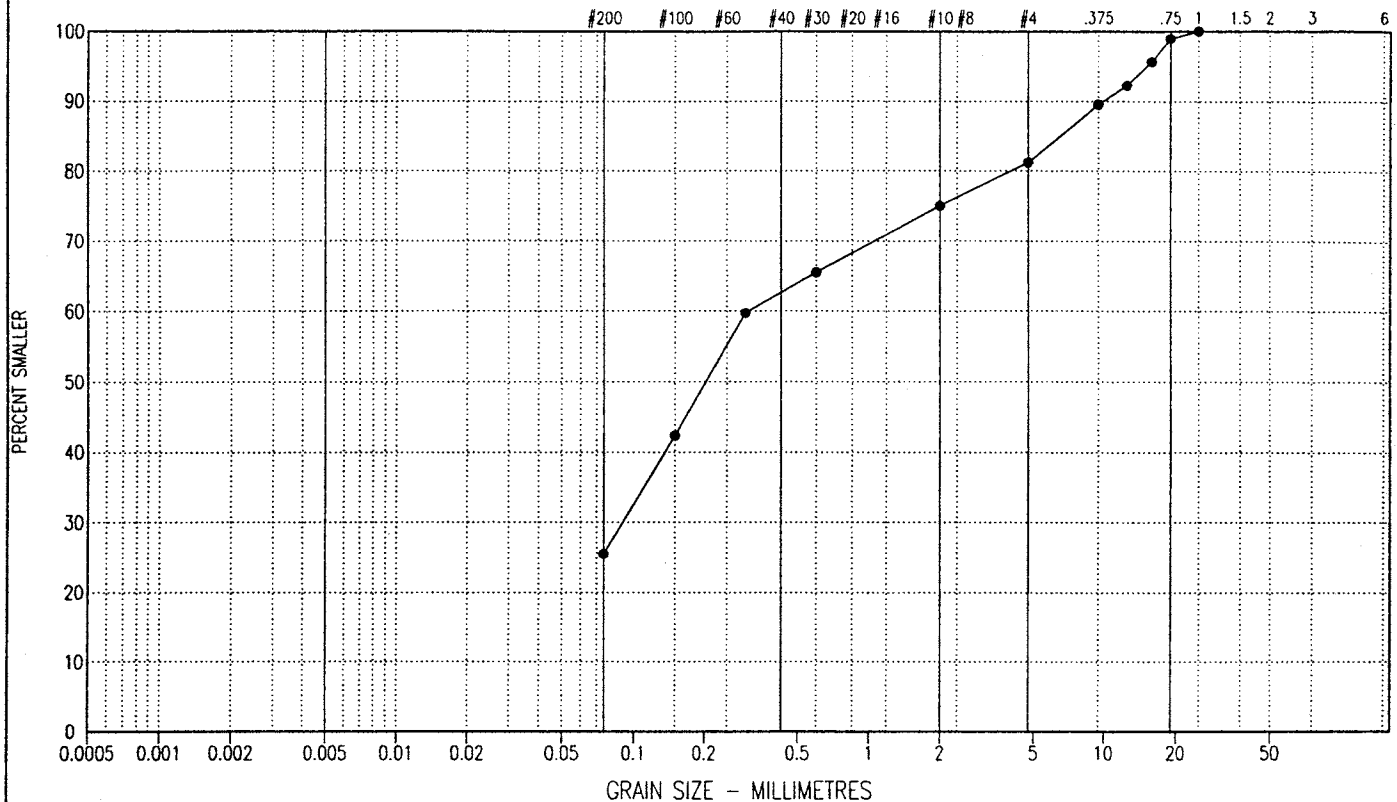
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PARTICLE SIZE - ANALYSIS OF SOILS

CLAY	SILT	SAND			GRAVEL	
		FINE	MEDIUM	COARSE	FINE	COARSE

U.S. STANDARD SIEVE SIZES



SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION			Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY & SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
●—●	12259-06	8.53 - 8.84	25.4	55.8	18.8	10.7	1.0	SM

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Date Tested: / /

BY:

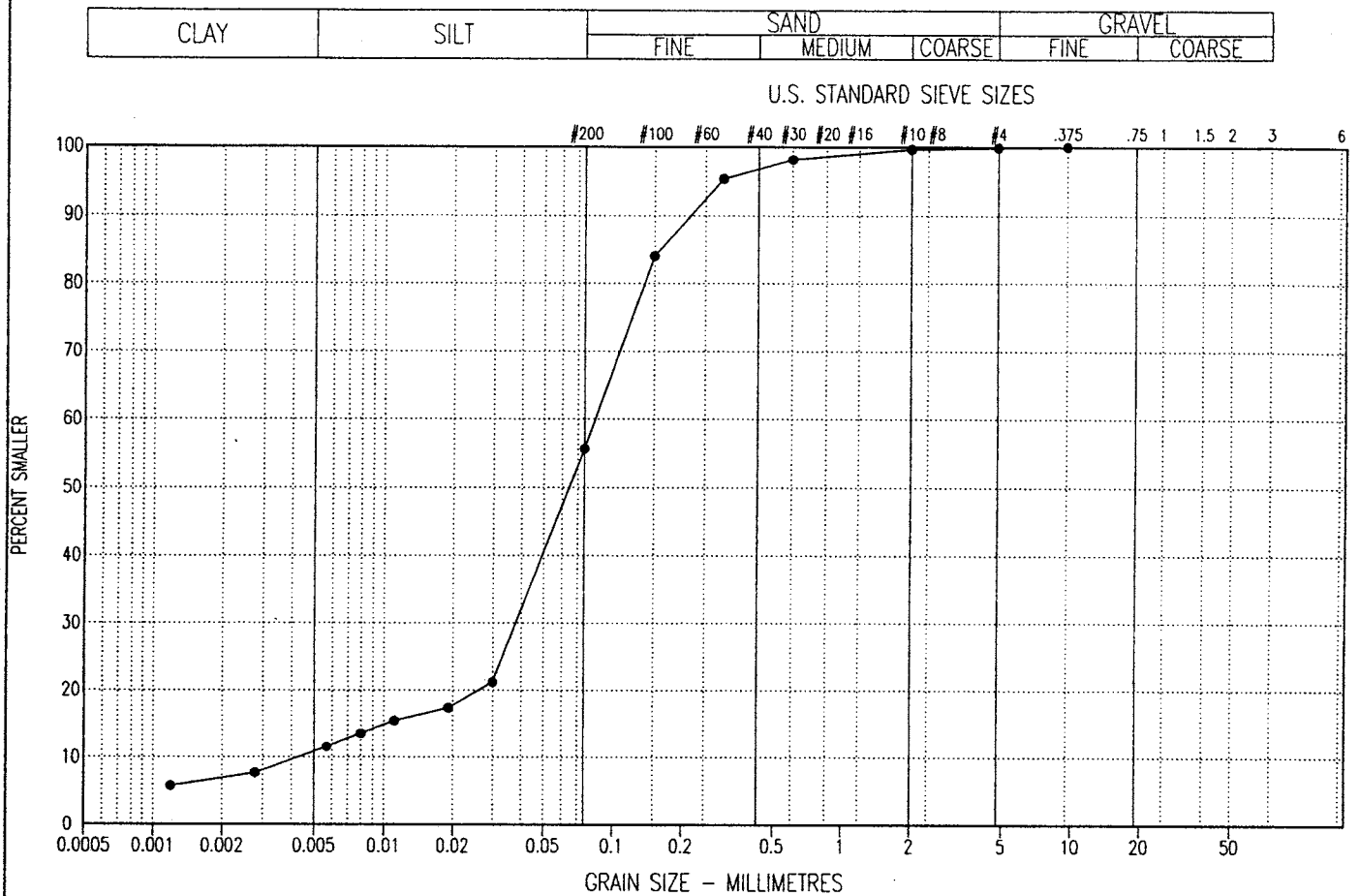
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PARTICLE SIZE - ANALYSIS OF SOILS



SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION				Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY %	SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
●—●	12259-07	0.18 - 0.33	10.6	45.0	44.3	0.1	19.2	4.4	

Project: 0101-96-12259

Date Tested: 96/07/18

BY: KCH

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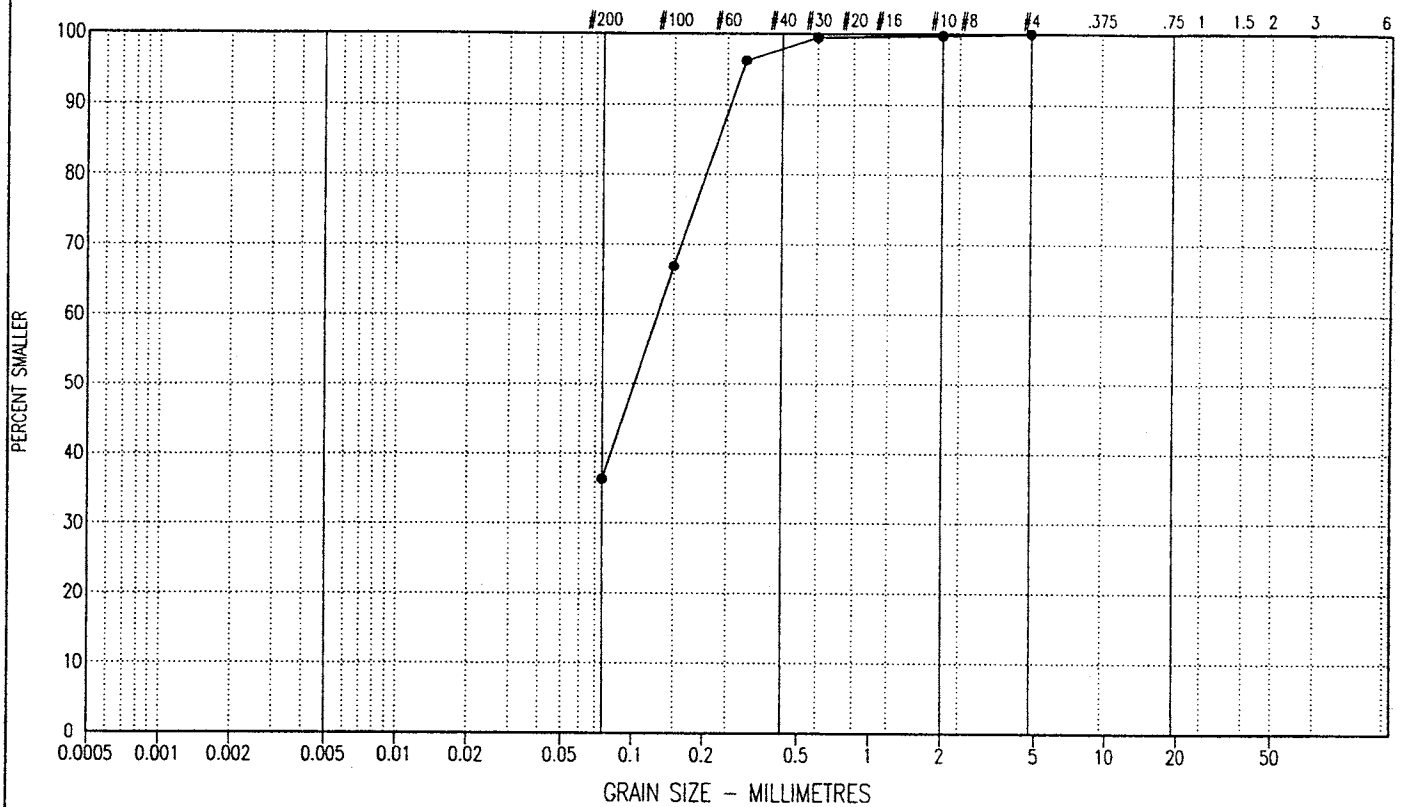
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PARTICLE SIZE - ANALYSIS OF SOILS

CLAY	SILT	SAND			GRAVEL	
		FINE	MEDIUM	COARSE	FINE	COARSE

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SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION			Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY & SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
●—●	12259-07	1.80 - 1.98	36.3	63.7	0.0	6.4	1.4	SM

Project: 0101-96-12259

Date Tested: / /

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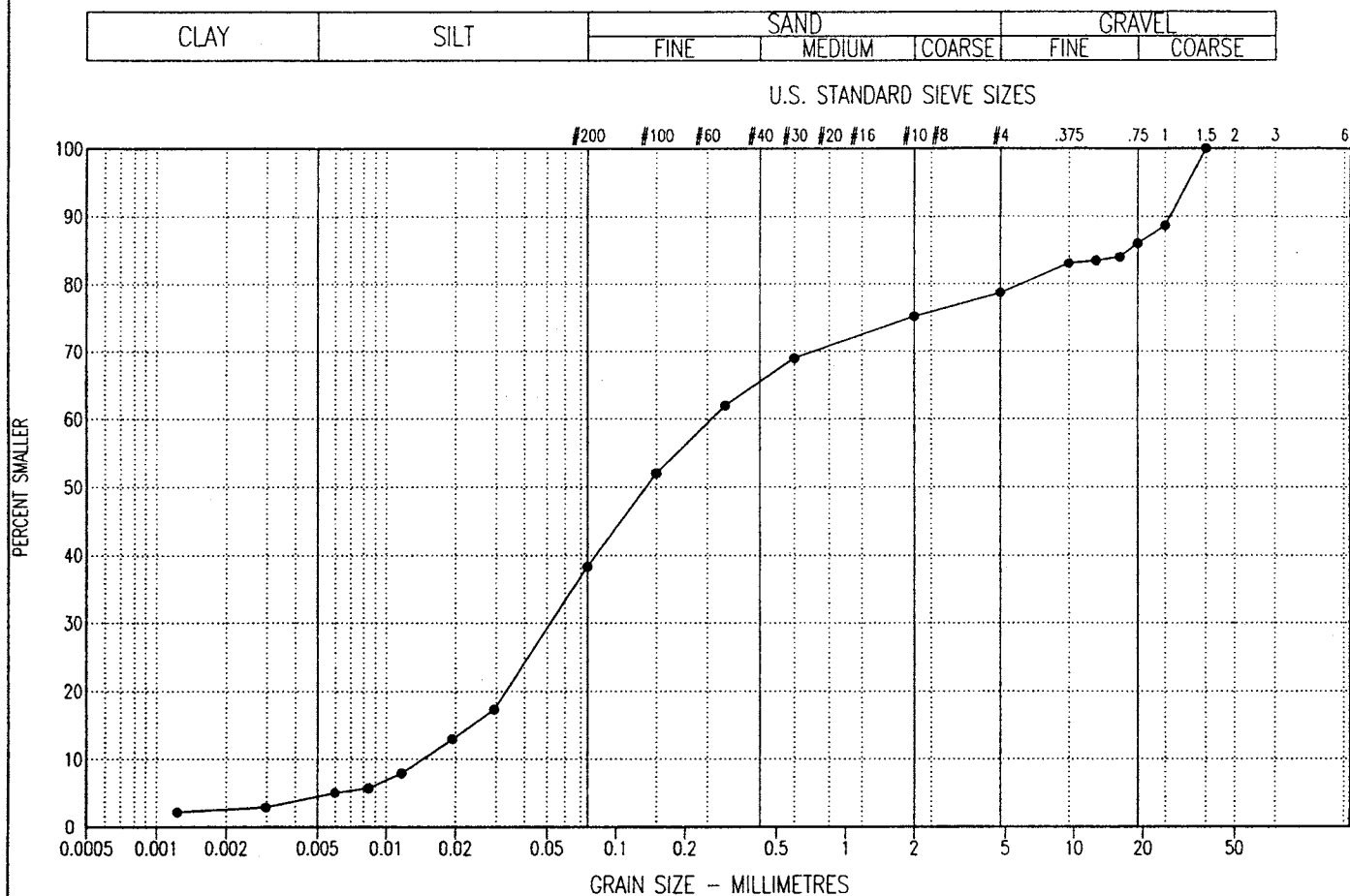
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SYMBOL	BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION				Cu	Cc	U.S.C
			CLAY %	SILT %	SAND %	GRAVEL %			
●—●	12259-07	3.61 - 3.81	4.3	34.0	40.3	21.4	18.3	0.8	SM

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APPENDIX C

GROUND TEMPERATURE DATA

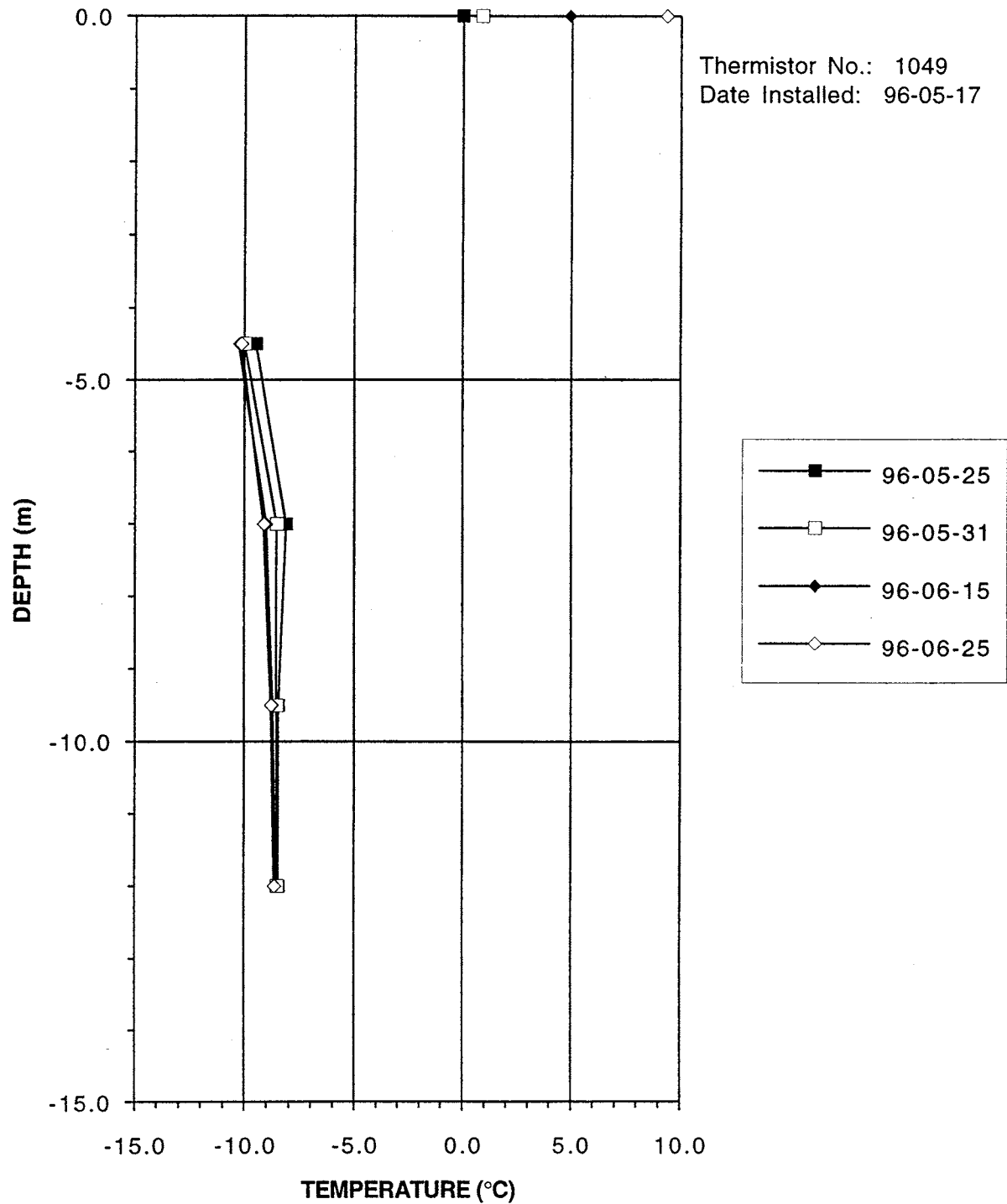
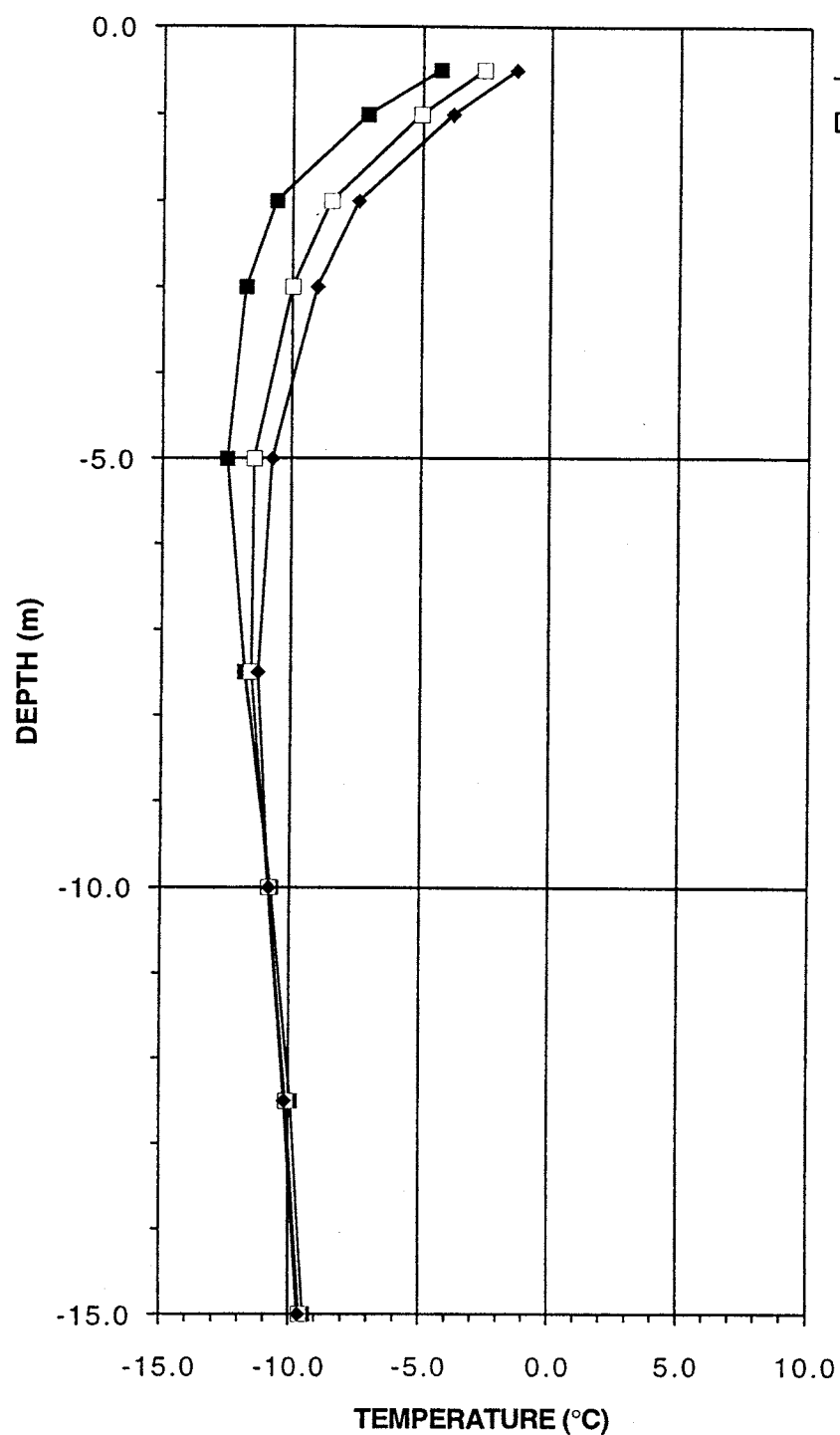


FIGURE C.1

**GROUND TEMPERATURE PROFILE
BOREHOLE 12259-03**



Thermistor No.: 1050
Date Installed: 96-05-19

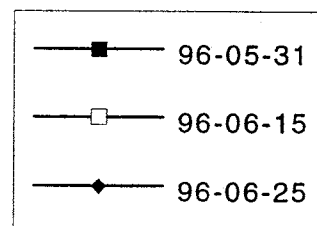


FIGURE C.2

**GROUND TEMPERATURE PROFILE
BOREHOLE 12259-05**

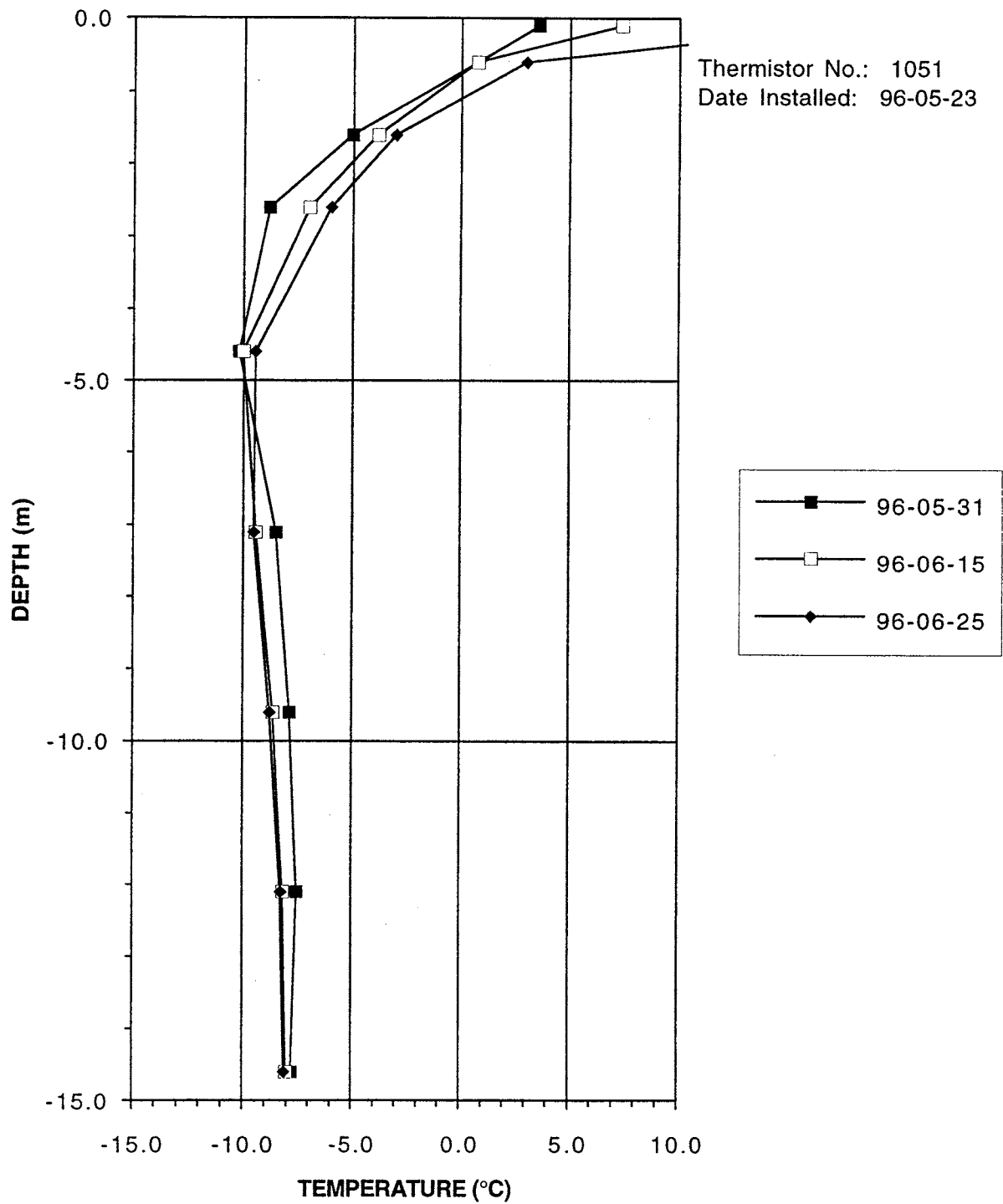


FIGURE C.3

**GROUND TEMPERATURE PROFILE
BOREHOLE 12259-06**

GROUND TEMPERATURE DATA EBA BOREHOLE #12259-03

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Project: Boston Gold Project
BHP Minerals Canada Ltd.

EBA File No: 0101-96-12259
Borehole No: 11259-03
Thermistor No: String #1049

DATE	TIME	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)
MM/DD/YY	HH:MM:SS	0	-4.5	-7	-9.5	-12
		°C	°C	°C	°C	°C
05/26/96	0:00:00	-0.8	-9.6	-8.2	-8.5	-8.5
05/26/96	12:00:00	0.6	-9.6	-8.2	-8.5	-8.5
05/27/96	0:00:00	-0.3	-9.7	-8.3	-8.5	-8.5
05/27/96	12:00:00	0.9	-9.8	-8.4	-8.5	-8.5
05/28/96	0:00:00	0.4	-9.8	-8.4	-8.5	-8.5
05/28/96	12:00:00	2.8	-9.8	-8.4	-8.6	-8.5
05/29/96	0:00:00	0.2	-9.9	-8.5	-8.5	-8.5
05/29/96	12:00:00	0.1	-9.9	-8.5	-8.6	-8.5
05/30/96	0:00:00	-0.5	-9.9	-8.5	-8.6	-8.5
05/30/96	12:00:00	0.2	-10.0	-8.5	-8.6	-8.6
05/31/96	0:00:00	-0.2	-10.0	-8.6	-8.6	-8.5
05/31/96	12:00:00	0.9	-10.0	-8.6	-8.5	-8.5
6/1/96	0:00:00	0.0	-10.1	-8.6	-8.6	-8.5
6/1/96	12:00:00	2.1	-10.1	-8.6	-8.6	-8.5
6/2/96	0:00:00	0.3	-10.1	-8.7	-8.6	-8.6
6/2/96	12:00:00	1.1	-10.2	-8.7	-8.6	-8.5
6/3/96	0:00:00	0.5	-10.1	-8.7	-8.6	-8.5
6/3/96	12:00:00	4.6	-10.2	-8.7	-8.6	-8.6
6/4/96	0:00:00	0.7	-10.2	-8.7	-8.6	-8.6
6/4/96	12:00:00	0.9	-10.2	-8.8	-8.6	-8.6
6/5/96	0:00:00	-0.5	-10.2	-8.8	-8.6	-8.6
6/5/96	12:00:00	0.2	-10.2	-8.8	-8.6	-8.6
6/6/96	0:00:00	-0.9	-10.2	-8.8	-8.6	-8.6
6/6/96	12:00:00	0.0	-10.2	-8.8	-8.6	-8.5
6/7/96	0:00:00	-0.2	-10.2	-8.8	-8.6	-8.6
6/7/96	12:00:00	2.5	-10.2	-8.8	-8.6	-8.6

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**GROUND TEMPERATURE DATA
EBA BOREHOLE #12259-03**

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Project: Boston Gold Project
BHP Minerals Canada Ltd.

EBA File No: 0101-96-12259
Borehole No: 11259-03
Thermistor No: String #1049

DATE	TIME	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)
MM/DD/YY	HH:MM:SS	0	-4.5	-7	-9.5	-12
		°C	°C	°C	°C	°C
6/8/96	0:00:00	2.0	-10.2	-8.9	-8.6	-8.6
6/8/96	12:00:00	5.0	-10.3	-8.9	-8.7	-8.6
6/9/96	0:00:00	1.9	-10.3	-8.9	-8.6	-8.6
6/9/96	12:00:00	5.9	-10.3	-8.9	-8.7	-8.6
6/10/96	0:00:00	1.8	-10.3	-8.9	-8.7	-8.6
6/10/96	12:00:00	4.3	-10.3	-8.9	-8.7	-8.6
6/11/96	0:00:00	1.8	-10.3	-8.9	-8.7	-8.6
6/11/96	12:00:00	1.7	-10.3	-9.0	-8.7	-8.6
6/12/96	0:00:00	0.5	-10.3	-9.0	-8.7	-8.6
6/12/96	12:00:00	1.5	-10.3	-9.0	-8.7	-8.6
06/13/96	0:00:00	0.0	-10.3	-9.0	-8.7	-8.6
06/13/96	12:00:00	1.7	-10.3	-9.0	-8.7	-8.6
06/14/96	0:00:00	-0.4	-10.3	-9.0	-8.7	-8.6
06/14/96	12:00:00	3.3	-10.3	-9.0	-8.7	-8.6
06/15/96	0:00:00	0.6	-10.3	-9.0	-8.7	-8.6
06/15/96	12:00:00	4.9	-10.3	-9.0	-8.7	-8.6
06/16/96	0:00:00	2.3	-10.3	-9.0	-8.7	-8.6
06/16/96	12:00:00	5.6	-10.3	-9.0	-8.7	-8.6
06/17/96	0:00:00	2.9	-10.2	-9.0	-8.7	-8.6
06/17/96	12:00:00	7.4	-10.3	-9.1	-8.8	-8.6
06/18/96	0:00:00	4.5	-10.3	-9.1	-8.7	-8.6
06/18/96	12:00:00	8.4	-10.3	-9.1	-8.8	-8.6
06/19/96	0:00:00	6.2	-10.2	-9.1	-8.8	-8.6
06/19/96	12:00:00	6.4	-10.2	-9.1	-8.7	-8.6
06/20/96	0:00:00	4.3	-10.2	-9.1	-8.8	-8.6
06/20/96	12:00:00	4.8	-10.2	-9.1	-8.7	-8.6

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**EBA File No: 0101-96-12259
Borehole No: 11259-03
Thermistor No: String #1049**

DATE MM/DD/YY	TIME HH:MM:SS	Depth (m) 0 °C	Depth (m) -4.5 °C	Depth (m) -7 °C	Depth (m) -9.5 °C	Depth (m) -12 °C
06/21/96	0:00:00	2.5	-10.2	-9.1	-8.8	-8.6
06/21/96	12:00:00	7.3	-10.2	-9.1	-8.8	-8.7
06/22/96	0:00:00	4.7	-10.2	-9.1	-8.8	-8.7
06/22/96	12:00:00	9.8	-10.2	-9.2	-8.8	-8.7
06/23/96	0:00:00	6.1	-10.2	-9.1	-8.8	-8.6
06/23/96	12:00:00	11.8	-10.2	-9.2	-8.8	-8.7
06/24/96	0:00:00	8.2	-10.2	-9.2	-8.8	-8.7
06/24/96	12:00:00	13.8	-10.2	-9.2	-8.8	-8.7
06/25/96	0:00:00	9.4	-10.2	-9.2	-8.8	-8.7
06/25/96	12:00:00	14.6	-10.2	-9.2	-8.8	-8.7

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EBA File No: 0101-96-12259
Borehole No: 11259-05
Thermistor No: String #1050

DATE	TIME	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)
MM/DD/YY	HH:MM:SS	0	-0.5	-1	-2	-3	-5	-7.5	-10	-12.5	-15
		°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C
05/22/96	0:00:00	0.0	-4.4	-8.2	-11.6	-12.4	-12.4	-11.2	-10.2	-9.6	-9.2
05/22/96	12:00:00	-0.1	-4.8	-8.3	-11.7	-12.5	-12.5	-11.3	-10.3	-9.6	-9.2
05/23/96	0:00:00	0.3	-5.0	-8.4	-11.8	-12.5	-12.6	-11.4	-10.4	-9.7	-9.3
05/23/96	12:00:00	1.8	-5.0	-8.4	-11.8	-12.6	-12.6	-11.5	-10.4	-9.7	-9.3
05/24/96	0:00:00	0.7	-5.1	-8.4	-11.7	-12.6	-12.6	-11.5	-10.5	-9.7	-9.3
05/24/96	12:00:00	1.0	-5.1	-8.3	-11.7	-12.5	-12.6	-11.5	-10.5	-9.7	-9.3
05/25/96	0:00:00	0.1	-5.0	-8.2	-11.6	-12.5	-12.7	-11.6	-10.5	-9.8	-9.3
05/25/96	12:00:00	0.9	-5.0	-8.2	-11.6	-12.5	-12.7	-11.6	-10.6	-9.8	-9.4
05/26/96	0:00:00	0.5	-5.0	-8.1	-11.5	-12.4	-12.6	-11.6	-10.6	-9.8	-9.4
05/26/96	12:00:00	1.5	-5.0	-8.0	-11.4	-12.4	-12.7	-11.7	-10.6	-9.8	-9.4
05/27/96	0:00:00	1.3	-4.9	-7.9	-11.4	-12.3	-12.6	-11.7	-10.6	-9.8	-9.4
05/27/96	12:00:00	1.4	-4.9	-7.9	-11.3	-12.3	-12.7	-11.7	-10.6	-9.8	-9.4
05/28/96	0:00:00	2.9	-4.8	-7.8	-11.2	-12.2	-12.6	-11.7	-10.6	-9.9	-9.4
05/28/96	12:00:00	3.7	-4.8	-7.7	-11.1	-12.2	-12.7	-11.8	-10.7	-9.9	-9.4
05/29/96	0:00:00	2.4	-4.7	-7.5	-11.1	-12.1	-12.6	-11.7	-10.7	-9.9	-9.4
05/29/96	12:00:00	0.4	-4.6	-7.5	-11.0	-12.0	-12.6	-11.7	-10.7	-9.9	-9.4
05/30/96	0:00:00	-0.1	-4.5	-7.4	-10.9	-12.0	-12.6	-11.8	-10.7	-9.9	-9.4
05/30/96	12:00:00	-0.1	-4.5	-7.3	-10.8	-11.9	-12.5	-11.8	-10.8	-9.9	-9.4
05/31/96	0:00:00	0.6	-4.4	-7.2	-10.7	-11.9	-12.6	-11.8	-10.7	-9.9	-9.5
05/31/96	12:00:00	0.9	-4.3	-7.1	-10.6	-11.8	-12.5	-11.8	-10.8	-9.9	-9.5
6/1/96	0:00:00	1.1	-4.2	-7.0	-10.5	-11.7	-12.5	-11.7	-10.8	-9.9	-9.4
6/1/96	12:00:00	2.4	-4.2	-6.9	-10.5	-11.7	-12.4	-11.8	-10.8	-10.0	-9.4
6/2/96	0:00:00	2.0	-4.1	-6.8	-10.4	-11.6	-12.4	-11.7	-10.8	-10.0	-9.5
6/2/96	12:00:00	0.9	-4.0	-6.8	-10.3	-11.6	-12.4	-11.7	-10.7	-10.0	-9.5
6/3/96	0:00:00	2.8	-4.0	-6.7	-10.2	-11.5	-12.4	-11.8	-10.8	-10.0	-9.5
6/3/96	12:00:00	4.9	-4.0	-6.7	-10.2	-11.4	-12.3	-11.8	-10.8	-10.0	-9.5

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GROUND TEMPERATURE DATA EBA BOREHOLE #12259-05

Project: Boston Gold Project
BHP Minerals Canada Ltd.

EBA File No: 0101-96-12259
Borehole No: 11259-05
Thermistor No: String #1050

DATE	TIME	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)
MM/DD/YY	HH:MM:SS	0	-0.5	-1	-2	-3	-5	-7.5	-10	-12.5	-15
		°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C
6/4/96	0:00:00	3.4	-3.8	-6.6	-10.1	-11.4	-12.3	-11.7	-10.8	-10.0	-9.5
6/4/96	12:00:00	0.9	-3.8	-6.5	-10.0	-11.3	-12.2	-11.7	-10.8	-10.0	-9.5
6/5/96	0:00:00	1.4	-3.7	-6.4	-9.9	-11.3	-12.2	-11.7	-10.8	-10.0	-9.5
6/5/96	12:00:00	0.6	-3.7	-6.3	-9.8	-11.2	-12.2	-11.7	-10.8	-10.0	-9.5
6/6/96	0:00:00	0.1	-3.6	-6.3	-9.8	-11.1	-12.2	-11.7	-10.8	-10.0	-9.5
6/6/96	12:00:00	-0.1	-3.6	-6.2	-9.7	-11.1	-12.1	-11.7	-10.8	-10.0	-9.5
6/7/96	0:00:00	1.3	-3.5	-6.1	-9.6	-11.0	-12.0	-11.7	-10.8	-10.0	-9.5
6/7/96	12:00:00	2.2	-3.5	-6.1	-9.6	-10.9	-12.0	-11.7	-10.9	-10.0	-9.5
6/8/96	0:00:00	4.2	-3.4	-6.0	-9.5	-10.9	-12.0	-11.7	-10.8	-10.1	-9.5
6/8/96	12:00:00	4.6	-3.4	-5.9	-9.4	-10.8	-12.0	-11.7	-10.9	-10.1	-9.6
6/9/96	0:00:00	3.9	-3.3	-5.9	-9.3	-10.8	-11.9	-11.7	-10.8	-10.0	-9.5
6/9/96	12:00:00	5.9	-3.2	-5.8	-9.3	-10.7	-11.9	-11.6	-10.9	-10.0	-9.5
6/10/96	0:00:00	4.1	-3.2	-5.8	-9.2	-10.6	-11.9	-11.7	-10.9	-10.1	-9.5
6/10/96	12:00:00	3.9	-3.2	-5.7	-9.2	-10.6	-11.9	-11.7	-10.9	-10.1	-9.5
6/11/96	0:00:00	3.0	-3.1	-5.6	-9.1	-10.5	-11.8	-11.6	-10.9	-10.1	-9.5
6/11/96	12:00:00	2.1	-3.0	-5.6	-9.0	-10.4	-11.7	-11.7	-10.9	-10.1	-9.6
6/12/96	0:00:00	1.5	-3.0	-5.5	-9.0	-10.4	-11.7	-11.7	-10.9	-10.1	-9.6
6/12/96	12:00:00	1.3	-2.9	-5.4	-8.9	-10.3	-11.7	-11.6	-10.9	-10.1	-9.6
06/13/96	0:00:00	1.2	-2.9	-5.4	-8.9	-10.3	-11.7	-11.7	-10.9	-10.1	-9.6
06/13/96	12:00:00	1.5	-2.8	-5.3	-8.8	-10.2	-11.6	-11.6	-10.9	-10.1	-9.6
06/14/96	0:00:00	1.4	-2.7	-5.2	-8.7	-10.2	-11.6	-11.6	-10.8	-10.1	-9.6
06/14/96	12:00:00	3.8	-2.7	-5.2	-8.7	-10.1	-11.5	-11.6	-10.9	-10.1	-9.6
06/15/96	0:00:00	3.2	-2.7	-5.1	-8.6	-10.1	-11.5	-11.6	-10.9	-10.1	-9.6
06/15/96	12:00:00	5.1	-2.6	-5.1	-8.5	-10.0	-11.5	-11.6	-10.9	-10.1	-9.6
06/16/96	0:00:00	4.6	-2.6	-5.0	-8.5	-9.9	-11.4	-11.5	-10.9	-10.1	-9.6
06/16/96	12:00:00	5.5	-2.6	-5.0	-8.4	-9.9	-11.4	-11.5	-10.9	-10.1	-9.6

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EBA File No: 0101-96-12259
Borehole No: 11259-05
Thermistor No: String #1050

DATE	TIME	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)
MM/DD/YY	HH:MM:SS	0	-0.5	-1	-2	-3	-5	-7.5	-10	-12.5	-15
		°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C
06/17/96	0:00:00	5.0	-2.5	-4.9	-8.4	-9.8	-11.4	-11.5	-10.9	-10.2	-9.6
06/17/96	12:00:00	6.7	-2.5	-4.9	-8.3	-9.8	-11.3	-11.5	-10.9	-10.2	-9.6
06/18/96	0:00:00	8.0	-2.4	-4.8	-8.2	-9.7	-11.3	-11.5	-10.8	-10.1	-9.6
06/18/96	12:00:00	8.2	-2.4	-4.8	-8.2	-9.7	-11.3	-11.5	-10.9	-10.2	-9.6
06/19/96	0:00:00	8.0	-2.3	-4.7	-8.1	-9.6	-11.2	-11.5	-10.9	-10.2	-9.6
06/19/96	12:00:00	6.4	-2.2	-4.7	-8.1	-9.6	-11.2	-11.5	-10.9	-10.2	-9.7
06/20/96	0:00:00	6.1	-2.1	-4.6	-8.0	-9.5	-11.1	-11.4	-10.8	-10.2	-9.6
06/20/96	12:00:00	4.3	-2.1	-4.5	-8.0	-9.5	-11.1	-11.4	-10.9	-10.1	-9.6
06/21/96	0:00:00	4.8	-2.0	-4.4	-7.9	-9.4	-11.1	-11.4	-10.9	-10.2	-9.7
06/21/96	12:00:00	6.7	-2.0	-4.4	-7.9	-9.4	-11.0	-11.4	-10.9	-10.2	-9.7
06/22/96	0:00:00	7.5	-1.9	-4.3	-7.8	-9.3	-11.0	-11.4	-10.9	-10.2	-9.7
06/22/96	12:00:00	8.3	-1.8	-4.2	-7.8	-9.3	-10.9	-11.4	-10.8	-10.2	-9.7
06/23/96	0:00:00	9.3	-1.7	-4.2	-7.7	-9.2	-10.9	-11.3	-10.8	-10.2	-9.7
06/23/96	12:00:00	10.2	-1.7	-4.1	-7.6	-9.2	-10.9	-11.3	-10.9	-10.2	-9.7
06/24/96	0:00:00	10.7	-1.6	-4.0	-7.6	-9.1	-10.9	-11.3	-10.8	-10.2	-9.7
06/24/96	12:00:00	11.9	-1.5	-3.9	-7.5	-9.0	-10.8	-11.3	-10.9	-10.2	-9.7
06/25/96	0:00:00	12.0	-1.4	-3.8	-7.5	-9.0	-10.8	-11.3	-10.9	-10.2	-9.7

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Project: Boston Gold Project
BHP Minerals Canada Ltd.

EBA File No: 0101-96-12259

Borehole No: 11259-06

Thermistor No: String #1051

DATE MM/DD/YY	TIME HH:MM:SS	Depth (m) -0.1 °C	Depth (m) -0.6 °C	Depth (m) -1.6 °C	Depth (m) -2.6 °C	Depth (m) -4.6 °C	Depth (m) -7.1 °C	Depth (m) -9.6 °C	Depth (m) -12.1 °C	Depth (m) -14.6 °C
05/26/96	0:00:00	4.3	0.2	-4.2	-8.2	-8.0	-5.2	-6.1	-5.5	-7.4
05/26/96	12:00:00	3.6	0.4	-4.6	-8.6	-8.5	-6.0	-6.6	-6.1	-7.5
05/27/96	0:00:00	6.3	0.5	-4.8	-8.8	-8.9	-6.5	-6.9	-6.5	-7.5
05/27/96	12:00:00	5.2	0.7	-4.9	-8.9	-9.3	-7.0	-7.1	-6.7	-7.6
05/28/96	0:00:00	8.8	0.8	-5.0	-9.0	-9.5	-7.3	-7.3	-6.9	-7.6
05/28/96	12:00:00	7.9	1.1	-5.0	-9.0	-9.7	-7.6	-7.4	-7.1	-7.7
05/29/96	0:00:00	9.6	1.3	-5.0	-9.0	-9.8	-7.8	-7.5	-7.2	-7.7
05/29/96	12:00:00	5.8	1.6	-5.0	-9.0	-9.9	-8.0	-7.6	-7.3	-7.8
05/30/96	0:00:00	4.0	1.4	-5.0	-9.0	-10.0	-8.2	-7.7	-7.4	-7.8
05/30/96	12:00:00	2.8	1.0	-5.0	-8.9	-10.1	-8.3	-7.8	-7.5	-7.8
05/31/96	0:00:00	4.4	0.7	-5.0	-8.9	-10.2	-8.4	-7.9	-7.5	-7.8
05/31/96	12:00:00	3.6	0.8	-5.1	-8.8	-10.2	-8.5	-7.9	-7.5	-7.8
6/1/96	0:00:00	5.4	0.7	-5.0	-8.8	-10.2	-8.6	-8.0	-7.6	-7.8
6/1/96	12:00:00	5.4	0.9	-5.0	-8.7	-10.3	-8.7	-8.0	-7.7	-7.8
6/2/96	0:00:00	7.8	0.9	-5.0	-8.7	-10.3	-8.7	-8.1	-7.7	-7.8
6/2/96	12:00:00	5.1	1.1	-5.0	-8.6	-10.3	-8.8	-8.1	-7.7	-7.9
6/3/96	0:00:00	8.7	1.0	-5.0	-8.5	-10.3	-8.9	-8.1	-7.8	-7.9
6/3/96	12:00:00	8.4	1.2	-5.0	-8.5	-10.4	-8.9	-8.2	-7.8	-7.9
6/4/96	0:00:00	10.9	1.2	-4.9	-8.4	-10.3	-8.9	-8.2	-7.8	-7.9
6/4/96	12:00:00	5.8	1.4	-4.9	-8.3	-10.4	-9.0	-8.2	-7.9	-7.9
6/5/96	0:00:00	7.4	1.1	-4.8	-8.3	-10.4	-9.0	-8.2	-7.9	-7.9
6/5/96	12:00:00	4.7	1.0	-4.8	-8.3	-10.4	-9.1	-8.3	-7.9	-7.9
6/6/96	0:00:00	4.6	0.8	-4.8	-8.2	-10.4	-9.1	-8.4	-7.9	-7.9
6/6/96	12:00:00	2.9	0.7	-4.7	-8.1	-10.4	-9.1	-8.4	-8.0	-8.0
6/7/96	0:00:00	5.6	0.5	-4.7	-8.1	-10.3	-9.2	-8.4	-8.0	-7.9
6/7/96	12:00:00	5.0	0.6	-4.6	-8.0	-10.4	-9.2	-8.4	-8.0	-8.0

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Project: Boston Gold Project
BHP Minerals Canada Ltd.

EBA File No: 0101-96-12259
Borehole No: 11259-06
Thermistor No: String #1051

DATE	TIME	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)	Depth (m)
MM/DD/YY	HH:MM:SS	-0.1	-0.6	-1.6	-2.6	-4.6	-7.1	-9.6	-12.1	-14.6
		°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C
6/8/96	0:00:00	9.3	0.7	-4.6	-7.9	-10.3	-9.2	-8.4	-8.0	-7.9
6/8/96	12:00:00	8.7	0.9	-4.5	-7.9	-10.3	-9.2	-8.4	-8.0	-8.0
6/9/96	0:00:00	9.9	1.0	-4.5	-7.8	-10.3	-9.3	-8.4	-8.0	-8.0
6/9/96	12:00:00	9.1	1.0	-4.5	-7.8	-10.3	-9.3	-8.5	-8.1	-8.0
6/10/96	0:00:00	11.0	1.1	-4.4	-7.7	-10.3	-9.3	-8.5	-8.0	-8.0
6/10/96	12:00:00	8.1	1.2	-4.3	-7.6	-10.3	-9.3	-8.5	-8.1	-8.0
6/11/96	0:00:00	8.8	1.1	-4.3	-7.6	-10.2	-9.4	-8.5	-8.1	-8.0
6/11/96	12:00:00	6.0	1.1	-4.2	-7.5	-10.2	-9.4	-8.5	-8.1	-8.0
6/12/96	0:00:00	5.6	0.9	-4.2	-7.5	-10.2	-9.4	-8.5	-8.1	-8.0
6/12/96	12:00:00	4.1	0.7	-4.1	-7.4	-10.1	-9.4	-8.5	-8.1	-8.0
06/13/96	0:00:00	5.7	0.6	-4.1	-7.3	-10.1	-9.4	-8.5	-8.1	-8.0
06/13/96	12:00:00	4.0	0.6	-4.0	-7.3	-10.1	-9.4	-8.5	-8.1	-8.0
06/14/96	0:00:00	5.7	0.5	-4.0	-7.2	-10.1	-9.4	-8.6	-8.1	-8.0
06/14/96	12:00:00	5.3	0.5	-4.0	-7.2	-10.1	-9.4	-8.6	-8.2	-8.1
06/15/96	0:00:00	8.5	0.6	-3.9	-7.1	-10.0	-9.4	-8.6	-8.2	-8.0
06/15/96	12:00:00	7.4	0.7	-3.9	-7.0	-10.0	-9.4	-8.6	-8.2	-8.0
06/16/96	0:00:00	11.3	0.8	-3.8	-6.9	-10.0	-9.4	-8.6	-8.2	-8.0
06/16/96	12:00:00	8.9	1.0	-3.8	-6.9	-10.0	-9.5	-8.7	-8.2	-8.1
06/17/96	0:00:00	11.0	1.0	-3.7	-6.9	-9.9	-9.4	-8.6	-8.2	-8.1
06/17/96	12:00:00	10.0	1.1	-3.6	-6.8	-9.9	-9.4	-8.6	-8.2	-8.1
06/18/96	0:00:00	13.8	1.2	-3.6	-6.8	-9.9	-9.5	-8.7	-8.2	-8.1
06/18/96	12:00:00	12.0	1.4	-3.6	-6.7	-9.8	-9.4	-8.7	-8.2	-8.1
06/19/96	0:00:00	15.2	1.5	-3.5	-6.6	-9.8	-9.5	-8.7	-8.2	-8.1
06/19/96	12:00:00	11.4	1.7	-3.5	-6.6	-9.8	-9.5	-8.7	-8.3	-8.1
06/20/96	0:00:00	12.6	1.7	-3.4	-6.5	-9.8	-9.5	-8.7	-8.3	-8.1
06/20/96	12:00:00	9.2	1.7	-3.4	-6.4	-9.7	-9.5	-8.7	-8.3	-8.1

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DATE MM/DD/YY	TIME HH:MM:SS	Depth (m) -0.1 °C	Depth (m) -0.6 °C	Depth (m) -1.6 °C	Depth (m) -2.6 °C	Depth (m) -4.6 °C	Depth (m) -7.1 °C	Depth (m) -9.6 °C	Depth (m) -12.1 °C	Depth (m) -14.6 °C
06/21/96	0:00:00	10.5	1.6	-3.3	-6.4	-9.7	-9.5	-8.7	-8.3	-8.1
06/21/96	12:00:00	9.1	1.6	-3.3	-6.3	-9.7	-9.5	-8.7	-8.3	-8.1
06/22/96	0:00:00	13.1	1.5	-3.3	-6.3	-9.7	-9.5	-8.8	-8.3	-8.1
06/22/96	12:00:00	11.0	1.7	-3.3	-6.2	-9.7	-9.5	-8.8	-8.3	-8.1
06/23/96	0:00:00	15.3	1.9	-3.2	-6.2	-9.6	-9.5	-8.8	-8.3	-8.1
06/23/96	12:00:00	13.2	2.2	-3.2	-6.2	-9.6	-9.5	-8.8	-8.3	-8.1
06/24/96	0:00:00	17.2	2.4	-3.1	-6.1	-9.5	-9.5	-8.8	-8.3	-8.1
06/24/96	12:00:00	15.3	2.8	-3.1	-6.1	-9.5	-9.5	-8.8	-8.3	-8.1
06/25/96	0:00:00	17.9	3.0	-3.0	-6.0	-9.5	-9.5	-8.8	-8.3	-8.1