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SUMMARY

This report describes the logistics and results of a DIGHEM^{III} airborne geophysical survey carried out for Golden Peaks Resources Ltd., over a property in the Savant Lake area, Ontario. This property has been designated the Cat Track Property.

The purpose of the survey was to detect zones of conductive mineralization and to provide information that could be used to map the geology and structure of the survey area. This was accomplished by using a DIGHEM^{III} multi-coil, multi-frequency electromagnetic system, supplemented by a high sensitivity Cesium magnetometer and a four-channel VLF receiver. The information from these sensors was processed to produce maps which display the magnetic and conductive properties of the survey area. An electronic navigation system, operating in the UHF band, ensured accurate positioning of the geophysical data with respect to the base maps.

The EM survey detected a few discrete bedrock conductors and several anomalies of possible bedrock origin. Some of these correlate with magnetic anomalies.

The magnetic survey has mapped a suite of linear, ENE trending units as well as other strike-limited bodies which

appear to have been structurally disrupted.

Areas of interest may be assigned priorities on the basis of supporting geophysical, geochemical and/or geological information. After initial investigations have been carried out, it may be necessary to re-evaluate the remaining anomalies based on information acquired from the follow-up program.



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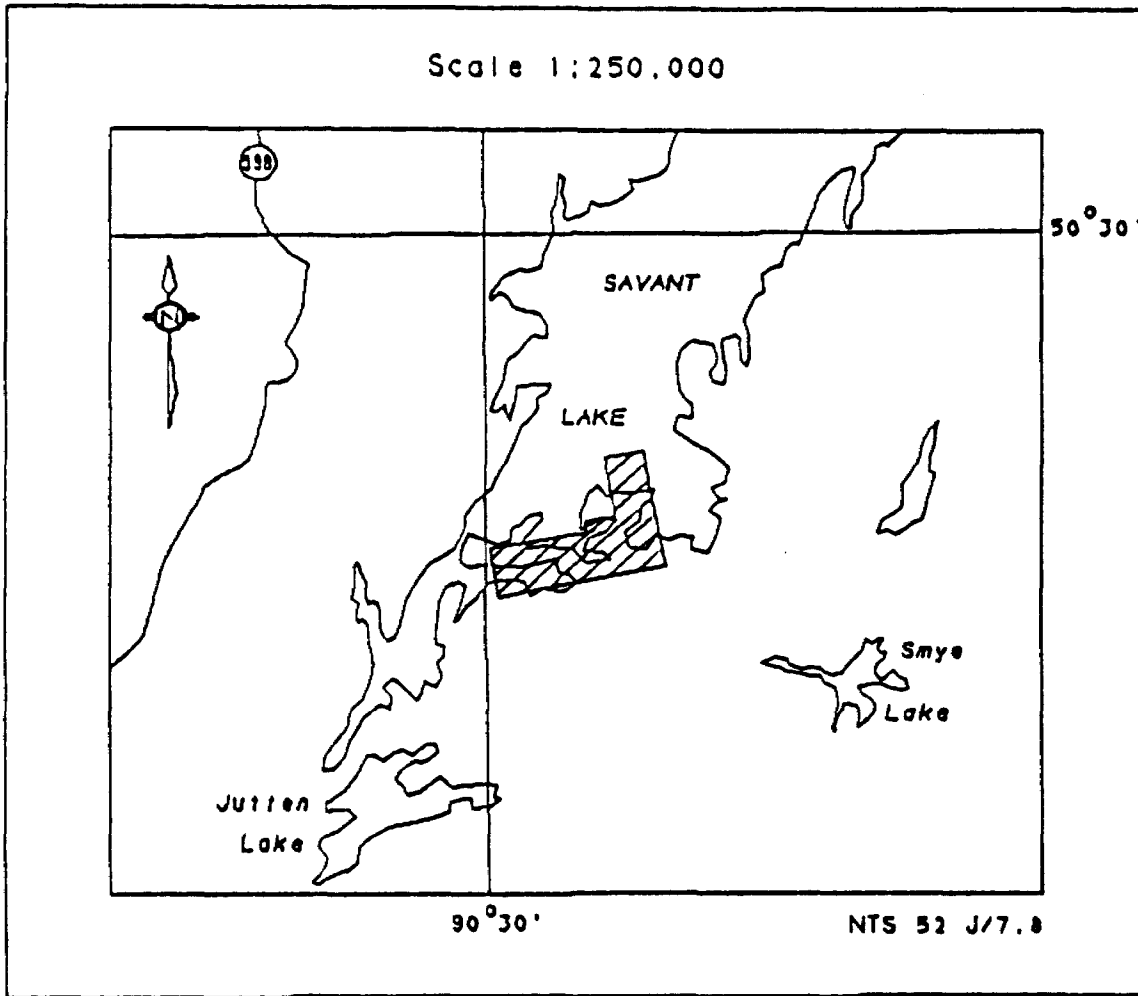


FIGURE 1
THE SURVEY AREA

INTRODUCTION

A DIGHEM^{III} electromagnetic/resistivity/magnetic/VLF survey was flown for Golden Peaks Resources Ltd., on February 14, 1989, over a survey block in the Savant Lake area, Ontario. This area is located on NTS map sheet 52 J/8. (See Figure 1).

Survey coverage consisted of approximately 150 line-km, including two tie lines. Flight lines were flown in an azimuthal direction of 175°/355° with a line separation of 100 metres.

The survey employed the DIGHEM^{III} electromagnetic system. Ancillary equipment consisted of a magnetometer, radio altimeter, video camera, analog and digital recorders, a VLF receiver and an electronic navigation system. Details on the survey equipment are given in Section 2.

The instrumentation was installed in an Aerospatiale AS350B turbine helicopter (Registration CG-EPH) which was provided by Peace Helicopters Ltd. The helicopter flew at an average airspeed of 105 km/h with an EM bird height of approximately 30 m.

Section 2 also provides details on the data channels,

their respective sensitivities, and the navigation/flight path recovery procedure. Noise levels of less than 2 ppm are generally maintained for wind speeds up to 35 km/h. Higher winds may cause the system to be grounded because excessive bird swinging produces difficulties in flying the helicopter. The swinging results from the 5 m² of area which is presented by the bird to broadside gusts.

SURVEY EQUIPMENT

This section provides a brief description of the geophysical instruments used to acquire the survey data:

Electromagnetic System

Model: DIGHEM^{III}

Type: Towed bird, symmetric dipole configuration operated at a nominal survey altitude of 30 metres. Coil separation is 8 metres.

Coil orientations/frequencies: coaxial / 900 Hz
coplanar/ 900 Hz
coplanar/ 7,200 Hz

Channels recorded: 3 inphase channels
3 quadrature channels
2 monitor channels

Sensitivity: 0.2 ppm at 900 Hz
0.4 ppm at 7,200 Hz

Sample rate: 10 per second

The electromagnetic system utilizes a multi-coil coaxial/coplanar technique to energize conductors in different directions. The coaxial transmitter coil is vertical with its axis in the flight direction. The coplanar coils are horizontal. The secondary fields are sensed simultaneously by means of receiver coils which are maximum coupled to their respective transmitter coils. The system

yields an inphase and a quadrature channel from each transmitter-receiver coil-pair.

Magnetometer

Model: Picodas 3340
Type: Optically pumped Cesium vapour
Sensitivity: 0.01 nT
Sample rate: 10 per second

The magnetometer sensor is towed in a bird 15 m below the helicopter.

Magnetic Base Station

Model: Geometrics G-826A
Type: Digital recording proton precession
Sensitivity: 0.50 nT
Sample rate: 0.2 per second

An Epson recorder is operated in conjunction with the base station magnetometer to record the diurnal variations of the earth's magnetic field. The clock of the base station is synchronized with that of the airborne system to permit subsequent removal of diurnal drift.

VLF System

Manufacturer: Herz Industries Ltd.

Type: Totem-2A

Sensitivity: 0.1%

Stations: Annapolis, Maryland; NSS, 21.4 kHz

The VLF receiver measures the total field and vertical quadrature components of the secondary VLF field. Signals from two separate transmitters can be measured simultaneously. The VLF sensor is towed in a bird 10 m below the helicopter.

Radio Altimeter

Manufacturer: Honeywell/Sperry

Type: AA 220

Sensitivity: 1 ft

The radio altimeter measures the vertical distance between the helicopter and the ground. This information is used in the processing algorithm which determines conductor depth.

Analog Recorder

Manufacturer: RMS Instruments
Type: GR33 dot-matrix graphics recorder
Resolution: 4x4 dots/mm
Speed: 1.5 mm/sec

The analog profiles were recorded on chart paper in the aircraft during the survey. Table 2-1 lists the geophysical data channels and the vertical scale of each profile.

Digital Data Acquisition System

Manufacturer: RMS Instruments
Type: DAS 8
Tape Deck: RMS TCR-12, 6400 bpi, tape cartridge recorder

The digital data were used to generate several computed parameters. Both measured and computed parameters were plotted as "digital profiles" during data processing. These parameters are shown in Table 2-2.

In Table 2-2, the log resistivity scale of 0.06 decade/mm means that the resistivity changes by an order of magnitude in 16.5 mm. The resistivities at 0, 33 and 67 mm up from the bottom of the digital profile are respectively 1, 100 and 10,000 ohm-m.

Table 2-1. The Analog Profiles

Channel Name	Parameter	Scale units/mm	Designation on digital profile
CX1I	coaxial inphase (900 Hz)	2.5 ppm	CXI (900 Hz)
CX1Q	coaxial quad (900 Hz)	2.5 ppm	CXQ (900 Hz)
CP2I	coplanar inphase (900 Hz)	2.5 ppm	CPI (900 Hz)
CP2Q	coplanar quad (900 Hz)	2.5 ppm	CPQ (900 Hz)
CP3I	coplanar inphase (7200 Hz)	5 ppm	CPI (7200 Hz)
CP3Q	coplanar quad (7200 Hz)	5 ppm	CPQ (7200 Hz)
ALT	altimeter	3 m	ALT
VF1T	VLF-total: primary stn.	5%	
VF1Q	VLF-quad: primary stn.	5%	
VF2T	VLF-total: secondary stn.	5%	
VF2Q	VLF-quad: secondary stn.	5%	
CMGC	magnetics, coarse	25 nT	MAG
CMGF	magnetics, fine	2.5 nT	
CXS	sferics monitor		CXS

Table 2-2. The Digital Profiles

Channel Name (Freq)	Observed parameters	Scale units/mm
MAG	magnetics	10 nT
ALT	bird height	6 m
CXI (900 Hz)	vertical coaxial coil-pair inphase	2 ppm
CXQ (900 Hz)	vertical coaxial coil-pair quadrature	2 ppm
CXS	ambient noise monitor (coaxial receiver)	
CPI (900 Hz)	horizontal coplanar coil-pair inphase	2 ppm
CPQ (900 Hz)	horizontal coplanar coil-pair quadrature	2 ppm
CPI (7200 Hz)	horizontal coplanar coil-pair inphase	4 ppm
CPQ (7200 Hz)	horizontal coplanar coil-pair quadrature	4 ppm
<u>Computed Parameters</u>		
DIFI (900 Hz)	difference function inphase from CXI and CPI	2 ppm
DIFQ (900 Hz)	difference function quadrature from CXQ and CPQ	2 ppm
CDT	conductance	1 grade
RES (900 Hz)	log resistivity	.06 decade
RES (7200 Hz)	log resistivity	.06 decade
DP (900 Hz)	apparent depth	6 m
DP (7200 Hz)	apparent depth	6 m

Tracking Camera

Type: Panasonic Video
Model: AG 2400/WVCD132

Fiducial numbers are recorded continuously and are displayed on the margin of each image. This procedure ensures accurate correlation of analog and digital data with respect to visible features on the ground.

Navigation System

Model: Del Norte 547
Type: UHF electronic positioning system
Sensitivity: 1 m
Sample rate: 0.5 per second

The navigation system uses ground based transponder stations which transmit distance information back to the helicopter. The ground stations are set up well away from the survey area and are positioned such that the signals cross the survey block at an angle between 30° and 150°. After site selection, a baseline is flown at right angles to a line drawn through the transmitter sites to establish an arbitrary coordinate system for the survey area. The onboard Central Processing Unit takes any two transponder distances and determines the helicopter position relative to these two ground stations in cartesian coordinates.

The cartesian coordinates are transformed to UTM coordinates during data processing. This is accomplished by correlating a number of prominent topographical locations with the navigational data points. The use of numerous visual tie points serves two purposes: to accurately relate the navigation data to the map sheet and to minimize location errors which might result from distortions in uncontrolled photomosaic base maps.

PRODUCTS AND PROCESSING TECHNIQUES

The following products are available from the survey data. Those which are not part of the survey contract may be acquired later. Refer to Table 3-1 for a summary of the maps which accompany this report, some of which may be sent under separate cover. Most parameters can be displayed as contours, profiles, or in colour.

Base Maps

Base maps of the survey area have been prepared from published topographic maps although photomosaics can also be used. Topographic maps provide an accurate, distortion-free base which facilitates correlation of the navigation data to the UTM grid. Photomosaics are useful for visual reference and for subsequent flight path recovery, but usually contain scale distortions. Orthophotos are ideal, but their cost and the time required to produce them, usually precludes their use as base maps.

Electromagnetic Anomalies

Anomalous electromagnetic responses are selected and analysed by computer to provide a preliminary electromagnetic anomaly map. This preliminary EM map is used, by the

Table 3-1 Plots Available from the Survey

MAP	NO. OF SHEETS	ANOMALY MAP	PROFILES ON MAP	CONTOURS		SHADOW MAP
				INK	COLOR	
Electromagnetic Anomalies	1	10,000	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Probable Bedrock Conductors	-	-	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Resistivity (900 Hz)	-	N/A	-	-	-	-
Resistivity (7,200 Hz)	-	N/A	-	**	-	-
EM Magnetite	-	N/A	-	-	-	-
Total Field Magnetics	1	N/A	-	10,000	**	**
Enhanced Magnetics	1	N/A	-	10,000	-	-
Vertical Gradient Magnetics	-	N/A	-	-	-	-
2nd Vertical Derivative Magnetics	-	N/A	-	-	-	-
Magnetic Susceptibility	-	N/A	-	-	-	-
Filtered Total Field VLF	1	N/A	-	10,000	-	-
Electromagnetic Profiles(900 Hz)	-	N/A	-	N/A	N/A	N/A
Electromagnetic Profiles(7200 Hz)	-	N/A	-	N/A	N/A	N/A
Overburden Thickness	-	N/A	-	-	-	-
Digital Profiles	Worksheet profiles					10,000
	Interpreted profiles					-

N/A Not available

*** Highly recommended due to its overall information content

** Recommended

* Qualified recommendation, as it may be useful in local areas

- No recommendation

10,000 Scale of delivered map, i.e, 1:10,000

geophysicist, in conjunction with the computer-generated digital profiles, to produce the final interpreted EM anomaly map. This map includes bedrock, surficial and cultural conductors. A map containing only bedrock conductors can be generated, if desired.

Resistivity

The apparent resistivity in ohm-m may be generated from the inphase and quadrature EM components for any of the frequencies, using a pseudo-layer halfspace model. A resistivity map portrays all the EM information for that frequency over the entire survey area. This contrasts with the electromagnetic anomaly map which provides information only over interpreted conductors. The large dynamic range makes the resistivity parameter an excellent mapping tool.

EM Magnetite

The apparent percent magnetite by weight is computed wherever magnetite produces a negative inphase EM response.

Total Field Magnetics

The aeromagnetic data are corrected for diurnal variation using the magnetic base station data. The regional

IGRF gradient is removed from the data, if required under the terms of the contract.

Enhanced Magnetics

The total field magnetic data are subjected to a processing algorithm. This algorithm enhances the response of magnetic bodies in the upper 500 m and attenuates the response of deeper bodies. The resulting enhanced magnetic map provides better definition and resolution of near-surface magnetic units. It also identifies weak magnetic features which may not be evident on the total field magnetic map. However, regional magnetic variations, and magnetic lows caused by remanence, are better defined on the total field magnetic map. The technique is described in more detail in Section 5.

Magnetic Derivatives

The total field magnetic data may be subjected to a variety of filtering techniques to yield maps of the following:

vertical gradient

second vertical derivative

magnetic susceptibility with reduction to the pole

upward/downward continuations

All of these filtering techniques improve the recognition of near-surface magnetic bodies, with the exception of upward continuation. Any of these parameters can be produced on request. Dighem's proprietary enhanced magnetic technique is designed to provide a general "all-purpose" map, combining the more useful features of the above parameters.

VLF

The VLF data are digitally filtered to remove long wavelengths such as those caused by variations in the transmitted field strength.

Digital Profiles

Distance-based profiles of the digitally recorded geophysical data are generated and plotted by computer. These profiles also contain the calculated parameters which are used in the interpretation process. These are produced as worksheets prior to interpretation, and can also be presented in the final corrected form after interpretation. The profiles display electromagnetic anomalies with their respective interpretive symbols. The differences between the worksheets and the final corrected form occur only with respect to the EM anomaly identifier.

Contour, Colour and Shadow Map Displays

The geophysical data are interpolated onto a regular grid using a cubic spline technique. The resulting grid is suitable for generating contour maps of excellent quality.

Colour maps are produced by interpolating the grid down to the pixel size. The parameter is then incremented with respect to specific amplitude ranges to provide colour "contour" maps.

Monochromatic shadow maps are generated by employing an artificial sun to cast shadows on a surface defined by the geophysical grid. There are many variations in the shadowing technique. The various shadow techniques may be applied to total field or enhanced magnetic data, magnetic derivatives, VLF, resistivity, etc. Of the various magnetic products, the shadow of the enhanced magnetic parameter is particularly suited for defining geological structures with crisper images and improved resolution.

SURVEY RESULTS

GENERAL DISCUSSION

The survey results are presented on separate map sheets for each parameter at a scale of 1:10,000. Table 4-1 summarizes the EM responses in the survey area, with respect to conductance grade and interpretation.

The anomalies shown on the electromagnetic anomaly maps are based on a near-vertical, half plane model. This model best reflects "discrete" bedrock conductors. Wide bedrock conductors or flat-lying conductive units, whether from surficial or bedrock sources, may give rise to very broad anomalous responses on the EM profiles. These may not appear on the electromagnetic anomaly map if they have a regional character rather than a locally anomalous character. These broad conductors, which more closely approximate a half space model, will be maximum coupled to the horizontal (coplanar) coil-pair and should be more evident on the resistivity parameter. Resistivity maps, therefore, may be more valuable than the electromagnetic anomaly maps, in areas where broad or flat-lying conductors are considered to be of importance. Contoured resistivity maps, based on the 900 Hz or 7200 Hz coplanar data, can be prepared from existing survey data.

TABLE 4-1

EM ANOMALY STATISTICS

CAT TRACK PROPERTY

CONDUCTOR GRADE	CONDUCTANCE RANGE SEIMENS (MHOS)	NUMBER OF RESPONSES
7	> 100	0
6	50 - 100	0
5	20 - 50	7
4	10 - 20	6
3	5 - 10	2
2	1 - 5	60
1	< 1	95
*	INDETERMINATE	54
TOTAL		224

CONDUCTOR MODEL	MOST LIKELY SOURCE	NUMBER OF RESPONSES
D	DISCRETE BEDROCK CONDUCTOR	17
B	DISCRETE BEDROCK CONDUCTOR	12
S	CONDUCTIVE COVER	191
E	EDGE OF WIDE CONDUCTOR	4
TOTAL		224

(SEE EM MAP LEGEND FOR EXPLANATIONS)

Excellent resolution and discrimination of conductors was accomplished by using a fast sampling rate of 0.1 sec and by employing a common frequency (900 Hz) on two orthogonal coil-pairs (coaxial and coplanar). The resulting "difference channel" parameters often permit differentiation of bedrock and surficial conductors, even though they may exhibit similar conductance values.

Zones of poor conductivity are indicated where the inphase responses are small relative to the quadrature responses. Where these responses are coincident with strong magnetic anomalies, it is possible that the inphase amplitudes have been suppressed by the effects of magnetite. Most of these poorly-conductive magnetic features give rise to resistivity anomalies which are only slightly below background. If it is expected that poorly-conductive economic mineralization may be associated with magnetite-rich units, most of these weakly anomalous features will be of interest. In areas where magnetite causes the inphase components to become negative, the apparent conductance values may be understated and the calculated depths of EM anomalies may be erroneously shallow.

Anomalies which occur near the ends of the survey lines (i.e., outside the survey area), should be viewed with

caution. Some of the weaker anomalies could be due to aerodynamic noise, i.e., bird bending, which is created by abnormal stresses to which the bird is subjected during the climb and turn of the aircraft between lines. Such aerodynamic noise is usually manifested by an anomaly on the coaxial inphase channel only, although severe stresses can affect the coplanar inphase channels as well.

Geology

According to a very brief description of the geology of the locality as provided by Golden Peaks Resources Ltd., the area is underlain by greenstone of the Archean Savant Lake Group, with massive flows and pillow units interbedded with tuffs and iron formation. Rock units are subparallel to the ENE-trending Stillar Bay shear zone.

Magnetics

A Geometrics 826 proton precession magnetometer was operated at the survey base to record diurnal variations of the earth's magnetic field. The clock of the base station was synchronized with that of the airborne system to permit subsequent removal of diurnal drift.

The background magnetic levels have been adjusted to the mean IGRF value for the survey area. However, the IGRF gradient across the survey block has not been removed.

The total field magnetic data have been presented as contours on the base map using a contour interval of 10 nT where gradients permit. The map shows the magnetic properties of the rock units underlying the survey area.

The total field magnetic data have been subjected to a processing algorithm to produce an enhanced magnetic map. This procedure enhances near-surface magnetic units and suppresses regional gradients. It also provides better definition and resolution of magnetic units and displays weak magnetic features which may not be clearly evident on the total field maps. Maps of the first or second vertical magnetic derivative can also be prepared from existing survey data, if requested.

There is ample evidence on the magnetic maps which suggests that the survey area has been subjected to deformation and/or alteration. These structural complexities are evident on the contour maps as variations in magnetic intensity, irregular patterns, and as offsets or changes in strike direction. Some of the more prominent linear features

are also evident on the topographic base map.

Magnetic relief varies from a background of about 59,900 nT, to a high of about 65,500 nT in the western portion of the area. The geologic strike inferred from the magnetic results varies from 060° to 085°. The total field amplitudes show a strong gradient which increases towards the west-northwest portion of the survey area. Although discrete anomalies are evident within this high gradient area, these discrete anomalies are seen much more clearly in the enhanced magnetic contours.

The strong magnetic response near the western survey limits is suggestive of iron formation.

Several narrow, linear units, trending predominantly ENE, are prominent on the enhanced magnetic map. These units may be parallel to the Stillar Lake shear zone, and have been disrupted in a number of localities.

In addition to the predominant ENE-trending features, there are a few magnetic units which strike east/west. Magnetic anomalies transecting line 10460 at fiducial 3052 and line 10160 at fiducial 996, for example, have an east/west strike direction.

A series of NW-trending cross faults could be interpreted to transect the Cat Track property, disrupting both the magnetic and electromagnetic trends.

If a specific magnetic intensity can be assigned to the rock type which is believed to host the target mineralization, it may be possible to select areas of higher priority on the basis of the total field magnetic map. This is based on the assumption that the magnetite content of the host rocks will give rise to a limited range of contour values which will permit differentiation of various lithological units.

The magnetic results, in conjunction with the other geophysical parameters, should provide valuable information which can be used to effectively map the geology and structure in the survey area.

VLF

VLF results were obtained from the transmitting station at Annapolis, Maryland (NSS - 21.4 kHz). The VLF maps show the contoured results of the filtered total field. Unfortunately, this signal was not available for lines 10190-10530 (flight 1).

The VLF method is quite sensitive to the angle of coupling between the conductor and the propagated EM field. Consequently, conductors which strike towards the VLF station will usually yield a stronger response than conductors which are nearly orthogonal to it. The general strike in the survey area, inferred from the magnetic data, appears to be between 060° and 085° , and provides poor coupling with the VLF signals from both Annapolis and Cutler. Seattle was selected as the optimum station for the survey area, but adequate signals were not available.

Two VLF trends over the western segment are moderately strong and well-defined. Both VLF trends correlate with water covered areas and appear to be influenced by conductive overburden.

The VLF parameter does not normally provide the same degree of resolution available from the EM data. Closely-spaced conductors, conductors of short strike length or conductors which are poorly coupled to the VLF field, may escape detection with this method. Erratic signals from the VLF transmitters can also give rise to strong, isolated anomalies which should be viewed with caution. VLF results often provide valuable structural information, particularly within the more resistive survey areas. In this area the

ground VLF method could possibly be used as a follow-up tool, although its effectiveness will probably be severely limited in areas of moderate to high conductivity. The filtered total field VLF contours are presented on the base map with a contour interval of one percent.

Electromagnetics

The EM anomalies resulting from this survey appear to fall within one of three general categories. The first type consists of discrete, well-defined anomalies which yield marked inflections on the difference channels. These anomalies are usually attributed to conductive sulphides or graphite and are generally given a "B", "T" or "D" interpretive symbol, denoting a bedrock source (see EM map legend).

The second class consists of moderately well-defined quadrature responses which coincide with low amplitude or negative polarity inphase responses. The positive quadrature is attributed to poorly conductive material which overlies, or is associated with, a magnetite-rich host. These anomalies often yield very weak conductance values but show moderate to strong magnetic correlation. Interpretive symbols may vary from "B?" to "S?".

The third class of anomalies comprises broad responses which exhibit the characteristics of a half space and do not yield well-defined inflections on the difference channels. Anomalies in this category are usually given an "S" or "H" interpretive symbol. The lack of a difference channel response usually implies a broad or flat-lying conductive source such as overburden.

The effects of conductive overburden are evident over portions of the survey area. Although the difference channels (DIFI and DIFQ) are extremely valuable in detecting bedrock conductors which are partially masked by conductive overburden, sharp undulations in the bedrock/overburden interface can yield anomalies in the difference channels which may be interpreted as possible bedrock conductors. Such anomalies usually fall into the "S?" or "B?" classification but may also be given an "E" interpretive symbol, denoting a resistivity contrast at the edge of a conductive unit.

In areas where EM responses are evident primarily on the quadrature components, zones of poor conductivity are indicated. Where these responses are coincident with magnetic anomalies, it is possible that the inphase component amplitudes have been suppressed by the effects of magnetite.

Most of these poorly-conductive magnetic features give rise to resistivity anomalies which are only slightly below background. If it is expected that poorly-conductive economic mineralization may be associated with magnetite-rich units, most of these weakly anomalous features will be of interest. In areas where magnetite causes the inphase components to become negative, the apparent conductance and depth of EM anomalies may be unreliable.

As economic mineralization within the area may be associated with massive to weakly disseminated sulphides, which may or may not be hosted by magnetite-rich rocks, it is difficult to assess the relative merits of EM anomalies on the basis of conductance. It is recommended that an attempt be made to compile a suite of geophysical "signatures" over areas of interest. Anomaly characteristics are clearly defined on the computer-processed geophysical data profiles which are supplied as one of the survey products.

Even weak conductors may be of economic significance in this survey area. A complete assessment and evaluation of the survey data should be carried out by one or more qualified professionals who have access to, and can provide a meaningful compilation of, all available geophysical, geological and geochemical data.

CONDUCTORS IN THE SURVEY AREA

The electromagnetic anomaly maps show the anomaly locations with the interpreted conductor type, dip, conductance and depth being indicated by symbols. Direct magnetic correlation is also shown if it exists. The strike direction and length of the conductors are indicated when anomalies can be correlated from line to line. When studying the map sheets, consult the anomaly listings appended to this report.

The survey has detected both bedrock and surficial conductors. Unfortunately, most of the bedrock conductors appear to lie outside the property boundary. The bedrock features have been labelled A₁, A₂, B and C. Isolated responses of possible bedrock origin have also been detected on several lines.

Conductors A₁ (10280A-10340A), A₂ (10290C-10300C) and
10290B

Conductors A₁, A₂ and 10290B are located near the southern survey limits within a localized resistivity low. The conductors are proximal to a magnetic high. Conductor A₁ is the most prominent, having an apparent

strike length of 600 m. This conductor may be open to the southwest. Conductor A₂ has a probable strike length of about 100 m. Conductor 10290B is a single-line feature.

Conductor A₁ is situated on the southern flank of an ENE-trending magnetic high. Most anomalies are of grade 5, yielding conductance values of 25-50S. Dips appear to be near vertical. Conductor A₁ has conductances that could be ascribed to massive sulphides or graphite.

Conductor 10290B is located between conductors A₁ and A₂. This single-line feature has been attributed to a bedrock source.

Conductor B

Conductor B is located approximately 300-400 m southeast of A₁, near the southern limits of the survey. There appears to be an offset of approximately 50 metres in conductor B between lines 10370 and 10380. This offset could indicate the presence of a cross-cutting structure.

Conductor B correlates with an ENE-trending magnetic high on lines 10380-10400, but extends beyond the western limits of the magnetic high. Conductor B displays moderately weak conductance.

Conductor C

Conductor C is located in the southeast corner of the survey grid. It strikes ENE, along a string of ponds which appear to comprise a drainage "linear" manifested on the topographic maps. It is probable that Conductor C is structurally controlled.

The EM data indicate that this conductor dips steeply to the north, except on line 10520 where a possible steep southerly dip is suggested.

Apparent conductances increase from west to east, ranging from 6S on line 10460 to 24S on line 10530. Because C does not directly correlate with a magnetic anomaly over most of its strike extent (except for line 10470), its source is inferred to be due to graphite or non-magnetic sulphides. This conductor appears to be open to the east.

Zone D

Zone D consists of a series of weak anomalies which have been attributed to probable surficial causes. These responses, on lines 10300-10360, occur in a small E/W trending inlet of Savant Lake. This conductive trend coincides with a fairly well-defined resistivity low over the inlet.

Zone D is of interest principally because of its coincidence with a magnetic anomaly on lines 10300-10320.

In addition to the conductors described previously, attention is also drawn to several other isolated anomalies. Although most appear to exhibit very short strike lengths, they are deemed to be of interest because of their shape or magnetic association. These anomalies include 10380C, 10410B, 10460D and 10510H. One other linear trend of anomalies, which may be of interest, extends from 10430D through 10530G, near the south contact of an east/west trending magnetic anomaly.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This section provides background information on parameters which are available from the survey data. Those which have not been supplied as survey products may be generated later from raw data on the digital archive tape.

ELECTROMAGNETICS

DIGHEM electromagnetic responses fall into two general classes, discrete and broad. The discrete class consists of sharp, well-defined anomalies from discrete conductors such as sulfide lenses and steeply dipping sheets of graphite and sulfides. The broad class consists of wide anomalies from conductors having a large horizontal surface such as flatly dipping graphite or sulfide sheets, saline water-saturated sedimentary formations, conductive overburden and rock, and geothermal zones. A vertical conductive slab with a width of 200 m would straddle these two classes.

The vertical sheet (half plane) is the most common model used for the analysis of discrete conductors. All anomalies plotted on the electromagnetic map are analyzed according to this model. The following section entitled **Discrete Conductor Analysis** describes this model in detail, including

the effect of using it on anomalies caused by broad conductors such as conductive overburden.

The conductive earth (half space) model is suitable for broad conductors. Resistivity contour maps result from the use of this model. A later section entitled **Resistivity Mapping** describes the method further, including the effect of using it on anomalies caused by discrete conductors such as sulfide bodies.

Geometric interpretation

The geophysical interpreter attempts to determine the geometric shape and dip of the conductor. Figure 5-1 shows typical DIGHEM anomaly shapes which are used to guide the geometric interpretation.

Discrete conductor analysis

The EM anomalies appearing on the electromagnetic map are analyzed by computer to give the conductance (i.e., conductivity-thickness product) in siemens (mhos) of a vertical sheet model. This is done regardless of the interpreted geometric shape of the conductor. This is not an unreasonable procedure, because the computed conductance increases as the electrical quality of the conductor increases, regardless of its true shape. DIGHEM anomalies

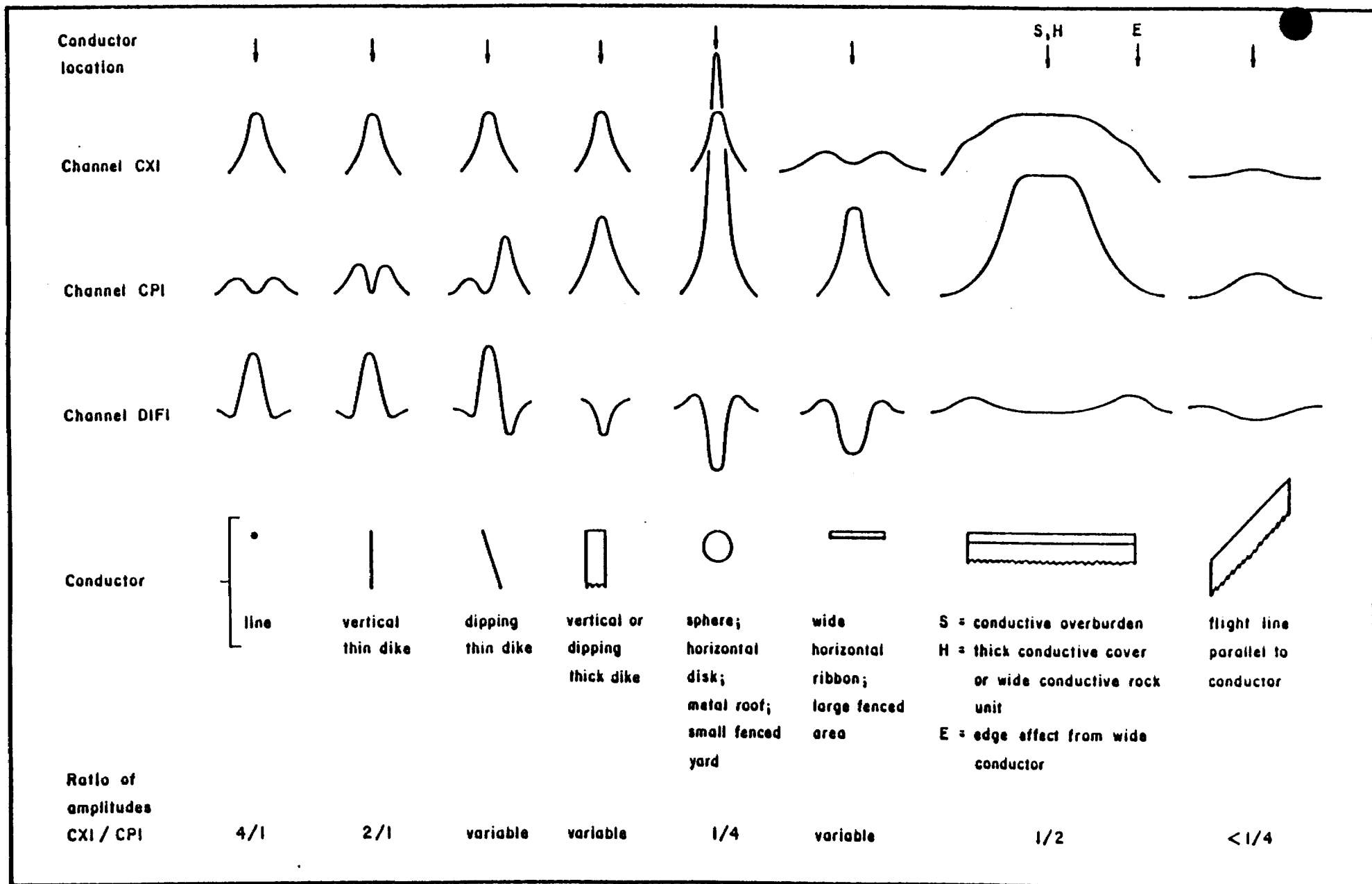


Fig 5-1 Typical DIGHEM anomaly shapes

are divided into seven grades of conductance, as shown in Table 5-1 below. The conductance in siemens (mhos) is the reciprocal of resistance in ohms.

Table 5-1. EM Anomaly Grades

<u>Anomaly Grade</u>	<u>siemens</u>
7	> 100
6	50 - 100
5	20 - 50
4	10 - 20
3	5 - 10
2	1 - 5
1	< 1

The conductance value is a geological parameter because it is a characteristic of the conductor alone. It generally is independent of frequency, flying height or depth of burial, apart from the averaging over a greater portion of the conductor as height increases. Small anomalies from deeply buried strong conductors are not confused with small anomalies from shallow weak conductors because the former will have larger conductance values.

Conductive overburden generally produces broad EM responses which may not be shown as anomalies on the EM maps. However, patchy conductive overburden in otherwise resistive areas can yield discrete anomalies with a conductance grade (cf. Table 5-1) of 1, 2 or even 3 for conducting clays which

have resistivities as low as 50 ohm-m. In areas where ground resistivities are below 10 ohm-m, anomalies caused by weathering variations and similar causes can have any conductance grade. The anomaly shapes from the multiple coils often allow such conductors to be recognized, and these are indicated by the letters S, H, and sometimes E on the electromagnetic anomaly map (see EM map legend).

For bedrock conductors, the higher anomaly grades indicate increasingly higher conductances. Examples: DIGHEM's New Inesco copper discovery (Noranda, Canada) yielded a grade 5 anomaly, as did the neighbouring copper-zinc Magusi River ore body; Mattabi (copper-zinc, Sturgeon Lake, Canada) and Whistle (nickel, Sudbury, Canada) gave grade 6; and DIGHEM's Montcalm nickel-copper discovery (Timmins, Canada) yielded a grade 7 anomaly. Graphite and sulfides can span all grades but, in any particular survey area, field work may show that the different grades indicate different types of conductors.

Strong conductors (i.e., grades 6 and 7) are characteristic of massive sulfides or graphite. Moderate conductors (grades 4 and 5) typically reflect graphite or sulfides of a less massive character, while weak bedrock conductors (grades 1 to 3) can signify poorly connected graphite or heavily disseminated sulfides. Grades 1 and 2

conductors may not respond to ground EM equipment using frequencies less than 2000 Hz.

The presence of sphalerite or gangue can result in ore deposits having weak to moderate conductances. As an example, the three million ton lead-zinc deposit of Restigouche Mining Corporation near Bathurst, Canada, yielded a well-defined grade 2 conductor. The 10 percent by volume of sphalerite occurs as a coating around the fine grained massive pyrite, thereby inhibiting electrical conduction.

Faults, fractures and shear zones may produce anomalies which typically have low conductances (e.g., grades 1 to 3). Conductive rock formations can yield anomalies of any conductance grade. The conductive materials in such rock formations can be salt water, weathered products such as clays, original depositional clays, and carbonaceous material.

On the interpreted electromagnetic map, a letter identifier and an interpretive symbol are plotted beside the EM grade symbol. The horizontal rows of dots, under the interpretive symbol, indicate the anomaly amplitude on the flight record. The vertical column of dots, under the anomaly letter, gives the estimated depth. In areas where anomalies are crowded, the letter identifiers, interpretive

symbols and dots may be obliterated. The EM grade symbols, however, will always be discernible, and the obliterated information can be obtained from the anomaly listing appended to this report.

The purpose of indicating the anomaly amplitude by dots is to provide an estimate of the reliability of the conductance calculation. Thus, a conductance value obtained from a large ppm anomaly (3 or 4 dots) will tend to be accurate whereas one obtained from a small ppm anomaly (no dots) could be quite inaccurate. The absence of amplitude dots indicates that the anomaly from the coaxial coil-pair is 5 ppm or less on both the inphase and quadrature channels. Such small anomalies could reflect a weak conductor at the surface or a stronger conductor at depth. The conductance grade and depth estimate illustrates which of these possibilities fits the recorded data best.

Flight line deviations occasionally yield cases where two anomalies, having similar conductance values but dramatically different depth estimates, occur close together on the same conductor. Such examples illustrate the reliability of the conductance measurement while showing that the depth estimate can be unreliable. There are a number of factors which can produce an error in the depth estimate, including the averaging of topographic variations by the

altimeter, overlying conductive overburden, and the location and attitude of the conductor relative to the flight line. Conductor location and attitude can provide an erroneous depth estimate because the stronger part of the conductor may be deeper or to one side of the flight line, or because it has a shallow dip. A heavy tree cover can also produce errors in depth estimates. This is because the depth estimate is computed as the distance of bird from conductor, minus the altimeter reading. The altimeter can lock onto the top of a dense forest canopy. This situation yields an erroneously large depth estimate but does not affect the conductance estimate.

Dip symbols are used to indicate the direction of dip of conductors. These symbols are used only when the anomaly shapes are unambiguous, which usually requires a fairly resistive environment.

A further interpretation is presented on the EM map by means of the line-to-line correlation of anomalies, which is based on a comparison of anomaly shapes on adjacent lines. This provides conductor axes which may define the geological structure over portions of the survey area. The absence of conductor axes in an area implies that anomalies could not be correlated from line to line with reasonable confidence.

DIGHEM electromagnetic maps are designed to provide a correct impression of conductor quality by means of the conductance grade symbols. The symbols can stand alone with geology when planning a follow-up program. The actual conductance values are printed in the attached anomaly list for those who wish quantitative data. The anomaly ppm and depth are indicated by inconspicuous dots which should not distract from the conductor patterns, while being helpful to those who wish this information. The map provides an interpretation of conductors in terms of length, strike and dip, geometric shape, conductance, depth, and thickness. The accuracy is comparable to an interpretation from a high quality ground EM survey having the same line spacing.

The attached EM anomaly list provides a tabulation of anomalies in ppm, conductance, and depth for the vertical sheet model. The EM anomaly list also shows the conductance and depth for a thin horizontal sheet (whole plane) model, but only the vertical sheet parameters appear on the EM map. The horizontal sheet model is suitable for a flatly dipping thin bedrock conductor such as a sulfide sheet having a thickness less than 10 m. The list also shows the resistivity and depth for a conductive earth (half space) model, which is suitable for thicker slabs such as thick conductive overburden. In the EM anomaly list, a depth value of zero for the conductive earth model, in an area of thick

cover, warns that the anomaly may be caused by conductive overburden.

Since discrete bodies normally are the targets of EM surveys, local base (or zero) levels are used to compute local anomaly amplitudes. This contrasts with the use of true zero levels which are used to compute true EM amplitudes. Local anomaly amplitudes are shown in the EM anomaly list and these are used to compute the vertical sheet parameters of conductance and depth. Not shown in the EM anomaly list are the true amplitudes which are used to compute the horizontal sheet and conductive earth parameters.

Questionable Anomalies

DIGHEM maps may contain EM responses which are displayed as asterisks (*). These responses denote weak anomalies of indeterminate conductance, which may reflect one of the following: a weak conductor near the surface, a strong conductor at depth (e.g., 100 to 120 m below surface) or to one side of the flight line, or aerodynamic noise. Those responses that have the appearance of valid bedrock anomalies on the flight profiles are indicated by appropriate interpretive symbols (see EM map legend). The others probably do not warrant further investigation unless their locations are of considerable geological interest.

The thickness parameter

DIGHEM can provide an indication of the thickness of a steeply dipping conductor. The amplitude of the coplanar anomaly (e.g., CPI channel on the digital profile) increases relative to the coaxial anomaly (e.g., CXI) as the apparent thickness increases, i.e., the thickness in the horizontal plane. (The thickness is equal to the conductor width if the conductor dips at 90 degrees and strikes at right angles to the flight line.) This report refers to a conductor as thin when the thickness is likely to be less than 3 m, and thick when in excess of 10 m. Thick conductors are indicated on the EM map by parentheses "()". For base metal exploration in steeply dipping geology, thick conductors can be high priority targets because many massive sulfide ore bodies are thick, whereas non-economic bedrock conductors are often thin. The system cannot sense the thickness when the strike of the conductor is subparallel to the flight line, when the conductor has a shallow dip, when the anomaly amplitudes are small, or when the resistivity of the environment is below 100 ohm-m.

Resistivity mapping

Areas of widespread conductivity are commonly

encountered during surveys. In such areas, anomalies can be generated by decreases of only 5 m in survey altitude as well as by increases in conductivity. The typical flight record in conductive areas is characterized by inphase and quadrature channels which are continuously active. Local EM peaks reflect either increases in conductivity of the earth or decreases in survey altitude. For such conductive areas, apparent resistivity profiles and contour maps are necessary for the correct interpretation of the airborne data. The advantage of the resistivity parameter is that anomalies caused by altitude changes are virtually eliminated, so the resistivity data reflect only those anomalies caused by conductivity changes. The resistivity analysis also helps the interpreter to differentiate between conductive trends in the bedrock and those patterns typical of conductive overburden. For example, discrete conductors will generally appear as narrow lows on the contour map and broad conductors (e.g., overburden) will appear as wide lows.

The resistivity profiles and the resistivity contour maps present the apparent resistivity using the so-called pseudo-layer (or buried) half space model defined by Fraser (1978)¹. This model consists of a resistive layer overlying

¹ Resistivity mapping with an airborne multicoil electromagnetic system: Geophysics, v. 43, p.144-172

a conductive half space. The depth channels give the apparent depth below surface of the conductive material. The apparent depth is simply the apparent thickness of the overlying resistive layer. The apparent depth (or thickness) parameter will be positive when the upper layer is more resistive than the underlying material, in which case the apparent depth may be quite close to the true depth.

The apparent depth will be negative when the upper layer is more conductive than the underlying material, and will be zero when a homogeneous half space exists. The apparent depth parameter must be interpreted cautiously because it will contain any errors which may exist in the measured altitude of the EM bird (e.g., as caused by a dense tree cover). The inputs to the resistivity algorithm are the inphase and quadrature components of the coplanar coil-pair. The outputs are the apparent resistivity of the conductive half space (the source) and the sensor-source distance are independent of the flying height. The apparent depth, discussed above, is simply the sensor-source distance minus the measured altitude or flying height. Consequently, errors in the measured altitude will affect the apparent depth parameter but not the apparent resistivity parameter.

The apparent depth parameter is a useful indicator of simple layering in areas lacking a heavy tree cover. The

DIGHEM system has been flown for purposes of permafrost mapping, where positive apparent depths were used as a measure of permafrost thickness. However, little quantitative use has been made of negative apparent depths because the absolute value of the negative depth is not a measure of the thickness of the conductive upper layer and, therefore, is not meaningful physically. Qualitatively, a negative apparent depth estimate usually shows that the EM anomaly is caused by conductive overburden. Consequently, the apparent depth channel can be of significant help in distinguishing between overburden and bedrock conductors.

The resistivity map often yields more useful information on conductivity distributions than the EM map. In comparing the EM and resistivity maps, keep in mind the following:

- (a) The resistivity map portrays the absolute value of the earth's resistivity, where resistivity = $1/\text{conductivity}$.
- (b) The EM map portrays anomalies in the earth's resistivity. An anomaly by definition is a change from the norm and so the EM map displays anomalies, (i) over narrow, conductive bodies and (ii) over the boundary zone between two wide formations of differing conductivity.

The resistivity map might be likened to a total field map and the EM map to a horizontal gradient in the direction of flight². Because gradient maps are usually more sensitive than total field maps, the EM map therefore is to be preferred in resistive areas. However, in conductive areas, the absolute character of the resistivity map usually causes it to be more useful than the EM map.

Interpretation in conductive environments

Environments having background resistivities below 30 ohm-m cause all airborne EM systems to yield very large responses from the conductive ground. This usually prohibits the recognition of discrete bedrock conductors. However, DIGHEM data processing techniques produce three parameters which contribute significantly to the recognition of bedrock conductors. These are the inphase and quadrature difference channels (DIFI and DIFQ), and the resistivity and depth channels (RES and DP) for each coplanar frequency.

The EM difference channels (DIFI and DIFQ) eliminate most of the responses from conductive ground, leaving

² The gradient analogy is only valid with regard to the identification of anomalous locations.

responses from bedrock conductors, cultural features (e.g., telephone lines, fences, etc.) and edge effects. Edge effects often occur near the perimeter of broad conductive zones. This can be a source of geologic noise. While edge effects yield anomalies on the EM difference channels, they do not produce resistivity anomalies. Consequently, the resistivity channel aids in eliminating anomalies due to edge effects. On the other hand, resistivity anomalies will coincide with the most highly conductive sections of conductive ground, and this is another source of geologic noise. The recognition of a bedrock conductor in a conductive environment therefore is based on the anomalous responses of the two difference channels (DIFI and DIFQ) and the resistivity channels (RES). The most favourable situation is where anomalies coincide on all channels.

The DP channels, which give the apparent depth to the conductive material, also help to determine whether a conductive response arises from surficial material or from a conductive zone in the bedrock. When these channels ride above the zero level on the digital profiles (i.e., depth is negative), it implies that the EM and resistivity profiles are responding primarily to a conductive upper layer, i.e., conductive overburden. If the DP channels are below the zero level, it indicates that a resistive upper layer exists, and this usually implies the existence of a bedrock

conductor. If the low frequency DP channel is below the zero level and the high frequency DP is above, this suggests that a bedrock conductor occurs beneath conductive cover.

The conductance channel CDT identifies discrete conductors which have been selected by computer for appraisal by the geophysicist. Some of these automatically selected anomalies on channel CDT are discarded by the geophysicist. The automatic selection algorithm is intentionally oversensitive to assure that no meaningful responses are missed. The interpreter then classifies the anomalies according to their source and eliminates those that are not substantiated by the data, such as those arising from geologic or aerodynamic noise.

Reduction of geologic noise

Geologic noise refers to unwanted geophysical responses. For purposes of airborne EM surveying, geologic noise refers to EM responses caused by conductive overburden and magnetic permeability. It was mentioned previously that the EM difference channels (i.e., channel DIFI for inphase and DIFQ for quadrature) tend to eliminate the response of conductive overburden. This marked a unique development in airborne EM technology, as DIGHEM is the only EM system which yields channels having an exceptionally high degree of immunity to

conductive overburden.

Magnetite produces a form of geological noise on the inphase channels of all EM systems. Rocks containing less than 1% magnetite can yield negative inphase anomalies caused by magnetic permeability. When magnetite is widely distributed throughout a survey area, the inphase EM channels may continuously rise and fall, reflecting variations in the magnetite percentage, flying height, and overburden thickness. This can lead to difficulties in recognizing deeply buried bedrock conductors, particularly if conductive overburden also exists. However, the response of broadly distributed magnetite generally vanishes on the inphase difference channel DIFI. This feature can be a significant aid in the recognition of conductors which occur in rocks containing accessory magnetite.

EM magnetite mapping

The information content of DIGHEM data consists of a combination of conductive eddy current responses and magnetic permeability responses. The secondary field resulting from conductive eddy current flow is frequency-dependent and consists of both inphase and quadrature components, which are positive in sign. On the other hand, the secondary field resulting from magnetic permeability is independent of

frequency and consists of only an inphase component which is negative in sign. When magnetic permeability manifests itself by decreasing the measured amount of positive inphase, its presence may be difficult to recognize. However, when it manifests itself by yielding a negative inphase anomaly (e.g., in the absence of eddy current flow), its presence is assured. In this latter case, the negative component can be used to estimate the percent magnetite content.

A magnetite mapping technique was developed for the coplanar coil-pair of DIGHEM. The technique yields a channel (designated FEO) which displays apparent weight percent magnetite according to a homogeneous half space model.³ The method can be complementary to magnetometer mapping in certain cases. Compared to magnetometry, it is far less sensitive but is more able to resolve closely spaced magnetite zones, as well as providing an estimate of the amount of magnetite in the rock. The method is sensitive to 1/4% magnetite by weight when the EM sensor is at a height of 30 m above a magnetitic half space. It can individually resolve steep dipping narrow magnetite-rich bands which are separated by 60 m. Unlike magnetometry, the EM magnetite method is unaffected by remanent magnetism or magnetic

³ Refer to Fraser, 1981, Magnetite mapping with a multi-coil airborne electromagnetic system: Geophysics, v. 46, p. 1579-1594.

latitude.

The EM magnetite mapping technique provides estimates of magnetite content which are usually correct within a factor of 2 when the magnetite is fairly uniformly distributed. EM magnetite maps can be generated when magnetic permeability is evident as negative inphase responses on the data profiles.

Like magnetometry, the EM magnetite method maps only bedrock features, provided that the overburden is characterized by a general lack of magnetite. This contrasts with resistivity mapping which portrays the combined effect of bedrock and overburden.

Recognition of culture

Cultural responses include all EM anomalies caused by man-made metallic objects. Such anomalies may be caused by inductive coupling or current gathering. The concern of the interpreter is to recognize when an EM response is due to culture. Points of consideration used by the interpreter, when coaxial and coplanar coil-pairs are operated at a common frequency, are as follows:

1. Channel CPS monitors 60 Hz radiation. An anomaly on

this channel shows that the conductor is radiating power. Such an indication is normally a guarantee that the conductor is cultural. However, care must be taken to ensure that the conductor is not a geologic body which strikes across a power line, carrying leakage currents.

2. A flight which crosses a "line" (e.g., fence, telephone line, etc.) yields a center-peaked coaxial anomaly and an m-shaped coplanar anomaly.⁴ When the flight crosses the cultural line at a high angle of intersection, the amplitude ratio of coaxial/coplanar response is 4. Such an EM anomaly can only be caused by a line. The geologic body which yields anomalies most closely resembling a line is the vertically dipping thin dike. Such a body, however, yields an amplitude ratio of 2 rather than 4. Consequently, an m-shaped coplanar anomaly with a CXI/CPI amplitude ratio of 4 is virtually a guarantee that the source is a cultural line.

3. A flight which crosses a sphere or horizontal disk yields center-peaked coaxial and coplanar anomalies with a CXI/CPI amplitude ratio (i.e., coaxial/coplanar) of 1/4. In the absence of geologic bodies of this

⁴ See Figure 5-1 presented earlier.

geometry, the most likely conductor is a metal roof or small fenced yard.⁵ Anomalies of this type are virtually certain to be cultural if they occur in an area of culture.

4. A flight which crosses a horizontal rectangular body or wide ribbon yields an m-shaped coaxial anomaly and a center-peaked coplanar anomaly. In the absence of geologic bodies of this geometry, the most likely conductor is a large fenced area.⁵ Anomalies of this type are virtually certain to be cultural if they occur in an area of culture.

5. EM anomalies which coincide with culture, as seen on the camera film or video display, are usually caused by culture. However, care is taken with such coincidences because a geologic conductor could occur beneath a fence, for example. In this example, the fence would be expected to yield an m-shaped coplanar anomaly as in case #2 above. If, instead, a center-peaked coplanar anomaly occurred, there would be concern that a thick geologic conductor coincided with the cultural line.

⁵ It is a characteristic of EM that geometrically similar anomalies are obtained from: (1) a planar conductor, and (2) a wire which forms a loop having dimensions identical to the perimeter of the equivalent planar conductor.

6. The above description of anomaly shapes is valid when the culture is not conductively coupled to the environment. In this case, the anomalies arise from inductive coupling to the EM transmitter. However, when the environment is quite conductive (e.g., less than 100 ohm-m at 900 Hz), the cultural conductor may be conductively coupled to the environment. In this latter case, the anomaly shapes tend to be governed by current gathering. Current gathering can completely distort the anomaly shapes, thereby complicating the identification of cultural anomalies. In such circumstances, the interpreter can only rely on the radiation channel CPS and on the camera film or video records.

MAGNETICS

The existence of a magnetic correlation with an EM anomaly is indicated directly on the EM map. In some geological environments, an EM anomaly with magnetic correlation has a greater likelihood of being produced by sulfides than one that is non-magnetic. However, sulfide ore bodies may be non-magnetic (e.g., the Kidd Creek deposit near Timmins, Canada) as well as magnetic (e.g., the Mattabi deposit near Sturgeon Lake, Canada).

The magnetometer data are digitally recorded in the aircraft to an accuracy of one nT (i.e., one gamma) for proton magnetometers, and 0.01 nT for cesium magnetometers. The digital tape is processed by computer to yield a total field magnetic contour map. When warranted, the magnetic data may also be treated mathematically to enhance the magnetic response of the near-surface geology, and an enhanced magnetic contour map is then produced. The response of the enhancement operator in the frequency domain is illustrated in Figure 5-2. This figure shows that the passband components of the airborne data are amplified 20 times by the enhancement operator. This means, for example, that a 100 nT anomaly on the enhanced map reflects a 5 nT anomaly for the passband components of the airborne data.

The enhanced map, which bears a resemblance to a downward continuation map, is produced by the digital bandpass filtering of the total field data. The enhancement is equivalent to continuing the field downward to a level (above the source) which is 1/20th of the actual sensor-source distance.

Because the enhanced magnetic map bears a resemblance to a ground magnetic map, it simplifies the recognition of trends in the rock strata and the interpretation of geological structure. It defines the near-surface local

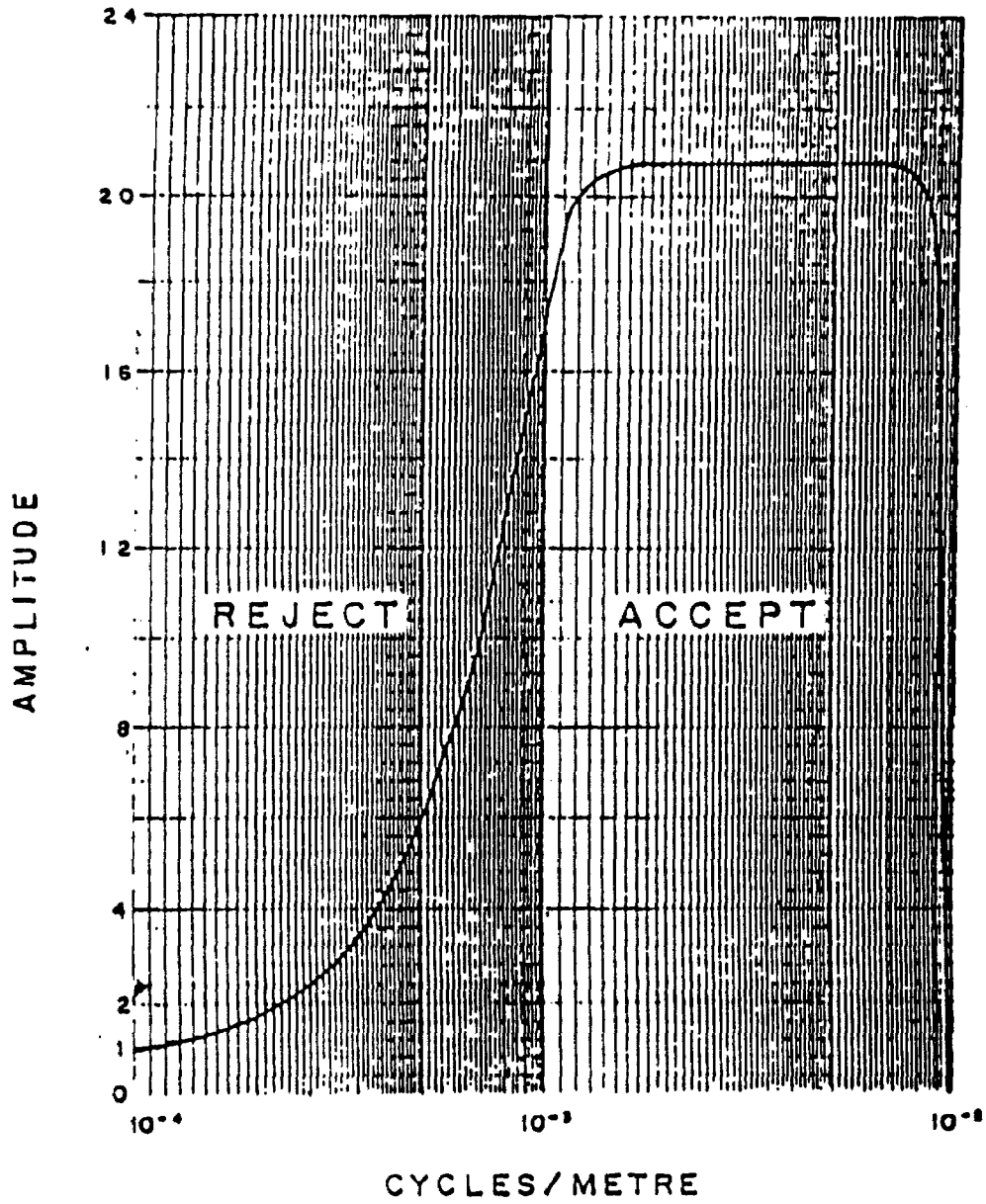


Fig. 5-2 Frequency response of magnetic enhancement operator for a sample interval of 50 m.

geology while de-emphasizing deep-seated regional features. It primarily has application when the magnetic rock units are steeply dipping and the earth's field dips in excess of 60 degrees.

Any of a number of filter operators may be applied to the magnetic data, to yield vertical derivatives, continuations, magnetic susceptibility, etc. These may be displayed in contour, colour or shadow.

VLF

VLF transmitters produce high frequency uniform electromagnetic fields. However, VLF anomalies are not EM anomalies in the conventional sense. EM anomalies primarily reflect eddy currents flowing in conductors which have been energized inductively by the primary field. In contrast, VLF anomalies primarily reflect current gathering, which is a non-inductive phenomenon. The primary field sets up currents which flow weakly in rock and overburden, and these tend to collect in low resistivity zones. Such zones may be due to massive sulfides, shears, river valleys and even unconformities.

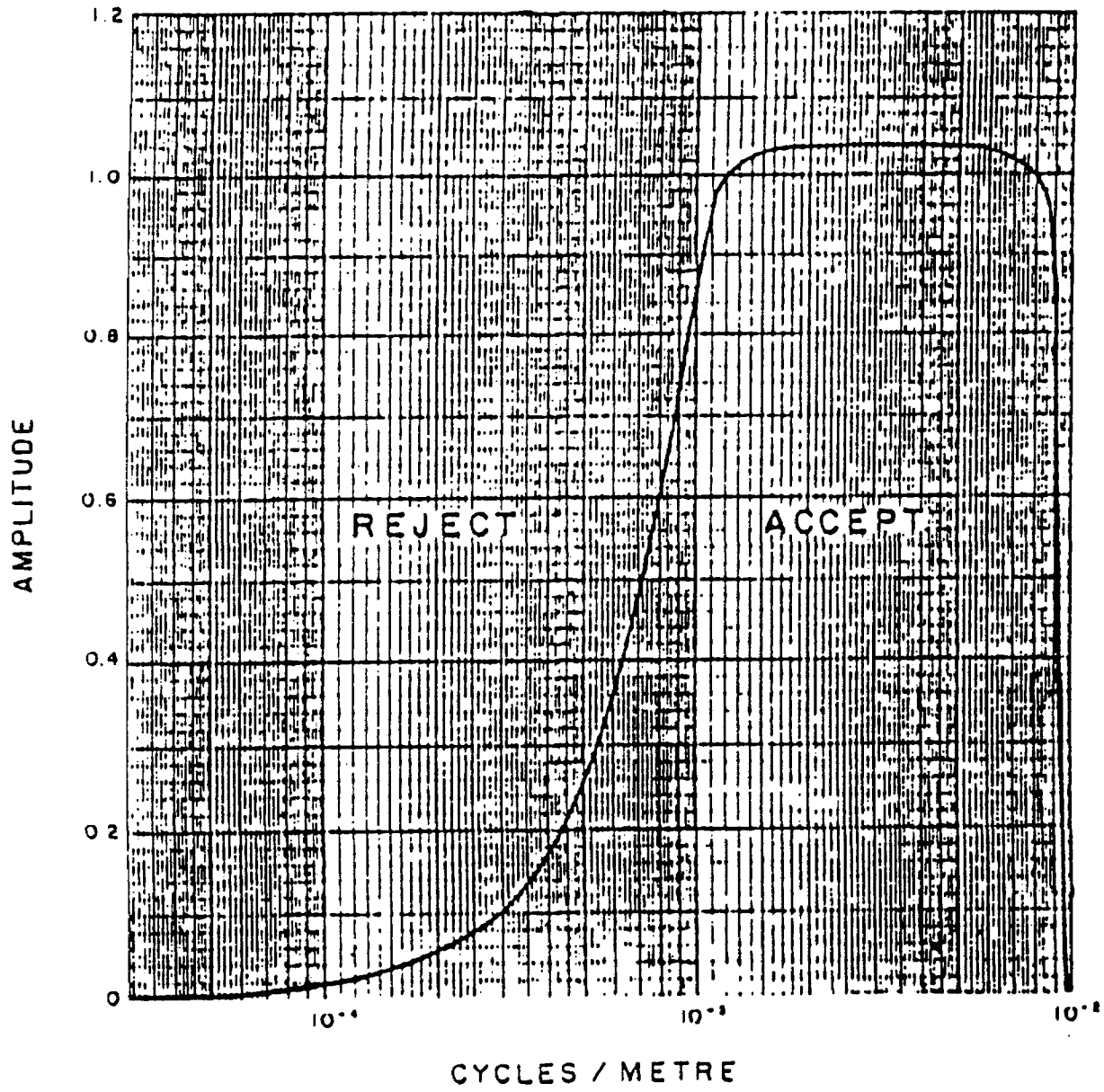


Fig. 5-3 Frequency response of VLF operator.

The VLF field is horizontal. Because of this, the method is quite sensitive to the angle of coupling between the conductor and the transmitted VLF field. Conductors which strike towards the VLF station will usually yield a stronger response than conductors which are nearly orthogonal to it.

The Herz Industries Ltd. Totem VLF-electromagnetometer measures the total field and vertical quadrature components. Both of these components are digitally recorded in the aircraft with a sensitivity of 0.1 percent. The total field yields peaks over VLF current concentrations whereas the quadrature component tends to yield crossovers. Both appear as traces on the profile records. The total field data are filtered digitally and displayed as contours to facilitate the recognition of trends in the rock strata and the interpretation of geologic structure.

The response of the VLF total field filter operator in the frequency domain (Figure 5-3) is basically similar to that used to produce the enhanced magnetic map (Figure 5-2). The two filters are identical along the abscissa but different along the ordinant. The VLF filter removes long wavelengths such as those which reflect regional and wave transmission variations. The filter sharpens short wavelength responses such as those which reflect local geological variations.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This report provides a very brief description of the survey results and describes the equipment, procedures and logistics of the survey.

The survey was successful in locating at least four bedrock conductors and several other zones of interest. The various maps included with this report display the magnetic and conductive properties of the survey area. It is recommended that the survey results be reviewed in detail, in conjunction with all available geophysical, geological and geochemical information. Particular reference should be made to the computer generated data profiles which clearly define the characteristics of the individual anomalies.

There are many other conductors which are weak or poorly-defined, but which may be of interest considering the type of mineralization being sought. In some localities, these weak trends may be related to faults or shears. Such structural breaks are considered to be of particular interest as they may have influenced mineral deposition within the survey area. For the same reason, any anomalies which appear to be associated with structural deformation, should be considered potential target areas.

It is recommended that additional work be carried out to determine the causative sources within the survey area. Further investigation may be required to the west, south and east, to properly cover these conductors.

Bedrock conductors A₁, A₂, B and C in the Savant Lake area are considered to be high priority targets. These bedrock conductors strike ENE and may be parallel with the Stillar Bay shear zone. Their discontinuity suggests that the area is structurally complex, and the magnetic data support this interpretation. A network of faults can be interpreted from the electromagnetic and magnetic data.

It is also recommended that additional processing of existing geophysical data be considered, in order to extract the maximum amount of information from the survey results. Colour maps and enhanced shadow maps often provide valuable information on structure and lithology, which may not be clearly evident on the contour maps. Current processing techniques can yield images which define subtle, but significant, structural details.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX A

LIST OF PERSONNEL

The following personnel were involved in the acquisition, processing, interpretation and presentation of data, relating to a DIGHEM^{III} airborne geophysical survey carried out for Golden Peaks Resources Ltd., over a property in the Savant Lake area, Ontario.

Kirby Mills	Survey Operations Manager
Maurie Bergstrom	Geophysical Operator
Peter Moore	Second Geophysical Operator
Joe Polan	Pilot (Peace Helicopters Ltd.)
Ruth A. Pritchard	Computer Processor/Geophysicist
Paul J. Gudjurgis	Geophysicist/Interpreter
Gary Hohs	Draftsperson
Susan Pothiah	Word Processing Operator

The survey consisted of 150 km of coverage, flown on February 14, 1989. Geophysical data were compiled utilizing a VAX 11-780 computer.

All personnel are employees of Dighem Surveys & Processing Inc., except for the pilot who is an employee of Peace Helicopters Ltd.

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APPENDIX B
STATEMENT OF COST

Date: April 19, 1989

IN ACCOUNT WITH
DIGHEM SURVEYS & PROCESSING INC.

To: Dighem flying of Agreement dated February 3, 1989,
pertaining to an Airborne Geophysical Survey in the
Savant Lake area, Ontario.

Survey Charges

150 km of flying \$20,000.00

Allocation of Costs

- Data Acquisition	(60%)
- Data Processing	(20%)
- Interpretation, Report and Maps	(20%)

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APPENDIX C

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

I, Paul J. Gudjurgis of the City of Brampton, Province of Ontario, do hereby certify that:

1. I am a geophysicist, residing at 6 Core Crescent, Brampton, Ontario L6W 2G7.
2. I have an M.Sc. in Physics from the University of Alberta (1971).
3. I have been actively engaged in geophysical exploration since 1972.
4. I am presently employed by Dighem Surveys & Processing Inc., I-POWER division.
5. The statements made in this report represent my best opinion and judgment.

Dated at Mississauga this 19th day of April, 1989.



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For each additional survey: using the same grid: Enter 20 days (for each)	- Other Geological Geochemical	
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REFERENCES

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Description	Order No.	Date	Disposition	File

SAND AND GRAVEL

GRAVEL FILE NO 18452

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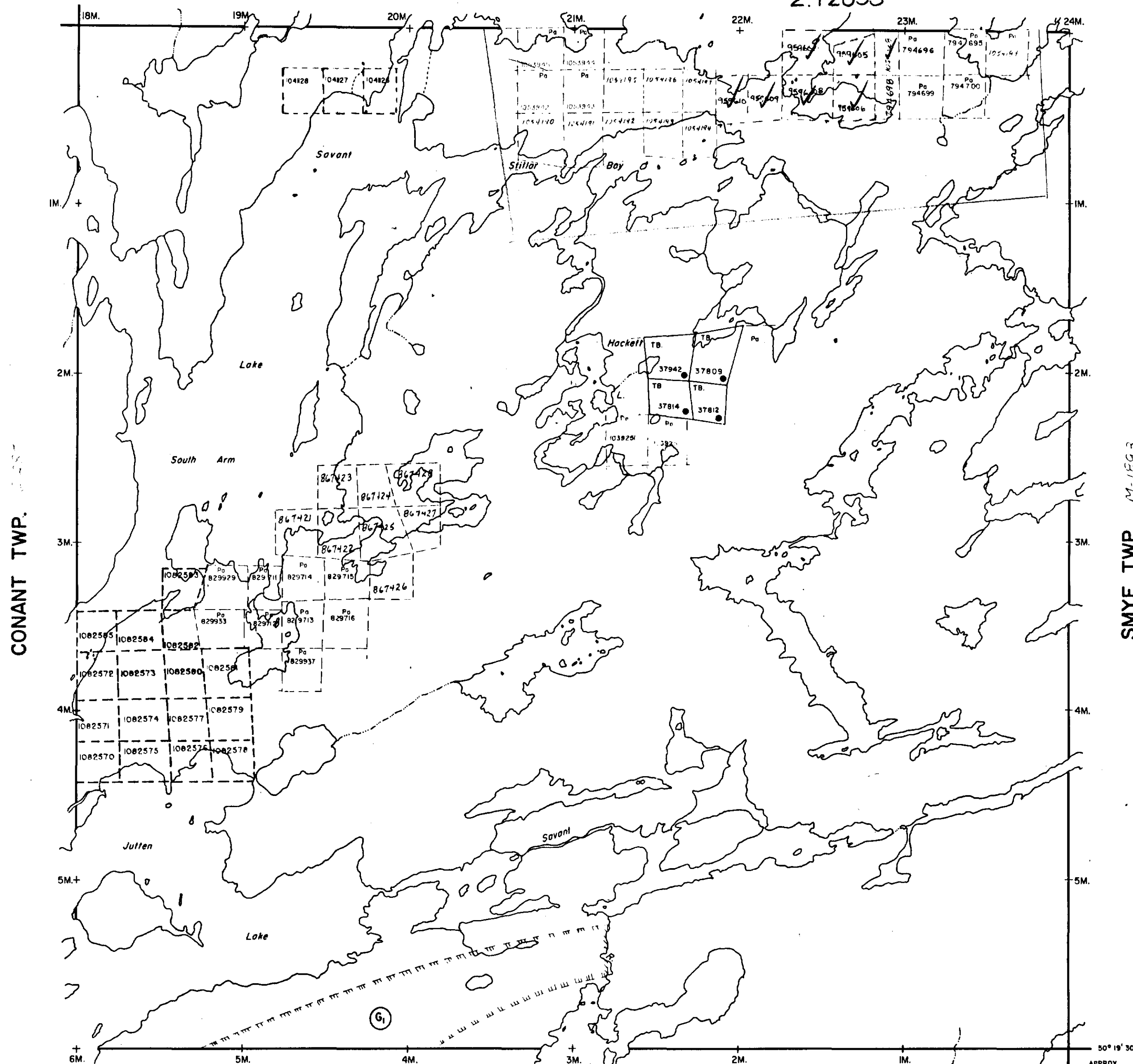


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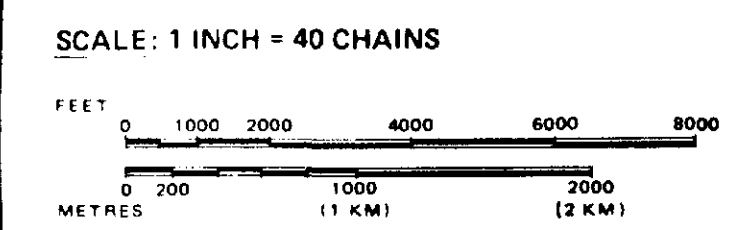
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- UTILITY LINES
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- SUBDIVISION OR COMPOSITE PLAN
- RESERVATIONS
- ORIGINAL SHORELINE
- MARSH OR MUSKEG
- MINES
- TRAVERSE MONUMENT

DISPOSITION OF CROWN LANDS

TYPE OF DOCUMENT	SYMBOL
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CANCELLED	⊗
SAND & GRAVEL	⊙

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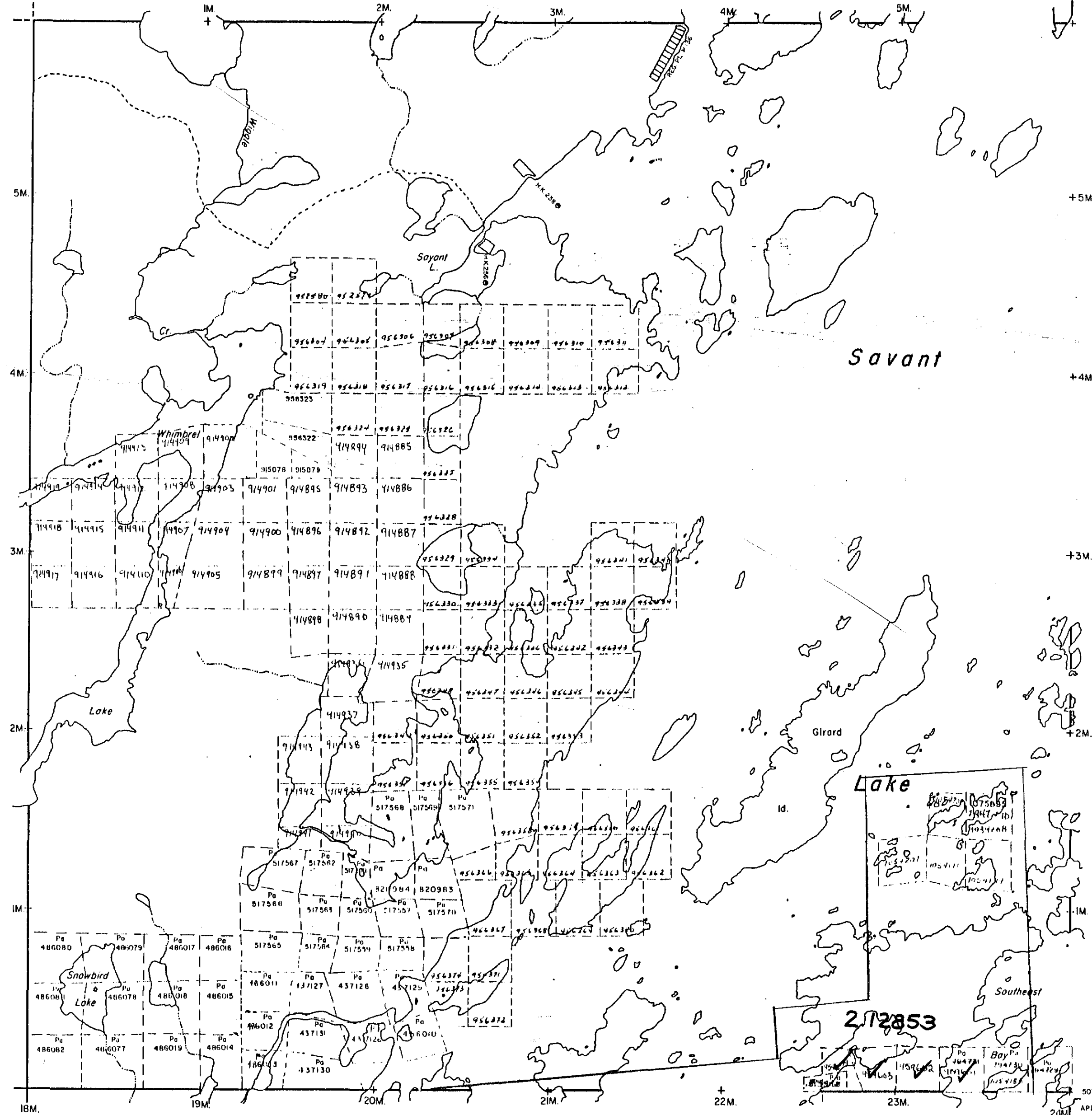
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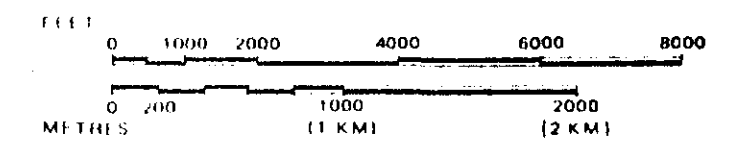
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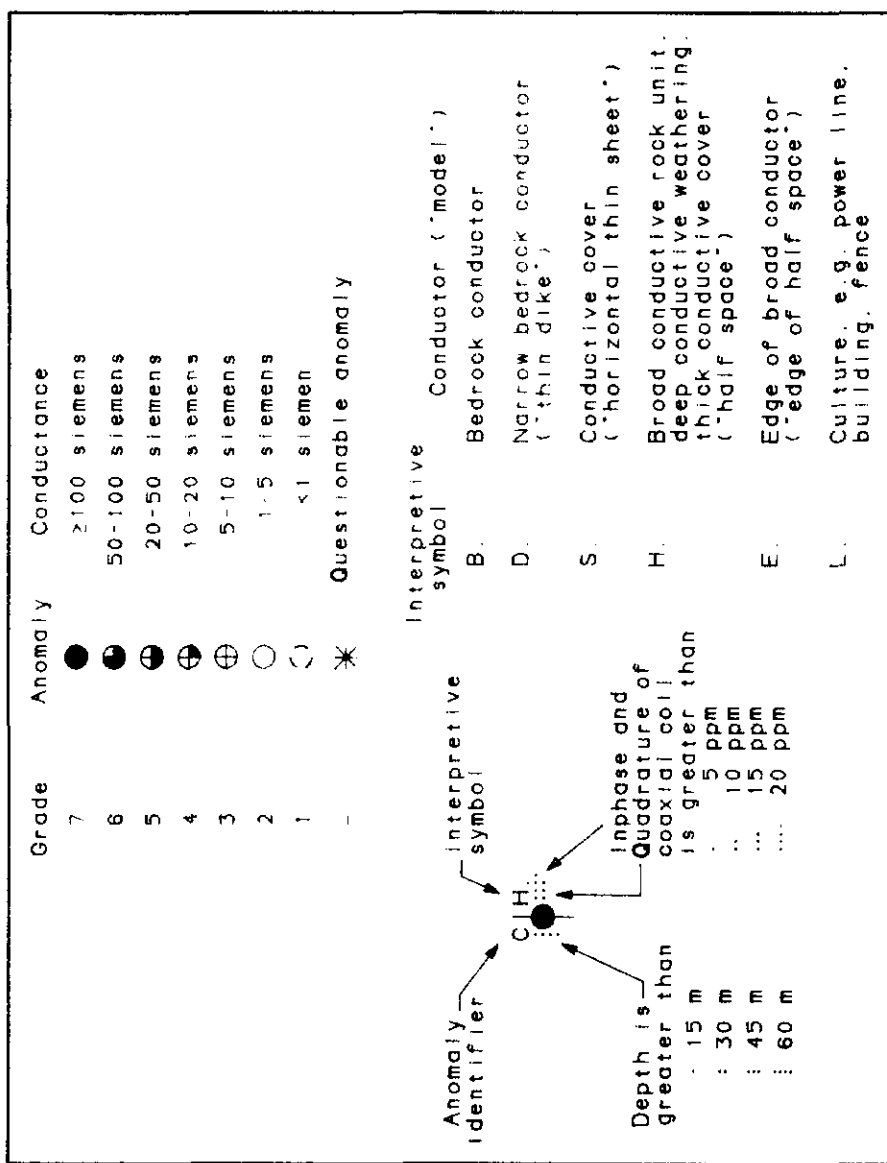
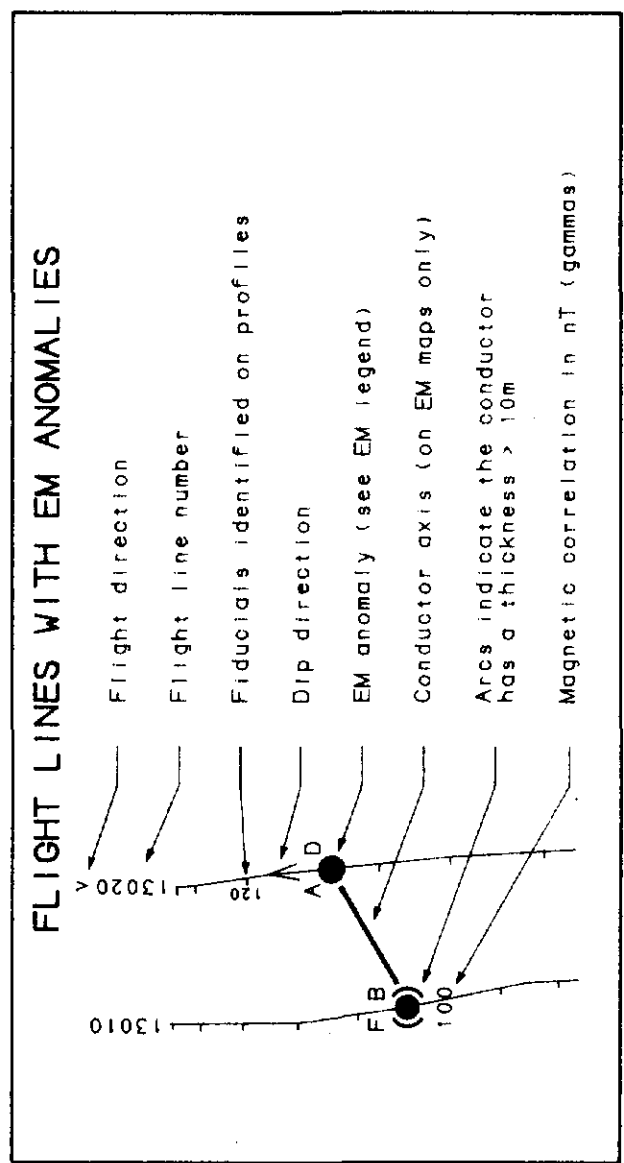
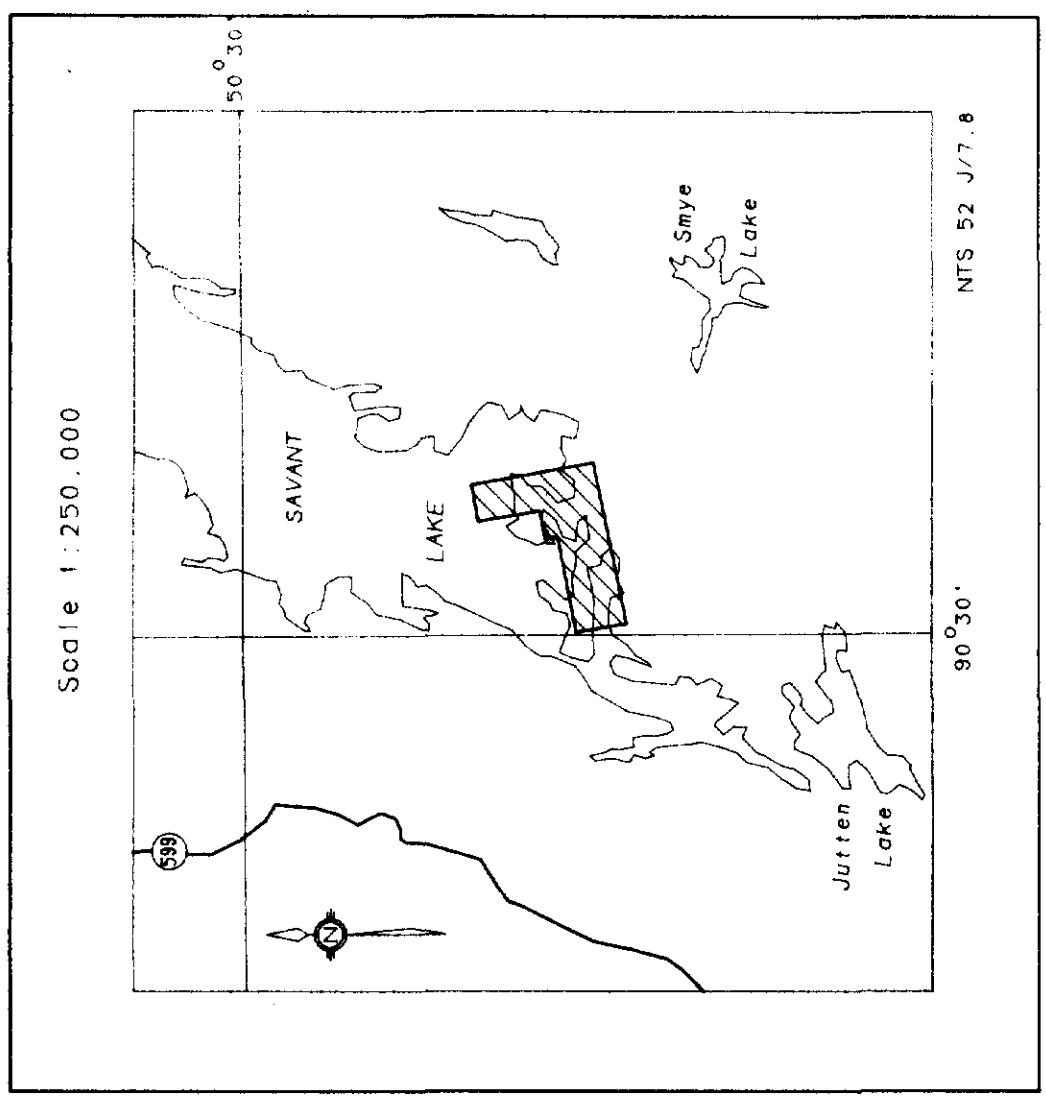
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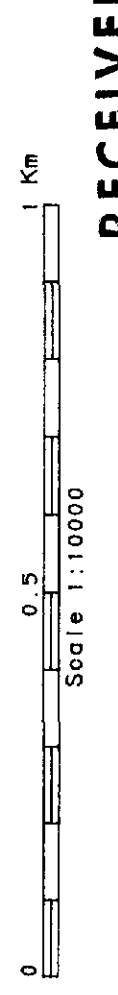
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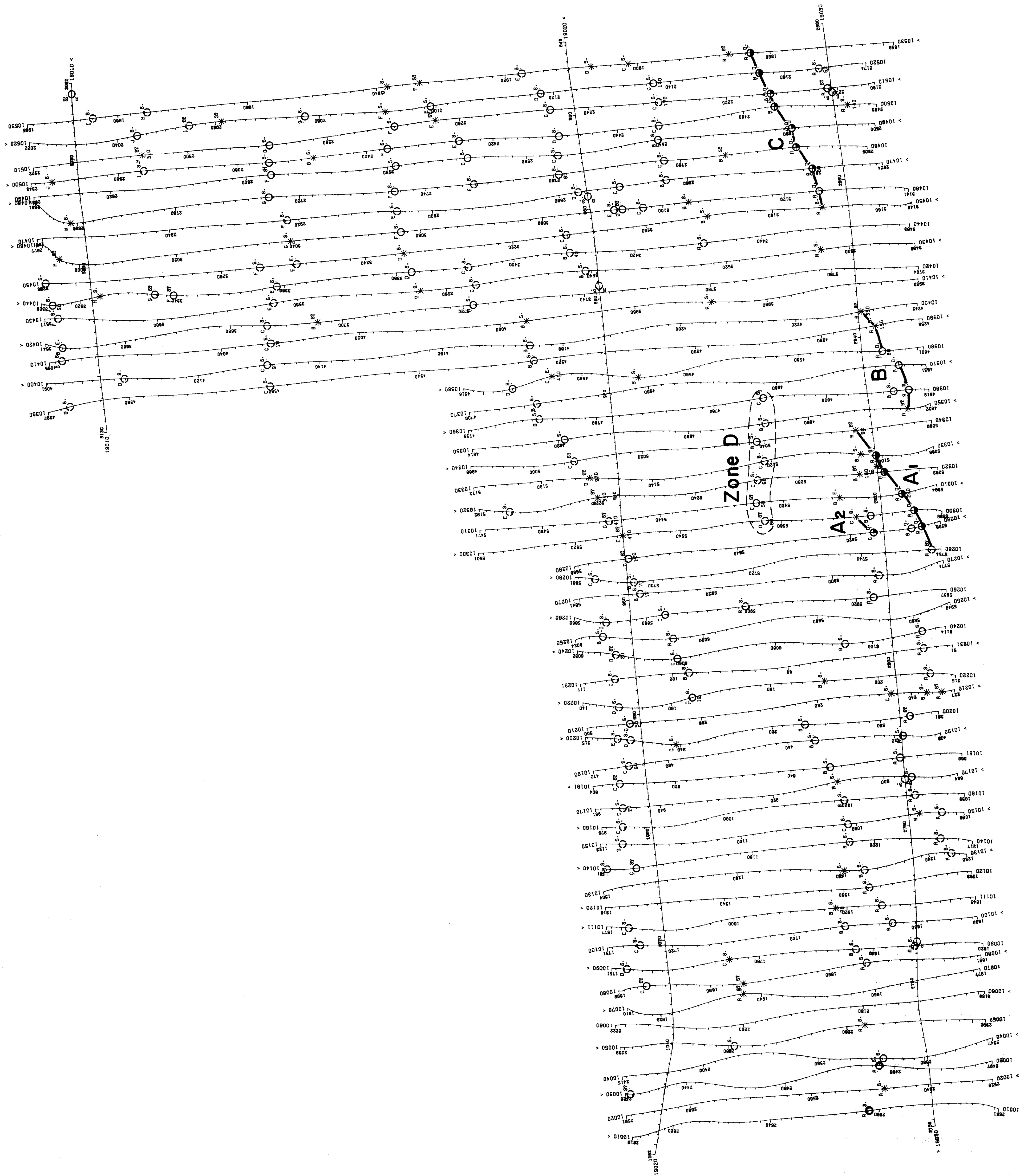
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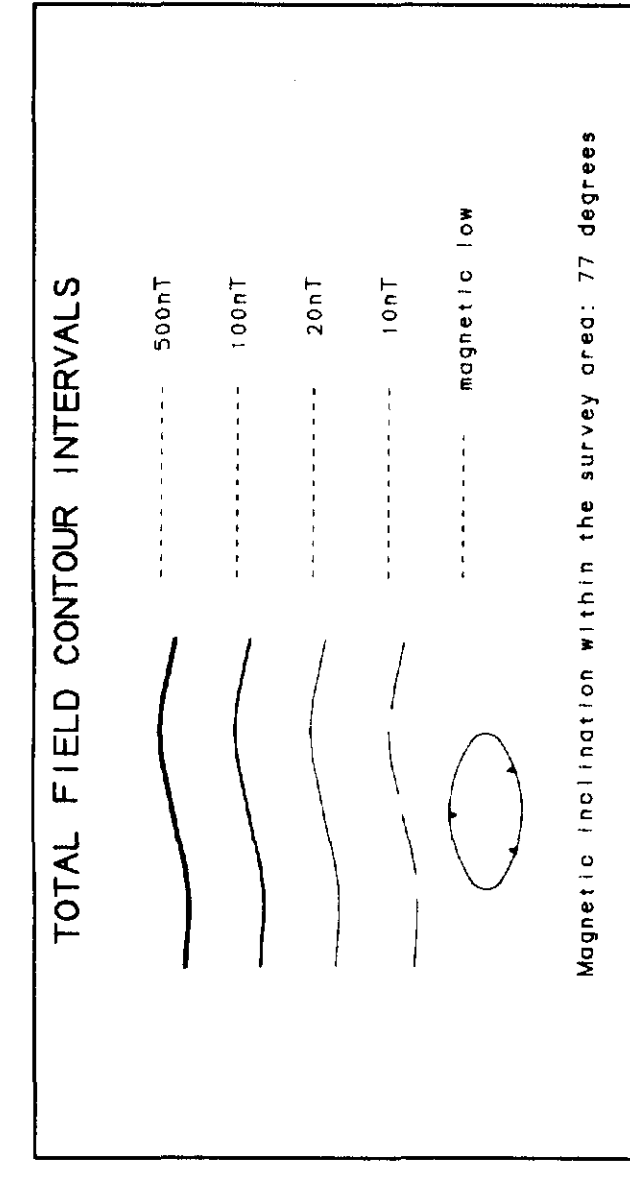
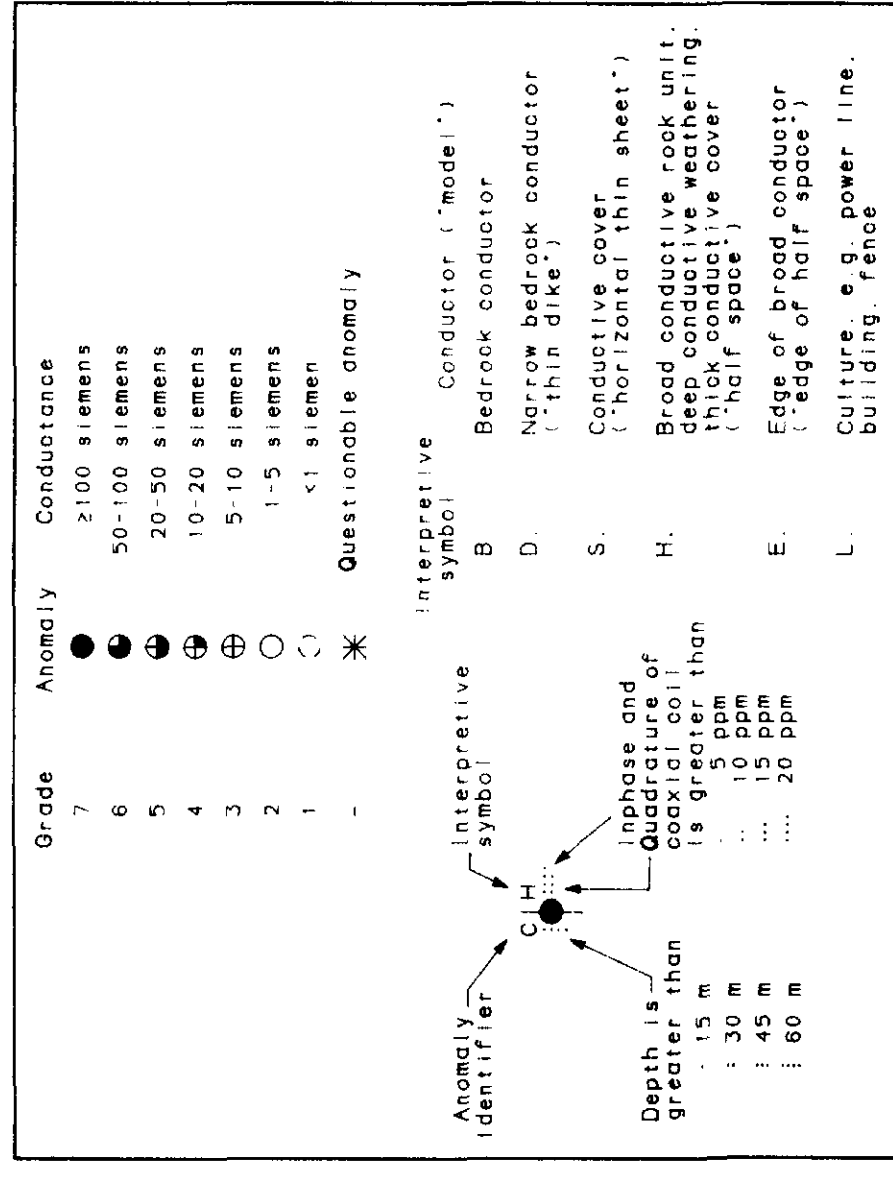
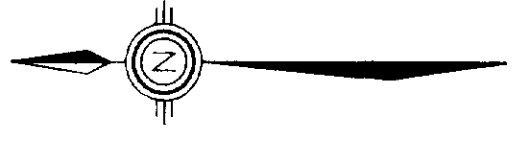
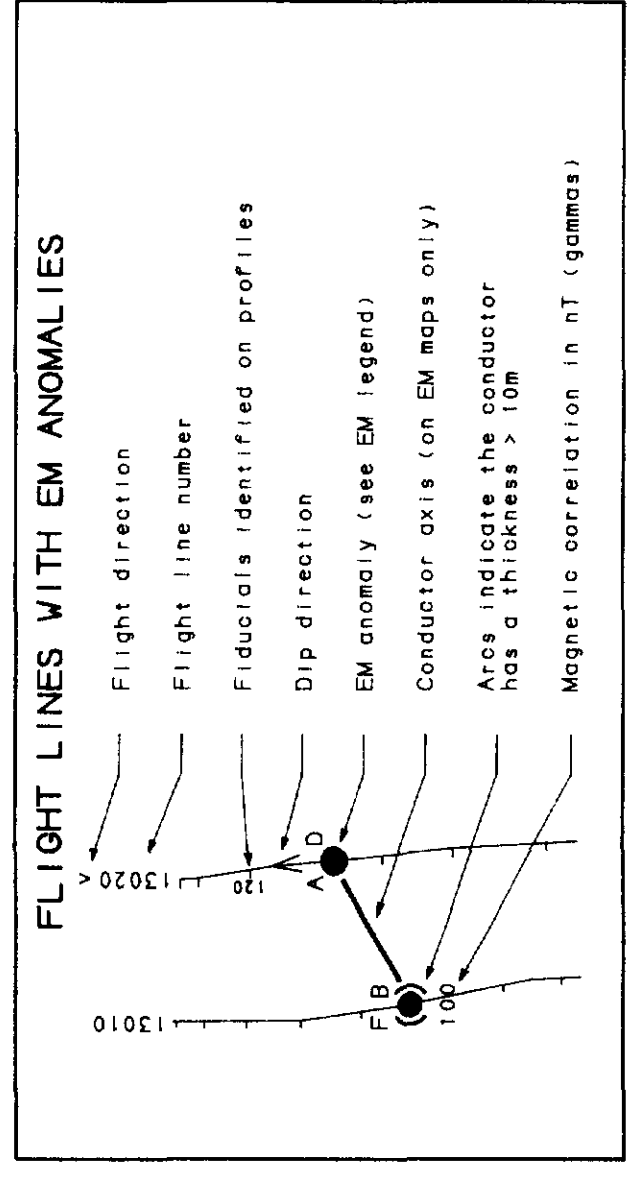
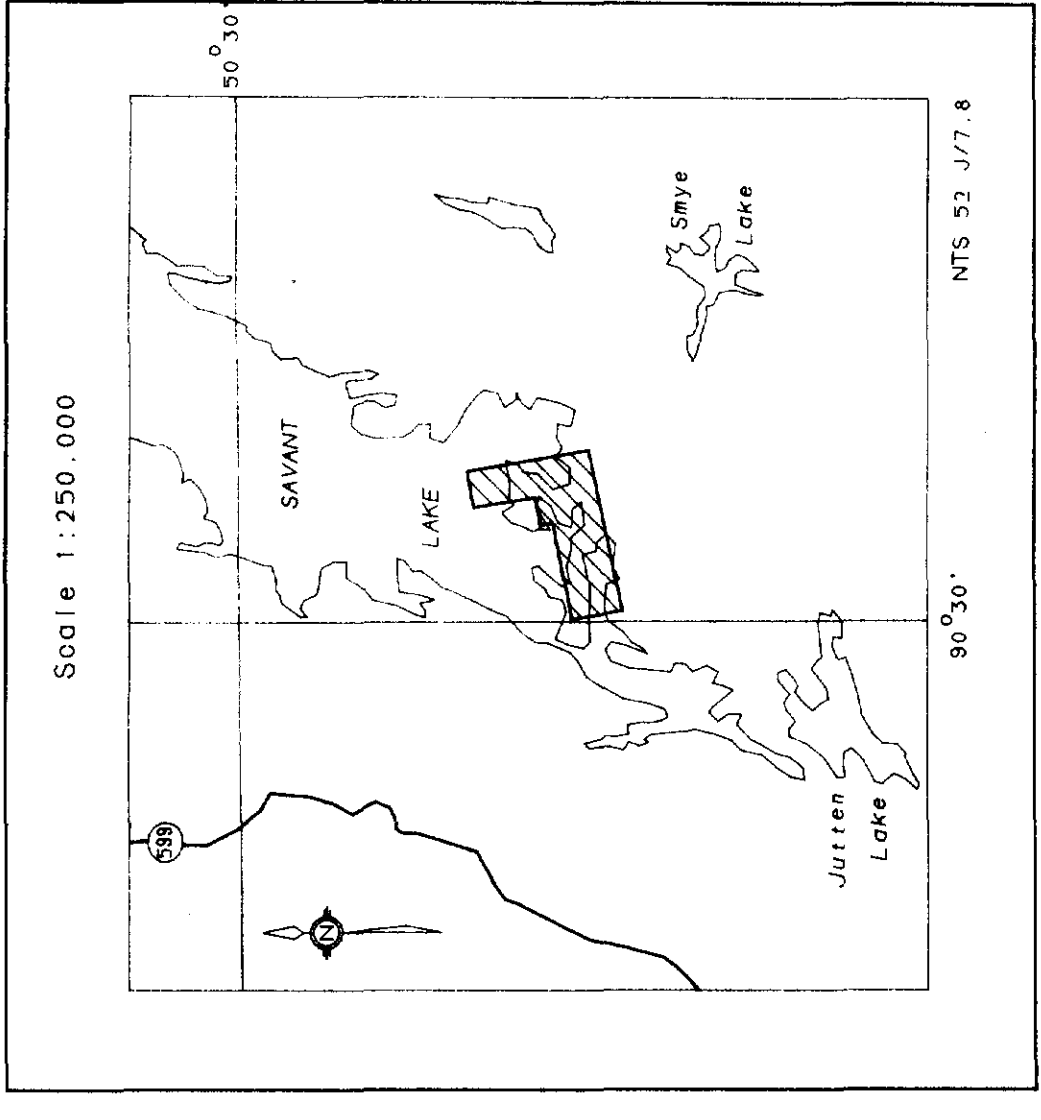


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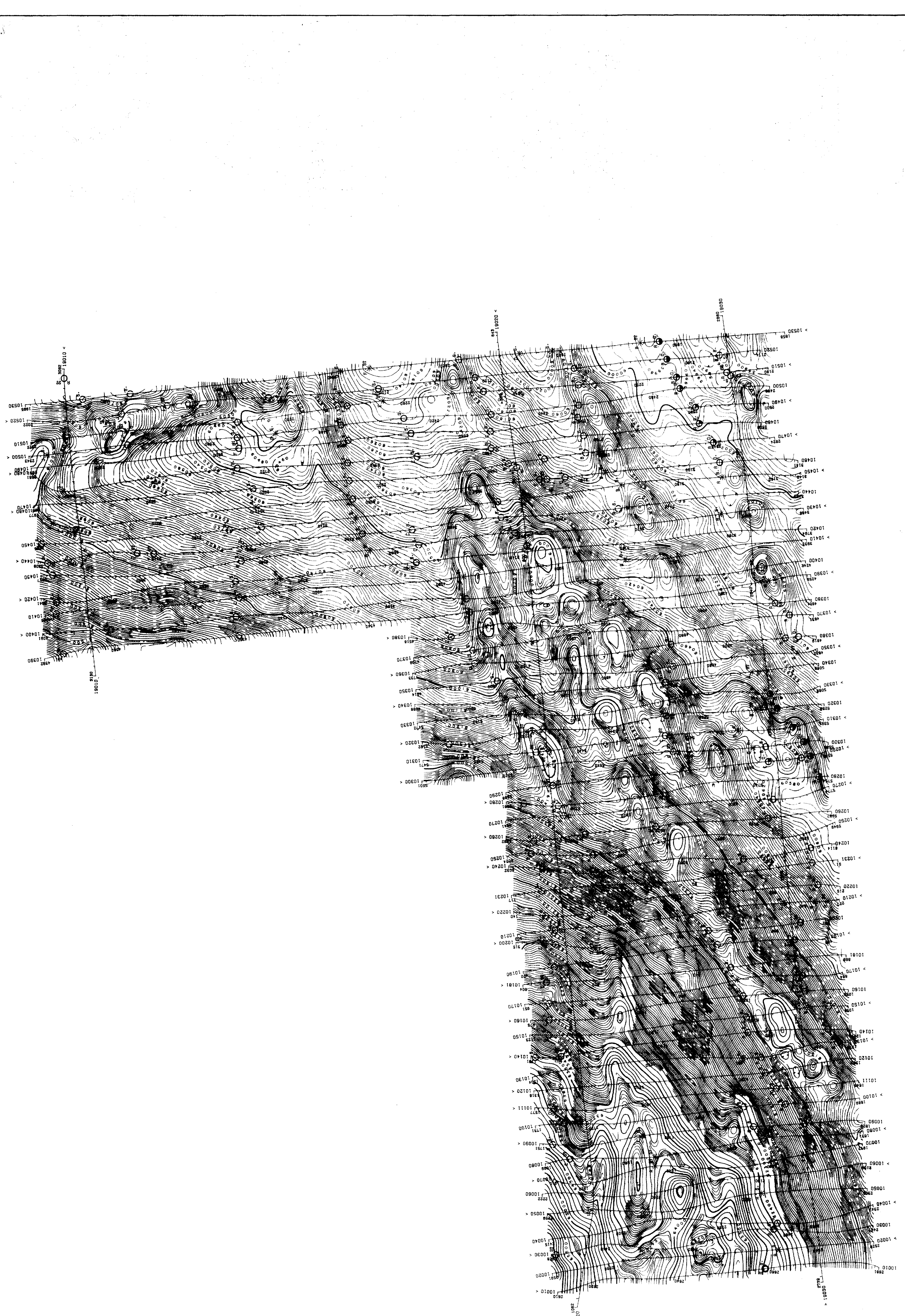
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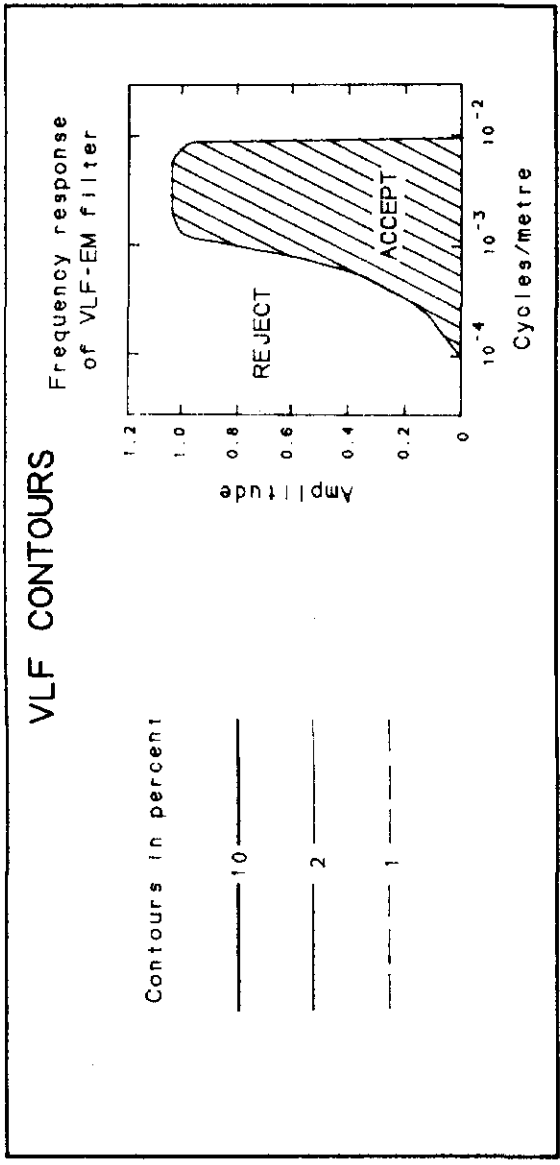
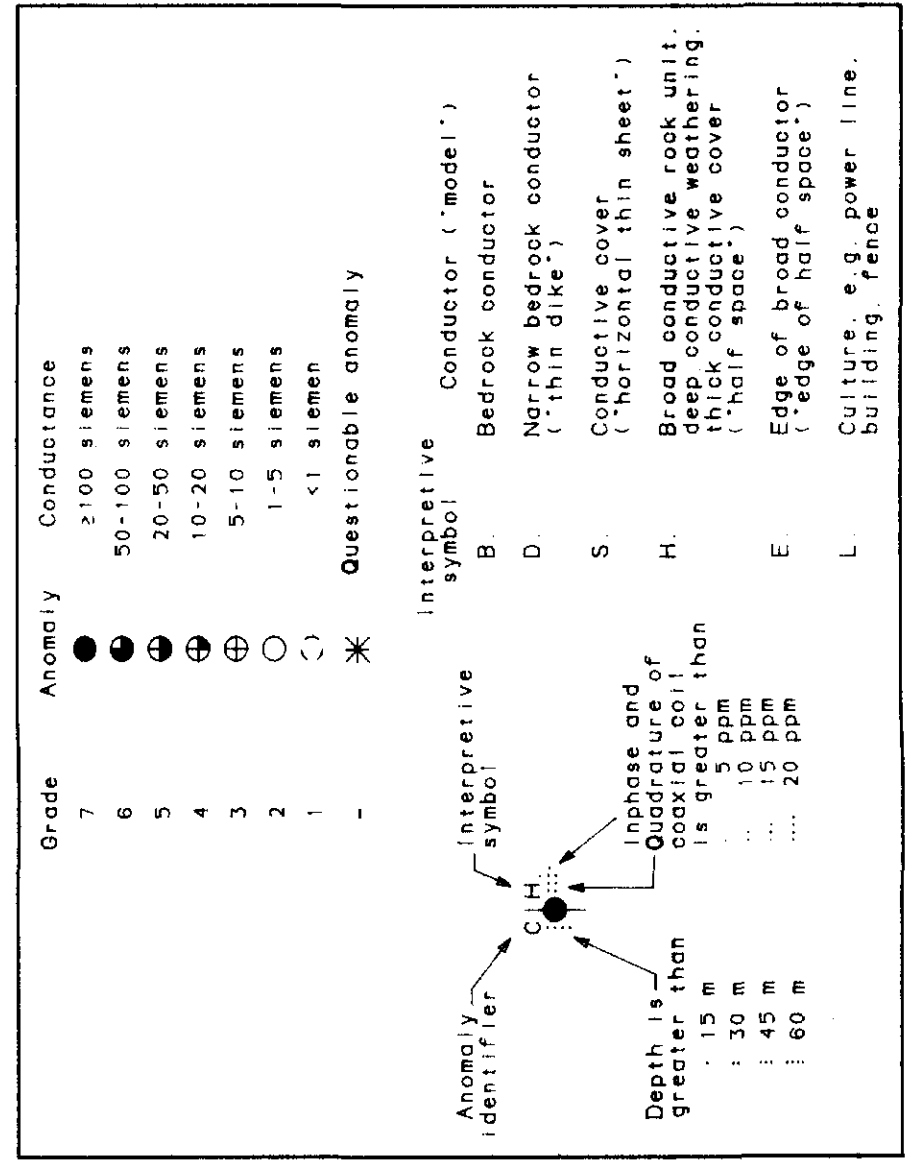
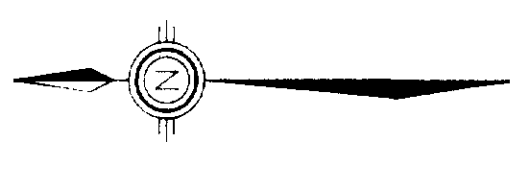
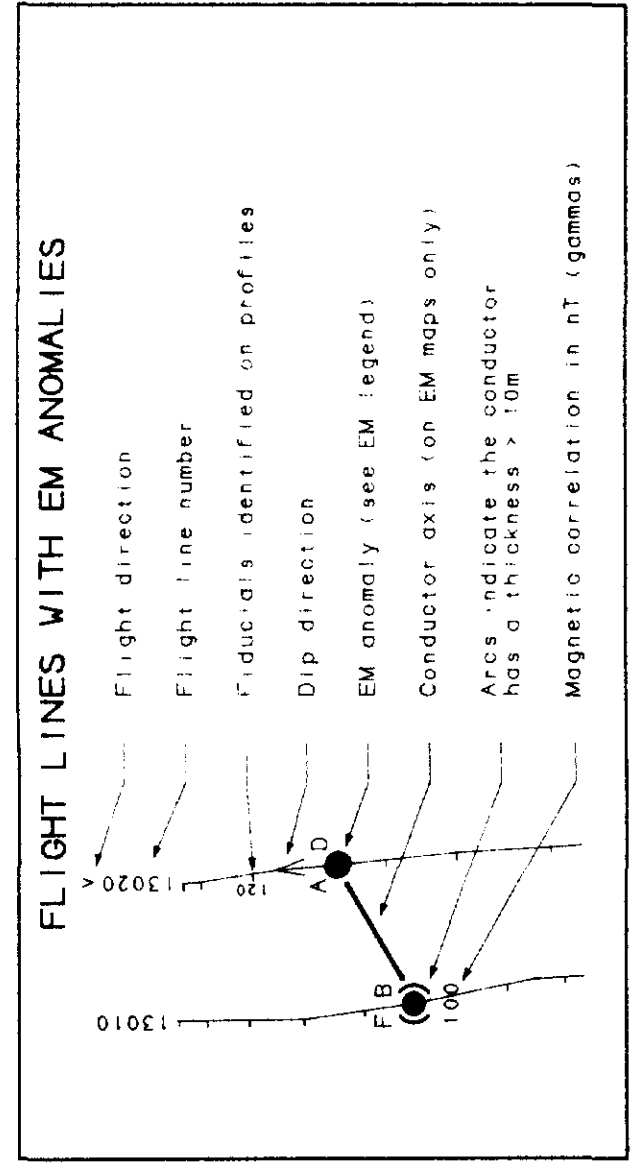
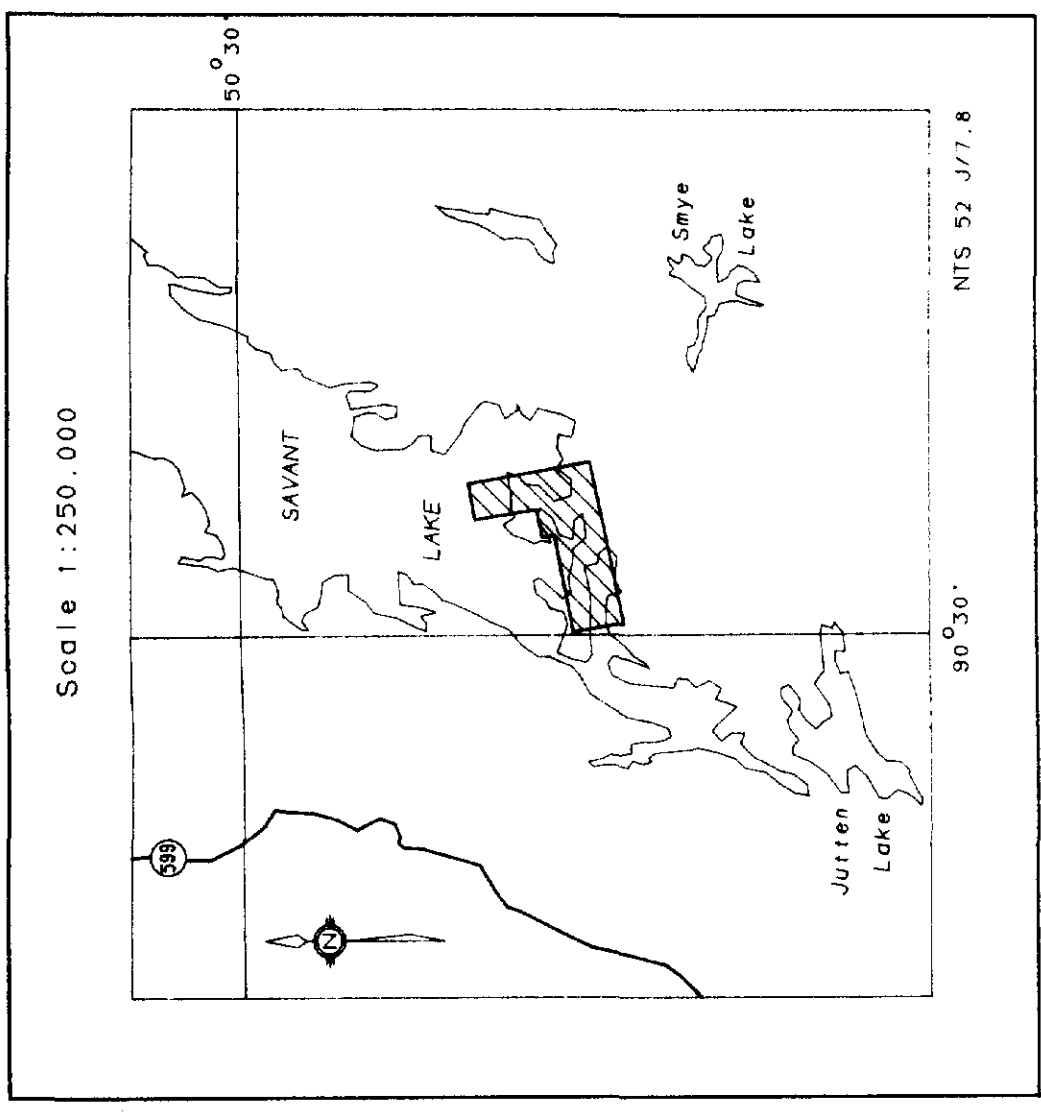
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