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NORTHEAN KYANITE MINES LIMITED

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April 14th, 1955

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Balance Sheet

December 31, 1957

ASSETS

Mining Properties			\$750,000.00
Deferred Development			71,972.18
Organization Expense			2,265.00
			\$824,237.18
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Advances from Hoyle Mining Co. Ltd.			\$ 20,232.18
Capital:		•	
Authorised 3,500,000 sha Issued: Incorporators Shares	res at \$1 pa	r value \$ 5.00	
For Properties	750,000	\$ 750,000.00	
For expenses	540,000	\$ 540,000.00	
	1,290,005	\$1290,005.00	
Less Discount		486,000.00	804,005.00
			\$824,237.18
DETAILS OF DEFERRED DEVELOPMENT			
December 31, 1957			
		Year 1957	Total to date
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Diamond drilling - 10,199 feet	\$ -	\$ 28,388.86
Core shed	-	681.81
Bulk sampling and Trucking	-	8,174.36
Engineering Fees and Expenses	1,061.88	12,486.08
Ore Testing and Marketing Research	3,223.01	11,947.90
Assaying	-	1,420.00
Cost of Transfering claims	-	1,059.30
Legal fees	-	500.00
Miner's licence and taxes	130.00	893.27
Sundry Expenses	11.15	311.40
Transfer Agent Fees 4	250.00	785.20
Patenting 22 claims	5,324.00	5,324.00
	10,000.04	71,972.18

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Feb. 14th to 26th, 1959

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- 1. Magnetic separator tests
- 2. Flotation trials.
- 3. Conversion of kyanite to mullite.
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- 5. Plant visitation.

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I. (a) Test results

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Low grade (Ist Pass	18	300	78.78
2nd Pass	18	150	69.41
3rd Pass	18	150	66.69
4th Pass	18	150	65.04
High Grade Ist pass	19	300	72.60
2nd Pass	19	150	67.27
3rd Pass	19	150	65.95
4th Pass	1.9	150	64.54

Feed rate-Lab machine-1.1T.P.H Commercial -11.0 T.P.H

Feed size - 32 mesh

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Separation test with feeds coarser than 32 mesh were not successful.

A sink-float separation of the 4th pass high-grade non-magnetic gave a kynaite concentrate analyzing as follows:

	8	CO.1/A
Silica	37.64	S O'GIV
alumina	60.21	- TEARIO
Fe2°3	0.47	~ P. ~ O. V
CaO	0.42	10,4,04
MnO	0.21	L'ALALICE
Na2O	0.08	(40, 50)
K2O	0.15	, 40 ,
TiO2	0.21	
L.O.I.	0.70	

I. (b) Flotation trials:

The non-mags from the high-grade separator tests were subjected to preliminary flotation trials at Lurgi. Using 1 roughing and 2 cleaning stages, the kyanite was readily floated from the quartz. Reagents, to rougher cell only, were .5#/ton oleic acid and Na2Co3 to maintain a Ph. of 8.

Additional flotation trials will be conducted at Nephton.

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I (d) Market investigations:

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Frank and Schulte are suppliers of raw material to the ceramic industry and incidentally expect to include nepheline syenite from Norway by 1961 as one of their imported raw materials.

Mr. Detering insisted that the German market would be for mullite only, and further any such mullite must compete both as to quality and the price with mullite from Indian Kyanite (\$87.00 delivered + \$14.00 for calcining).

India, however, is not considered a reliable source, deliveries have been irregular under a quote system and quality has not been consistent. An alternative material would be looked upon with favour.

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Mr. Detering estimated the present major market tonnages to be:

U. K. 10.000 T.P.Y. Germany 10,000 T.P.Y. 10,000 T.P.Y. U. S. 40,000 to 50,000 T.P.Y.

The common grain sizes used in Germany are 0 to lmm; 1 to 3mm and 3 to 6mm, 0 to .6 mm being the most used. Any of these could be crused from a } dia. pellet provided angular, sharp particles resulted.

Kenya kyanite was considered not to yield a sufficiently dense mullite, nor a suitably shaped particle.

A sensible evaluation of the probably market penetration of our mullite could only be made by providing 10 to 20 tons of product for distribution to potential customers.

I (e) Plant Visitation.

A visit to the refractory plant at Hettenleidelheim was made in connection with the program for kyanite.

This plant was of interest for several reasons, one, it produced high temperature refractories, two, a Lurgi designed sintering process was employed, and three, it was described as producing synthetic mullite. Synthetic mullites are known to be making serious inroads into the business formerly held captive by the kyanite. It was interesting to note that obviously the term synthetic mullite is applied to a wide variety of processes and in this case was not probably strictly accurate.

The raw materials, clay (35% to 39% Al2°3-dry basis) high purity alumina and coke breeze were mixed and burned at 1600°C in a batch type sintering machine. Fines and unburned mix was screened from the clinker, the clinker crushed and mixed with fir clay, dry pressed (5% moisture) into the required shapes and dried by using waste gases from the tunnel kiln. The dried shapes were then fired (5 day cyle) in the tunnel kiln. The tunnel kiln cross section was 5' X 8' and the length 395', the hot zone (2800°F) was 130' long.

The quality of brick was described as having a P.C.E of 39 and good for a 2 KG load at 3000°F. The P.C.E quoted, if the basis is the same, would appear superior to that established for the mullite from Canadian kyanite.

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U.K. 10,000 T.P.Y. Germany 10,000 T.P.Y. Japan 10,000 T.P.Y. U.S. 40,000 to 50,000 T.P.Y.

The common grain sizes used in Germany are 0 to 1 m.m.; 1 to 3 m.m. and 3 to 6 m.m., 0 to .6 m.m. being the most used. Any of these could be crushed from a 1/2" dis. pellet provided angular, sharp particles resulted.

Kenya kyanite was considered not to yield a safficiently dense mullite, nor a suitably shaped particle.

A sensible evaluation of the probable market penetration of our smallite could only be made by providing 10 to 20 tons of product for distribution to potential customers.

I. (e) Plant Visitation.

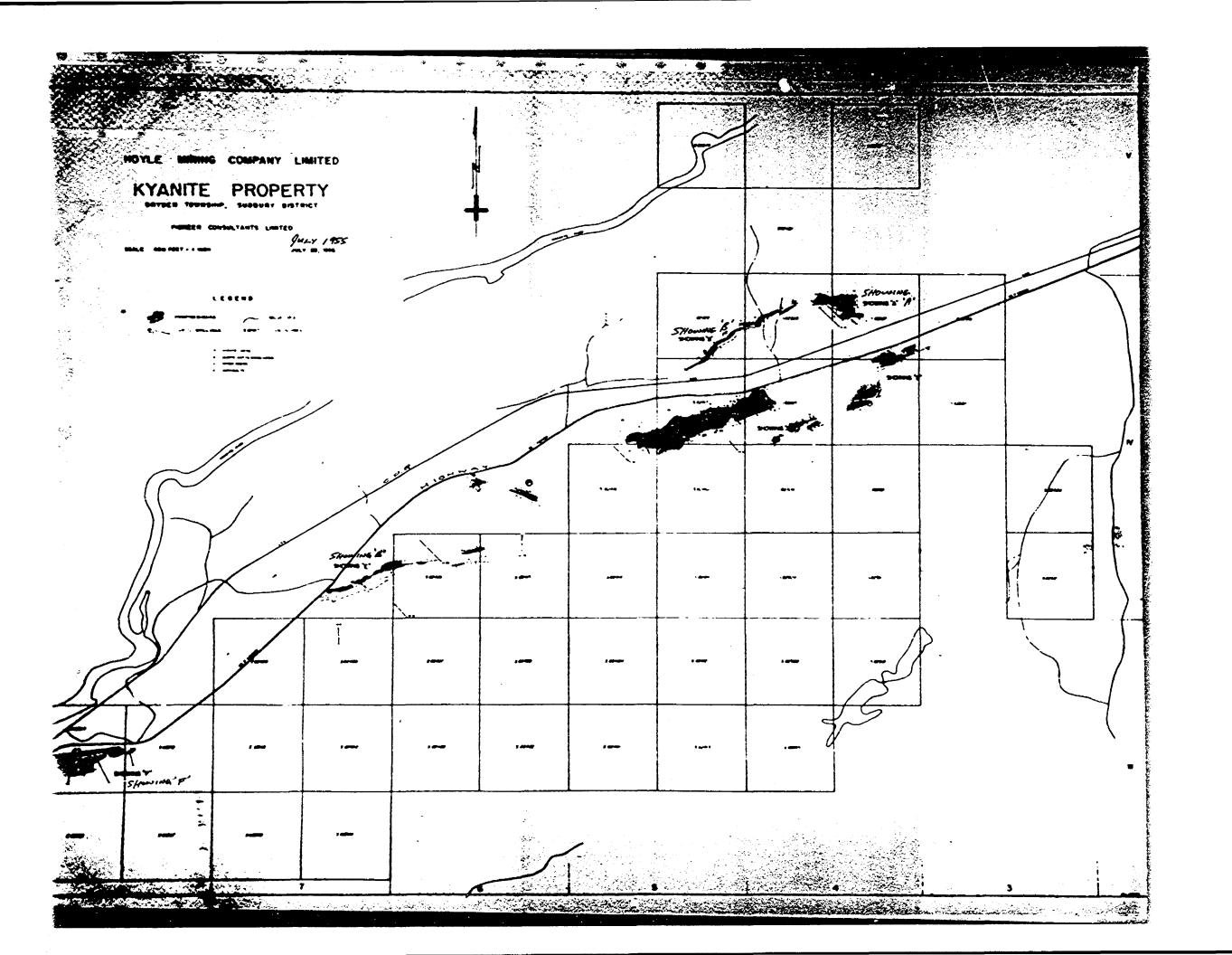
A visit to a refractory plant at Hettenleidelheim was made in connection with the program for kyanite.

This plant was of interest for several reasons, one, it produced high temperature refractories, two, a Lurgi designed sintering process was employed, and three, it was described as producing synthetic mullite. Synthetic mullites are known to be making serious inroads into the business formerly held captive by the kyanites. It was interesting to note that obviously the term synthetic mullite is applied to a wide variety of processes and in this case was probably not strictly accurate.

The rew materials, clay, (35% to 39% Al203 - dry basis), high purity alumina and coke breeze were mixed and burned at 1600°C in a batch type sintering machine. Fines and unburned mix were screened from the clinker, the clinker crushed and mixed with fire clay, dry pressed (5% moisture) into the required shapes and dried by using vaste gases from the tunnel kiln. The dried shapes were then fired (5 day cycle) in the tunnel kiln. The tunnel kiln cross section was 5° x 8° and the length 395°, the hot zone (2800°F) was 130° long.

The quality of brick was described as having a P.C.E. of 39 and good for a 2 KG load at 3000°F. The P.C.E. quoted, if the basis is the same, would appear superior to that established for the sullite from Canadian kyanite.

The process was obviously very simple and the operating cost extremely low, if the quality is indeed satisfactory, one could not compete with the methods contemplated for the conversion of Canadian kyanite. Frank & Schulte, the raw materials agents, described the brick as inferior and not competitive with brick made with mullite from Indian kyanite.



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April 8th, 1958

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Dr. J. E. Thomson Department of Mines Queen's Park Toronto Ontario

Dear Dr. Thomson:

Mr. W. C. Martin of this office tells me that you would like a summary of the situation on the Kyanite deposits in Dryden Township, controlled by Hoyle Mining Company Limited.

I think the report just prepared for the Shareholders will contain the information you require. If not, please let me know, and I will do my best to furnish it. Actually, on the property, nothing beyond assessment drilling has been attempted.

Yours very truly,

NORTHERN KYANITE MINES LIMITED

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M. J. Tamplin Metallurgical Engineer

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Apr.10,1958

Mr. M.J. Tamplin, Metallurgical Engineer, Northern Kyanite, Ltd., 360 Bay Street, Toronto 1.

Dear Mr. Tamplin:

I want to thank you for sending me a copy of your report on the kyanite deposits of Dryden township. This is just what I wanted. With your permission, we will reproduce your report in a geological report on these deposits to be published in 1958 or 1959 by this Department.

The property map accompanying your report does not show the location of "Showing C" very clearly. As we are going to mark this on our geological map I want to be sure of the correct location. My recollection from a hasty visit to the property is that Showing C on your map is the largest area shown in black south of the highway. Possibly someone at your office could call me, at Nm.3-1211, extension 2-1283, and let me know if this is correct.

Your help in this matter is much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

J.M. Thomson Asst.Provincial Geologist

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May 16, 1961

Mr. J. E. Thomson, Department of Mines, Province of Ontario, Parliament Buildings, Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Thomson:

Referring to our telephone conversation of yesterday, we are pleased to enclose a report by Messrs. H. Maidment, K. Leidhold and J. J. Mather of their trip to Germany in 1959 of their investigations re kyanite covering the following subjects:

- 1. Magnetic separator tests;
- 2. Flotation trials;
- 3. Conversion of kyanite to mullite;
- 4. Market investigations;
- 5. Plant visitation

Yours very truly,

NORTHERN KYANITE MINES LIMITED

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