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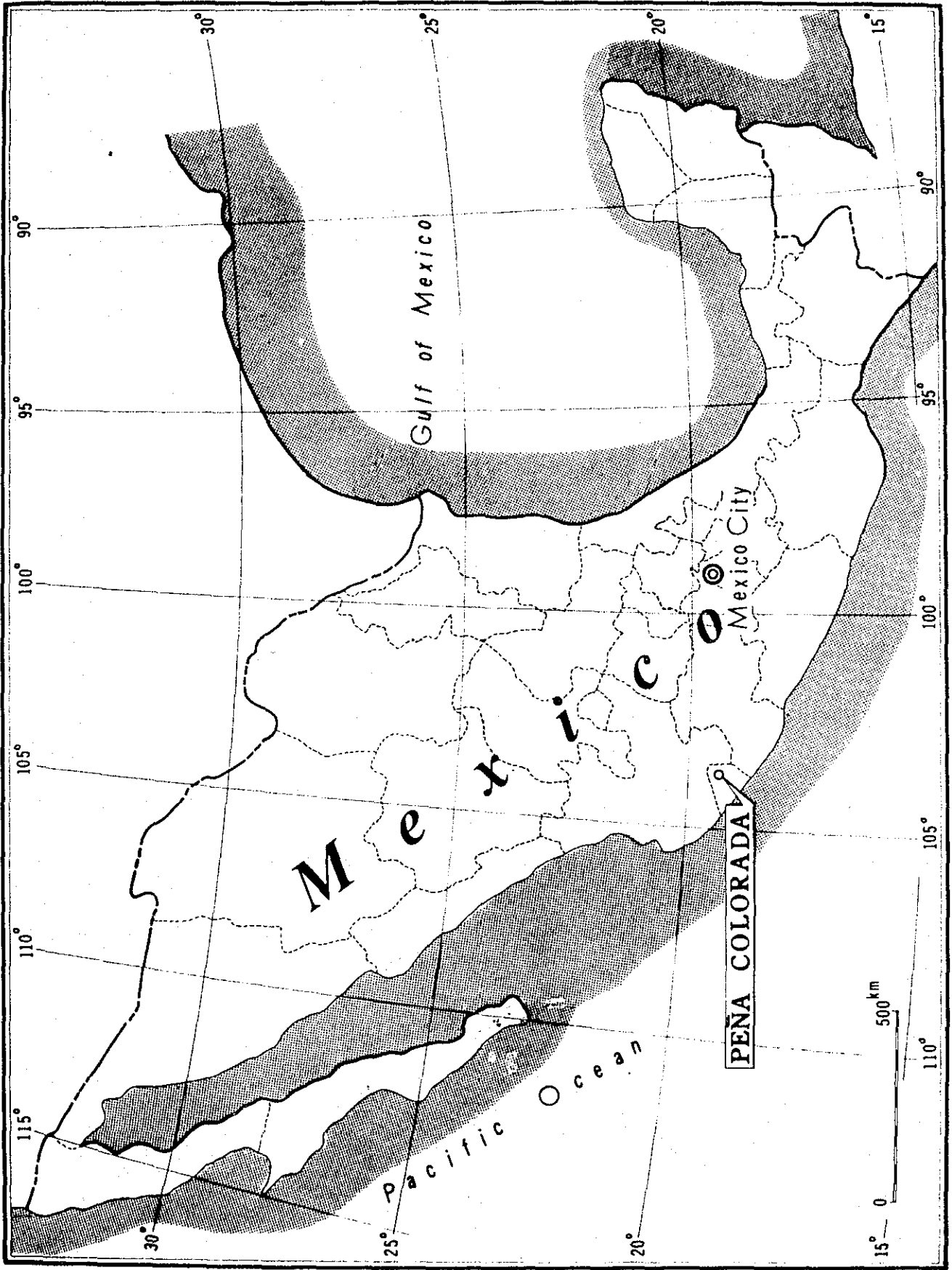


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FOREWORD

In response to the request made by the Government of Mexico, the Government of Japan undertook to carry out the basic investigations relative to the exploitation of the Peña Colorada mine district located in the Colima Province, Mexico, and entrusted the Overseas Technical Cooperation Agency (OTCA), the executing agency, with the execution of the investigations.

The OTCA consequently organized and despatched to Mexico in March 1964 a Survey Team consisting of 6 experts. The Team engaged in the field survey for a period of about 2 months, results of which are herein contained.

The OTCA was established in June 1962 as the executing agency of the Government of Japan for her overseas technical cooperation, and has since been actively engaged in various fields of technical cooperation on governmental basis including the despatch of experts to developing nations, acceptance of trainees, and performance of basic investigations for exploitation and development programmes designed to promote the public good.

I would feel it a great honour if this Report should serve in some measure for the exploitation of the iron ore resources in Mexico, and for the enhancement of the friendly relations and close economic ties happily existing between our two countries.

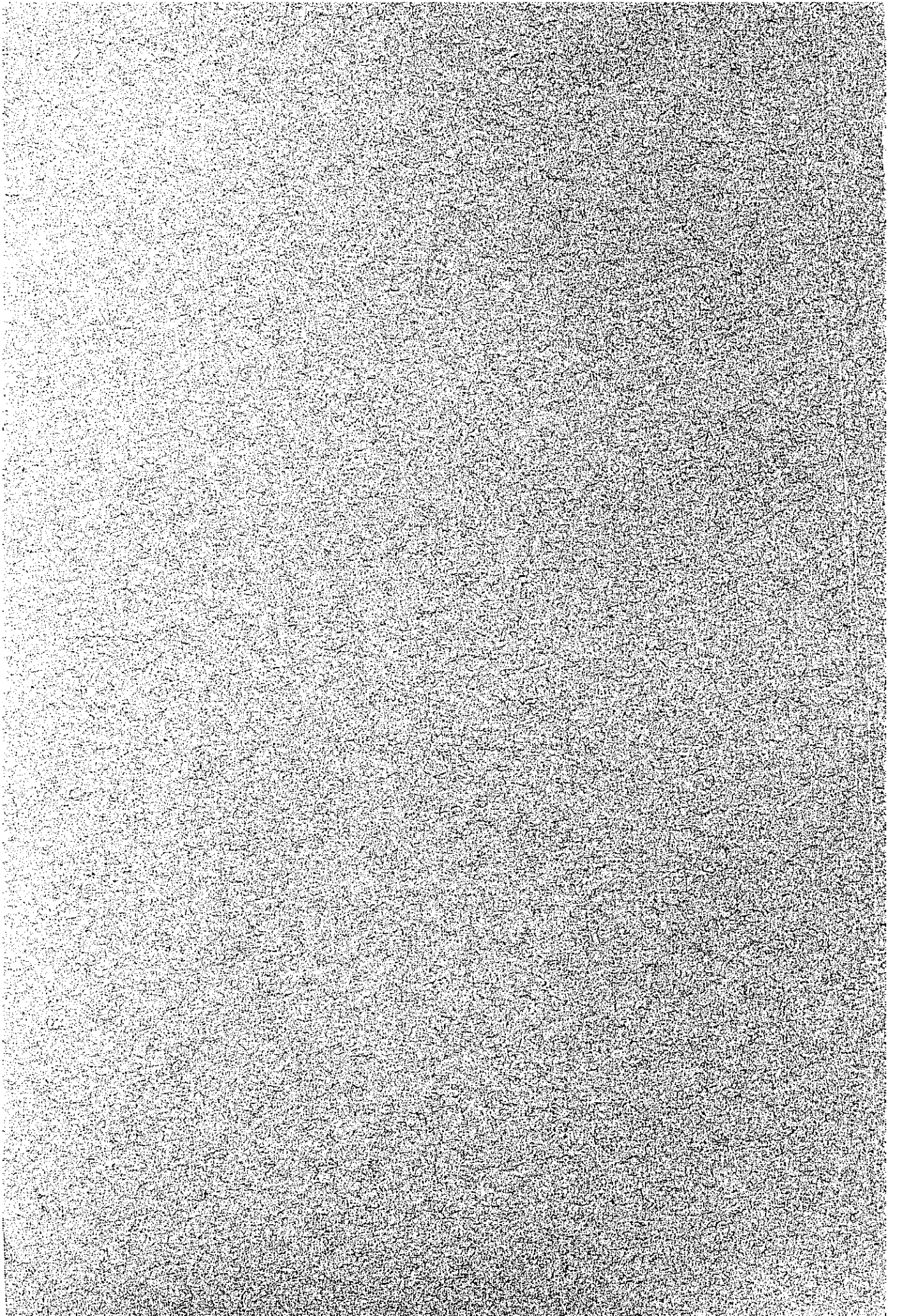
My deepest gratitude is hereby expressed to the Government of Mexico, affiliated organizations and other concerns for their invaluable assistance and cooperation.



Shinichi Shibusawa
Director General

The Overseas Technical Co-
operation Agency, Tokyo

1. INTRODUCTION



1. INTRODUCTION

1-1 Outline of Investigations

1-1-1 Title of Survey Team

The title of the Survey Team is as follows.

The Japanese Survey Team for Exploitation of Iron Ore
Deposit in Mexico.

1-1-2 Formation of Survey Team

Leader: Mr. Masatomo Hotta, Chief geologist, Nittetsu Mining Consultants
Co., Ltd.

Member: Mr. Kenji Miki
Mr. Shoji Sato
Mr. Hiroshi Morita
Mr. Taiji Sakaino
Mr. Masatoshi Hasegawa

1-1-3 Investigation Items

- (1) Peña Colorada Mine
 - (a) Geological investigations and preparation of a geological map indicating locations of ore deposits.
 - (b) Estimation of ore reserves and grades.
 - (c) Preparation of mining and beneficiation plans.
 - (d) Studies and review relative to the exploitation.
 - (e) Other related items.
- (2) Investigations on geology and deposits of iron ore mines other than the Peña Colorada mine in Colima Province and its vicinity, and affiliated investigations.

1-1-4 Period of Investigations

45 days from March 6 to April 29, 1964. (Period of investigations by Mr. Sato and Mr. Hasegawa was 29 days)

1-2 Itinerary

See the attached sheet for the itinerary of the Survey Team.

The Consejo de Recursos naturales no Renovables of Mexico rendered the Survey Team various facilities and assistance including the despatch of Mexican engineers who accompanied the Team not only during the investigations at the Peña Colorada

ITINERARY OF SURVEY TEAM

Date and Day	Mr. M. Hotta, Leader & geologist	Mr. H. Morita, Geologist	Mr. T. Sakaino, Surveying engineer	Mr. K. Miki, Mining engineer	Mr. S. Sato, Mining engineer	Mr. M. Hasegawa, Beneficiation engineer
Mar. 16, Mon.	(All members) Tokyo $\xrightarrow{\text{JAL}}$ Honolulu $\xrightarrow{\text{JAL}}$ San Francisco $\xrightarrow{\text{WAL}}$ Mexico City (Overnight at Mexico City)					
Mar. 17, Tue.	(All members) Courtesy call paid to the Japanese Embassy and the Natural Resources Bureau; Consultations with Ing. Obregon and Ing. Campo concerning the Team's schedule (")					
Mar. 18, Wed.	(All members) Data and materials provided by, and consultations made with, Ing. Campo of the Natural Resources Bureau; Inspection of core of diamond drilling at the Peña Colorada mine (")					
Mar. 19, Thu.	(All members) Ditto; Final arrangements for the Team's schedule (")					
Mar. 20, Fri.	(All members) Mexico City $\xrightarrow{\text{SAG}}$ Manzanillo, Preparations for camping including purchase of provisions (Overnight at Manzanillo)					
Mar. 21, Sat.	Courtesy call paid to the Governor of Colima Province by Mr. Hotta (All members) Manzanillo \longrightarrow Minatitlan (Overnight at Minatitlan)					
Mar. 22, Sun.	(All members) Rough inspection of iron ore deposits of the Pena Colorada mine (La Primorosa, La Encantada, Chinforinazo, & Espinazo del Diablo) (")					
Mar. 23, Mon.	Geological investigations and surveys of the Pena Colorada mine			Investigations of proposed site for beneficiation plant near Milan		(All members overnight at Minatitlan)
Mar. 24, Tue.	Ditto			Investigations on qualities of water		(")
Mar. 25, Wed.	Ditto			Investigations for the stripping plan of the deposits		Investigations of proposed site for beneficiation plant near Milan; Investigations on water qualities (")
Mar. 26, Thu.	Ditto			Observation of ravines; Study of mining plan		Investigations of the site for beneficiation plant (")
Mar. 27, Fri.	Investigations for the location and water for beneficiation plant, and for drinking water			Study of the railway plan	Study of the mining plan	Same as Mr. Hotta (")
Mar. 28, Sat.	Ditto			Study of the Project (")		
Mar. 29, Sun.	Ditto (Overnight at Minatitlan)			Minatitlan \longrightarrow Manzanillo		(Overnight at Manzanillo)
Mar. 30, Mon.	Ditto (")			Observation of the route proposed for transporting concentrates & earth moving machinery	Investigation of demand-supply situation of electricity; Investigations on port facilities	Same as Mr. Miki (Overnight at Manzanillo)

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Date and Day	Mr. Hotta	Mr. Morita	Mr. Sakaino	Mr. Miki	Mr. Sato	Mr. Hasegawa
Mar. 31, Tue.	Investigations for the location of, and water for, beneficiation plant; Investigations for drinking water (Overnight at Minatitlan)			Investigations on port facilities (Overnight at Colima)		Investigations on construction cost of structures
Apr. 1, Wed.	Ditto (")			Investigations of El Encino mine (")		
Apr. 2, Thu.	Ditto (")			SAG Colima → Mexico City; Progress of investigations reported at the Japanese Embassy; Compilation of data and materials (Overnight at Mexico City)		
Apr. 3, Fri.	Ditto (")			Consultations with Ing. Campo at Natural Resources Bureau (Overnight at Mexico City)	Investigations on earth moving machinery (Overnight at Mexico City)	Same as Mr. Miki
Apr. 4, Sat.	Preparation of a geological map indicating locations of deposits (")			Investigations on earth moving and mining machinery (Overnight at Mexico City)		Investigations on construction cost of structures
Apr. 5, Sun.	Ditto (")			Compilation of data and materials (")		
Apr. 6, Mon.	Ditto (")			Observation of Pachuca mine (")		
Apr. 7, Tue.	Minatitlan → Manzanillo; Specimen ores shipped to Japan (Overnight at Manzanillo)		Surveying at the Pena Colorado mine (Overnight at Mititlan)	Mexico City → Durango; Observation of Durango mine (Overnight at Durango)		(Overnight at Durango)
Apr. 8, Wed.	Manzanillo → Observation of El Encino mine → Colima (Overnight at Colima)		Ditto (")	SAG Durango → Mexico City (Overnight at Mexico City)		
Apr. 8, Thu.	Observation of El Encino district (")		Ditto (")	Investigations on earth moving machinery; Inspection of machine shop (Overnight at Mexico City)		Electric power situation explained by the Committee for Electric Power
Apr. 10, Fri.	SAG Colima → Mexico City (Overnight at Mexico City)		Ditto (")	Consultations for the Project; Courtesy call paid to the Japanese Embassy and the Consejo de Recursos Naturales no Renovables (Overnight at Mexico City)		
Apr. 11, Sat.	Consultations with Ing. Campo re: observation of Las Truchas (")		Ditto (")	Compilation of data and materials (Overnight at Mexico City)		

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Date and Day	Mr. Hotta	Mr. Morita	Mr. Sakaino	Mr. Mikk	Mr. Sato	Mr. Hasegawa
Apr. 12, Sun.	Compilation of data & materials (Overnight at Mexico City)		Surveying at Peña Colorada mine (Overnight at Minatitlan)	Compilation of data and materials (Overnight at Mexico City)		
Apr. 13, Mon.	Power situation explained by Vice-chairman of Committee for Electric Power; Consultations with Chief of Planning Sec. of Admiralty (")	Study of data of Las Truchas mine	Ditto (")	Same as Mr. Hotta (")	Departure from Mexico for Japan	
Apr. 14, Tue.	Mexico City $\xrightarrow{\text{SAG}}$ Uruapan $\xrightarrow{\text{Car}}$ Playa Azuru (Overnight at Playa Azuru)		Minatitlan $\xrightarrow{\text{Car}}$ Manzanillo (Overnight at Manzanillo)	Same as Mr. Hotta		
Apr. 15, Wed.	Playa Azul $\xrightarrow{\text{Car}}$ Las Truchas Observation of Las Truchas (")		Manzanillo $\xrightarrow{\text{SAG}}$ Mexico City (Overnight at Mexico City)	Ditto		
Apr. 16, Thu.	Playa Azul $\xrightarrow{\text{Car}}$ Uruapan (Overnight at Uruapan)		Compilation of data of the Peña Colorada mine (")	Ditto		
Apr. 17, Fri.	Uruapan $\xrightarrow{\text{SAG}}$ Mexico City (Overnight at Mexico City)		Ditto (")			
Apr. 18, Sat.	Consultations with the former chief of railway section of Communi- cation Ministry concerning the railway construction plan from Manzanillo to Peña Colorada (")					
Apr. 19, Sun.	Study of profiles of deposits of the Peña Colorada mine; Calculation of ore reserves; Study into the mining plan (")					
Apr. 20, Mon.	Ditto (")					
Apr. 21, Tue.	Ditto (")					
Apr. 22, Wed.	Ditto (")					
Apr. 23, Thu.	Results of investigations reported to the Japanese Ambassador; Collection of data and materials on Mexican mining industry (")					
Apr. 24, Fri.	Results of investigations explained to Ing. Obregon and Ing. Campo; Re-inspection of core of diamond drilling. (")					
Apr. 25, Sat.	Courtesy call paid to the Japanese Embassy; Collection of data on Mexican mining industry (")					
Apr. 26, Sun.	Compilation of data and materials; Preparations for departure (")					
Apr. 27, Mon.	Mexico City $\xrightarrow{\text{MAL}}$ Los Angeles $\xrightarrow{\text{JAL}}$ Honolulu $\xrightarrow{\text{JAL}}$ Tokyo.					
Apr. 29, Wed.						

mine but also when the El Encino mine and Las Truchas mine were observed by the Team. The Team's request for relevant data and materials was also met by the Council with sincerity, enabling the Team to smoothly conduct the investigations as scheduled.

1-3 Location

The mine is located about 5 km west to Minatitlan village (Municipios Minatitlan, Departamento Colima) which is about 43 km north-east from Port Manzanillo on a direct line. In terms of longitude and latitude, it is in the proximity of Long. $19^{\circ} 21' 37''$ N. and Lat. $104^{\circ} 03' 39''$ W.

1-4 Accessibility

Mexico City $\xrightarrow[550 \text{ km, } 8 \text{ hrs.}]{\text{By plane}}$ Port Manzanillo $\xrightarrow[62 \text{ km, } 8 \text{ hrs.}]{\text{Truck road}}$

Minatitlan $\xrightarrow[6 \text{ km, } 40 \text{ min.}]{\text{Jeep road}}$ Mine

The traffic route is available for truck transportation connecting Port Manzanillo and Minatitlan, but the road condition is bad and no bridges are found constructed over the rivers. From Minatitlan to the mine, the traffic route for jeep communication is available in the dry season. In the wet season, however, the jeep communication becomes extremely difficult.

1-5 Climate (Outline of Meteorological Observation)

The results of meteorological observations made at Minatitlan for 3 years and 8 months from June 1960 to March 27, 1964 are as summarized below.

(1) Precipitation

The wet and dry seasons are clearly separated. The wet season starts from mid-June and ends around October 10, and the duration of the wet season recurs at almost regular intervals. During the dry season, there is very little rainfall, with practically no rainfall at all during 5 months from January to June.

During the 4 month period from June to October in the wet season, there are 15 - 20 rainy days each month, with precipitation recording 5 - 30 mm per day for half of the rainy days, 30 - 50 mm per day for 3 - 5 rainy days, and 50 mm and up for about 2 rainy days.

According to the above observation, the largest amount of rainfall recorded during the past 3 years and 8 months is 93 mm per day, with 5 rainy days which recorded 70 mm and up per day. Rainy days with the precipitation of more than 70 mm are therefore assumed to be 1 - 2 days throughout a year.

(2) Velocity of wind

Maximum wind velocity of 8 - 12 m/s is recorded most frequently.

(3) Temperature

Results of observations during the period from January to March 1964 indicate that the temperature rises to a maximum of 30 - 34°C and falls to a minimum of 8 - 15°C. Throughout the year, the temperature never drops below 0°C.

(4) Humidity

The humidity is expressed by the volume of evaporation. The recording of evaporation during January - March period in the dry season is 2 - 6 mm per day. During June - September period in the wet season, it averages 2 - 7 mm per day, indicating that there is no fluctuation throughout the year.

Meteorology at Minatitlan

(As summarized from the records of
Minatitlan Meteorological Observatory)

April 23, 1964 (2)

No. of Days by Precipitation and Velocity of Wind

Table No. 1-June to December 1960

Month	<u>No. of days by precipitation (mm)</u>							<u>No. of days by wind velocity (m/s)</u>					
	0	0-5	5-15	15-30	30-50	+05	Max. mm/day	05-4	4-8	8-12	12-16	16-25	+25
6	19	7	3	1	-	-	22	2	10	18	-	-	-
7	10	5	10	3	3	-	43	2	12	13	6	-	-
8	10	7	7	5	2	-	33	-	3	23	4	1	-
9	13	5	4	5	1	2	62	4	15	9	2	-	-
10	26	-	3	-	1	1	53	2	1	25	3	-	-
11	26	1	1	2	-	-	28.5	4	11	14	-	1	-
12	24	4	3	-	-	-	6.5	5	5	19	1	-	-

Table No. 2 - January to December 1961

Month	<u>Days by precipitation (mm)</u>						Max. mm/day	<u>Days by wind velocity (m/s)</u>					
	0	0-5	5-15	15-30	30-50	+50		05-4	4-8	8-12	12-16	16-25	+25
1	27	2	1	-	1	-	50	2	11	18	-	-	-
2	28	-	-	-	-	-	0	-	1	22	5	-	-
3	31	-	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	21	10	-	-
4	30	-	-	-	-	-	0	-	2	21	7	-	-
5	30	1	-	-	-	-	25	-	3	28	-	-	-
6	6	5	11	5	2	1	60	1	4	18	5	1	1
7	13	4	6	2	5	1	67	3	6	17	1	3	1
8	14	3	6	6	2	-	44	1	11	12	7	-	-
9	10	1	8	7	4	-	55	2	7	16	5	-	-
10	25	-	1	3	1	-	40	4	10	15	2	-	-
11	29	1	-	-	-	-	1	3	11	16	-	-	-
12	31	-	-	-	-	-	0	5	22	4	-	-	-

Table No. 4 - January to December 1962

Month	<u>Days by precipitation (mm)</u>						Max. mm/day	<u>Days by wind velocity (m/s)</u>					
	0	0-5	5-15	15-30	30-50	+50		0.5-4	4-8	8-12	12-16	16-25	+25
1	31	-	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	24	7	-	-
2	28	-	-	-	-	-	0	-	1	10	18	1	-
3			-	-	-	-		-	-			7	-
4	29	1	-	-	-	-	1.5	-	-	5	22	2	1
5	27	4	-	-	-	-	30	-	-	7	24	-	-
6	16	7	3	2	1	1	83.5	-	-	4	21	5	-
7	6	9	6	3	5	2	77.5	-	3	24	1	2	1
8			-	-	-	-		-	-			-	-
9	8	6	6	4	6	-	47	-	-	22	7	-	1
10	18	5	7	1	-	-	19	-	-			-	-
11	26	3	1	-	-	-	6.5	-	-	28	2	-	-
12	26	2	2	1	-	-	21.5	-	-	30	1	-	-

Table No. 5 - January to March 1964

Month	<u>Days by precipitation (mm)</u>						Max. mm/day	<u>Days by wind velocity (m/s)</u>					
	0	0-5	5-15	15-30	30-50	+50		0.5-4	4-8	8-12	12-16	16-25	+25
1	30	1	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	1	27	3	-	-
2	29	-	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	25	4	-	-
3	27	-	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	16	11	-	-

1-6 Topography

Pena Colorado district is located around the end of the mountain range which stretches along the coastline of the Pacific Ocean. The ore deposits are located on the highland with EL. 1,000 - 1,500 m, near the point where the River Marabasco, which runs westward in this area, changes its name to Paticajo Minatitlan. Outcrops of ore body are found on the slope extending from the north-eastern to south-eastern side of the Pena Colorado Peak, as well as over the adjoining ridge (EL 950 - 1,200 m) forming a cliff.

The River Paticajo Minatitlan maintains, even in the dry season, a considerable rate of flow which, it is assumed, may be utilized for industrial purposes when the mine has been exploited.

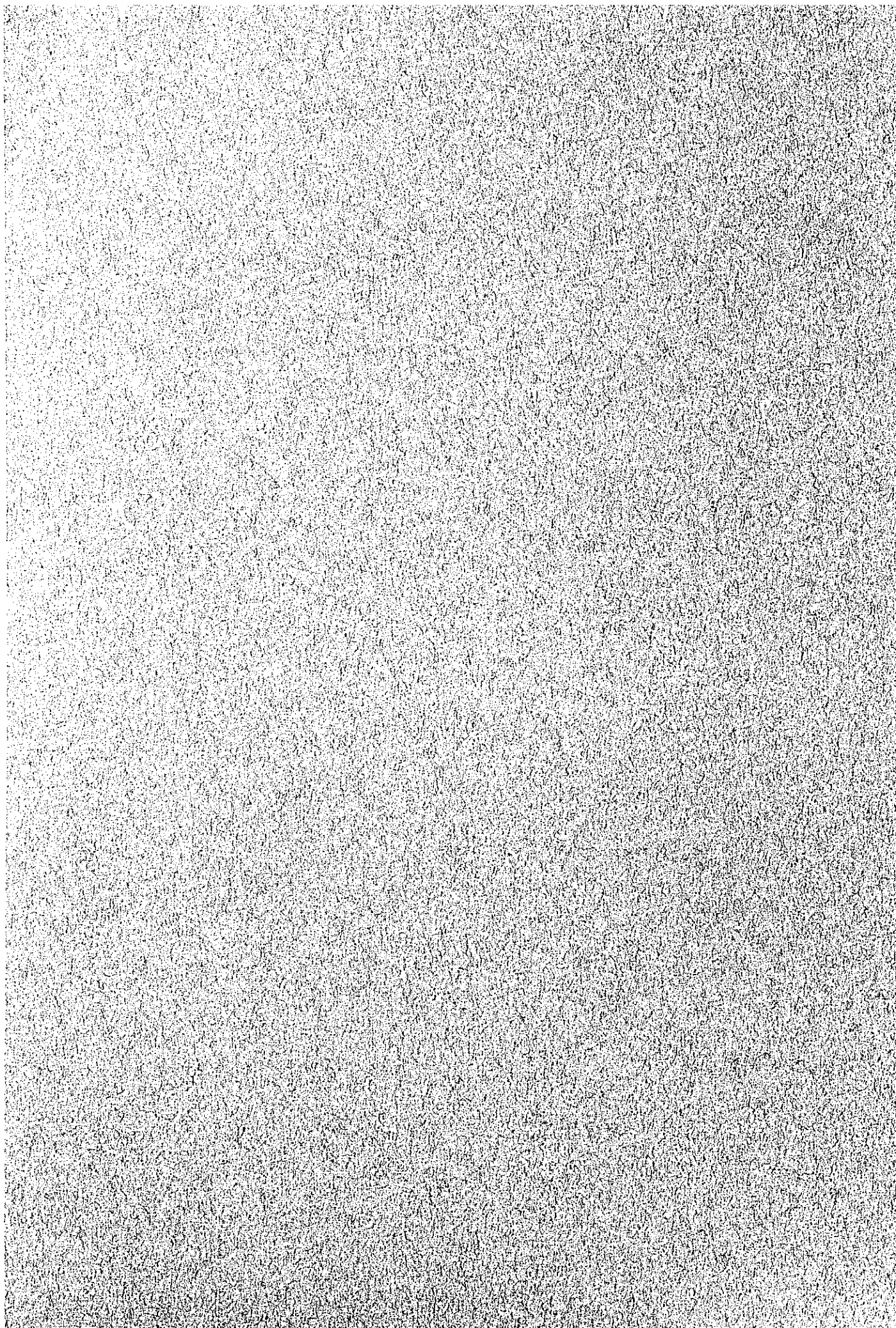
2. REGIONAL GEOLOGY, AND ORE DEPOSITS

2-1 Regional Geology

Stratigraphic Column in the Peña Colorado Mine Area

Era	Period	Sedimentary Rocks		Igneous Rocks
		Formation	Rocks	
Cenozoic	Quaternary	Formation of terrasse	Alluvial deposits (Pebble - cobble gravel deposits)	
	Upper Tertiary		Breccia	Porphyrite
Mesozoic	Cretaceous		Limestone	Diorite

2. REGIONAL GEOLOGY AND ORE DEPOSITS



The deposit area is geologically composed of lime stone belonging to the Cretaceous of the Mesozoic Era with diorite intrusives forming the batholith, both being penetrated by porphyrite dyke and covered by breccia.

The lime stone is distributed, as roof pendant in the diorite batholith, in limited areas on the slope facing south, west of Espinazo del Diable as well as on the slope facing north, east of Primorosa, both located upstream of the Arroyo Encantada. It was found to have transformed into crystalline lime stone by thermal metamorphism caused by the intrusion of diorite.

The diorite, which was widely skarnized as a result of the deposit formation, contains certain amounts of impregnated magnetite. The fresh diorite can be found only in the mid-stream of the A. Encantada Ravine.

The porphyrite in this area forms a dyke with the width of less than 5 m, and intrudes diorite and the ore deposits at different points in the directions of $N 60^{\circ} E$, $N 60^{\circ} W$ and $N 5^{\circ} - 10^{\circ} W$, etc.

The porphyrite is not affected by mineralization by iron. The breccia is the newest of all the rocks in the area and is found widely distributed over the ridge line extending in the west from the ridge of Peña Colorada north of this area. It contains diorite, porphyrite, skarn, iron ore and andesite breccia,

2-2 Ore Deposits

The iron ore deposits at this mine are bedded or irregular massive magnetite deposits found mostly in diorite and partly at the contact zone of diorite and lime stone. The massive ore deposits (high grade ore) can be divided into 6 bonanzas, i.e., La Encantada (North), La Encantada, Chinforinazo, La Chula (North), Espinazo del Diablo, and La Primorosa. The first 4 merge into disseminated ores (low grade ores). The ore consists mainly of magnetite, with small amount of hematite and extremely small quantities of chalcopyrite, sphalerite, bornite, chalcocite. Gangue minerals are skarn minerals including feldspar, chlorite, pyroxene (augite and hedenbergite), epidote, calcite, phlogopite, and extremely small amount of apatite, zircon, cassiterite, titanite and minerals similar to brushite or dufrenite.

The deposits are almost all embodied in diorite. They are considered to have been formed by the intrusion of diorite into lime stone which resulted in the latter's being found in diorite and further caused some portions of the diorite to be rich in lime content by hybridism, and by subsequent mineralization which led to the replacement of the said portions. Judging from the minerals dis-

covered, they are metasomatic deposits.

2-3 Description of Each Deposit

2-3-1 La Encantada (North), La Encantada, Chinforinazo

The deposits extending on the steep slope facing east on the western bank of A. Encantada Ravine are called, from north to east, by the above names.

The deposits are contained mostly in diorite. La Encantada Deposit (North) exists at the contact of diorite and lime stone which forms the footwall of the deposit. These deposits are joined with one another by low grade ores and are considered to be a chain of linked deposits.

Since these deposits strike in N - W with a gentle dip of about 10° SW, outcrops can be traced for about 1,500 km from north to south on the steep slope facing east.

The thickness of the deposits are as follows:

La Encantada (North):	15 - 35 m in the high grade ore
La Encantada	: 30 - 65 m in the high grade ore
Chinforinazo	: Fluctuations between 15 - 50 m is noticed; the central part is the thinnest, becoming thicker towards north and south.

9 diamond drilling tests covering a total of 1,127.28 m of bore length were conducted between the depths of 50 - 200 m of the deposits in order to clarify the condition of development. Each bore reached the ore body and not much fluctuation was noticed with regard to the thickness of the ore body. (Besides these 9 drilling tests, 2 drillings with bore length of 114.91 m were conducted, but one of them was suspended before reaching the ore body)

These high grade ores were sometimes found accompnied by disseminated ores on their hanging or foot wall side. The thickness of the disseminated ores is as follows:

La Encantada (North):	50 - 20 m on the hanging wall side
La Encantada	: 10 - 40 m on the hanging and foot wall side
Chinforinazo	: 10 - 20 m on the hanging wall side or on the foot wall side

2-3-2 Espinazo del Diablo

The deposit extending over the ridge area on the east of A. Encantada Ravine

is called Espinazo del Diablo Deposit. This deposit lies mostly in diorite, and is slightly linked with La Encantada Deposit by disseminated ores. It is presumed that it is an extension of the deposit in the west which was mostly worn by heavy erosion in the past. The present deposit is therefore considered a part of this deposit in the west. At the central part of the deposit, diorite is found on the hanging wall side. The deposit, 550 m in length and 10 - 50 m in thickness, consists mainly of massive ores containing 55 - 56% Fe, with disseminated ores on some parts of the foot wall side.

2-3-3 La Primorosa

This deposit lies in diorite exposed for 250 m on the slope facing east, located to the north-west of Mt. Peña Colorada. It strikes N-W with a dip of 10° SW. It is an extension of the main deposit group in the south, and consists of thin massive ores with the belt of disseminated ore on its hanging wall side. The ore grades are extremely poor when compared with those of the southern deposit group, and cannot therefore be the object of mining. At the present stage, it is not considered to be linked with the deposit group in the south by massive ores.

2-3-4 La Chula (North)

This deposit lies in diorite and extends over the ridge to the west of the southern end of the Chinforminazo Deposit. Ore grades at this deposit rank high among major deposits. The original deposit was almost eroded in the past and only a portion of it remains as the present deposit. Though small in scale with the length of 120 m max., width of 50 m and thickness of 10 - 50 cm, it consists mostly of massive ore of high grade.

2-4 Estimation of Ore Reserves and Grades

Estimation of ore reserves was made based on the overall results of investigations on outcrops as well as of the magnetic prospecting and 10 diamond drilling test conducted in the past. It is to be noted that 10 drilling tests do not at all suffice to obtain detailed and accurate data on the deposit which has a total extension of 1,500 m. Figures given below are the best obtainable results at the present stage. It is therefore suggested that diamond drilling tests be continuously performed in the future to secure increased ore reserves and to check their grades.

2-4-1 Tabulation of Ore Reserves and Grades

(1) Massive Ore (High grade ore)

Deposit	Proved	Probable	Total	Grade (%)		
				Fe	P	S
La Encantada (North) (A - C)	850,000 t	- t	850,000 t	53.01	0.262	
La Encantada (E - H)	5,649,000	656,000	6,305,000	56.83	0.253	
Chinforinazo	North (6-12)	2,067,000	8,708,000	54.24	0.073	
	South (12-18)	11,616,000	13,786,000	61.15	0.076	
	Sub-total	18,257,000	22,494,000	58.47	0.075	
Espinazo (1-11)	3,644,000	-	3,644,000	55.48	0.268	
Total	28,400,000	4,893,000	33,293,000	57.70	0.134	

(2) Disseminated Ore (Low grade ore)

Deposit	Proved	Probable	Total	Grade (%)		
				Fe	P	S
La Encantada (North) (A - D)	576,000 t	- t	576,000 t	23.59	0.259	
La Encantada (D - H)	2,293,000	8,000	2,301,000	31.12	0.186	
Chinforinazo (H - 16)	7,112,000	2,082,000	9,194,000	34.70	0.141	
Espinazo (1 - 11)	836,000		836,000	47.91	0.250	
Total	10,817,000	2,010,000	12,907,000	34.42	0.161	

GRAND TOTAL 39,217,000 6,983,000 46,200,000 51.20 0.142

Remarks: Grade percentage is expressed, as shown in the formula below, by the weighted average of boring and coutcrop

specimens.

Formula:
$$\frac{\text{Bore length} \times \text{grade} + \text{Total sampling length} \times \text{grade}}{\text{Bore length} + \text{Total sampling length}}$$

(3) Other Deposit

Deposit	Proved	Probable	Total	Grade (%) Fe
Primorosa	-	652,000 t	652,000 t	(55)
La Chula (North)	-	84,000	84,000	(54)
Total	-	736,000	736,000	(54.89)

Remarks: Grade percentages are presumed figures.

2-4-2 Ore Grade by Diamond Drilling Test (%)

Kind of ore	Deposit	Drilling Test No.	Fe	S	P
Massive Ore (High grade ore)	La Encantada	No. 10, 11	54.08	1.650	0.0591
	Chinforinazo (North)	No. 9, 8, 1	50.87	2.847	0.0631
	Chinforinazo (South)	No. 2, 4, 5, 6	57.39	2.338	0.0614
Disseminated Ore (Low grade ore)	La Encantada	No. 10	36.51	1.782	0.0569
	Chinforinazo	No. 6, 8, 9	34.75	2.95	0.0621

Drilling Test No.	Depth (ft)	Thickness (ft)	Fe	S	P
No. 1	50 - 132	82	58.02%	3.236%	0.0259%
No. 2	290 - 505.2	215.2	58.12	1.819	0.0813
	61 - 75	14	66.01	2.179	0.0159
No. 3	94.6 - 156	61.4	62.01	2.279	0.0458
	61 - 156	95	49.81	1.804	0.0322
No. 4	171 - 308	137	58.08	3.192	0.287
No. 5	186 - 232	46	50.78	1.287	0.0557

Drilling Test No.	Depth (ft)	Thickness (ft)	Fe	S	P
No. 6	360 - 527.33	167.33	57.71	2.595	0.0642
	305 - 360	55	38.41	1.854	0.0957
	305 - 527.33	222.33	52.93	2.411	0.0720
No. 8	256 - 335	79	46.91	3.28	0.0859
	335 - 385	50	32.43	3.015	0.0526
	256 - 335	129	41.30	3.178	0.073
No. 9	50 - 200	150	49.05	2.405	0.0714
	6 - 50 200 - 255	99	33.89	3.534	0.0483
	6 - 255	249	43.02	2.480	0.0622
No. 10	17.15 - 260	88.5	50.31	1.174	0.0910
	260 - 423.3	163.3	36.51	1.782	0.0569
	171.5 - 423.3	251.8	41.36	1.568	0.0689
No. 11	60 - 190	130	56.65	1.973	0.0374

Remarks : Ore grades revealed by outcrop specimens are higher than those by diamond drilling tests for both iron (massive ore in particular) and phosphorus. See the Grade Table below.

2-4-3 Ore Grades by Outcrop Specimen Test (%)

Kind of Ore	Deposit	No. of specimens & outcrop extension (m)	Fe	P
Massive Ore	La Encantada (North)	4 Sample 126 m	53.01	0.262
	La Encantada	14 Sample 461 m	57.22	0.281
	Chinforinazo, (North)	7 Sample 165 m	56.17	0.079
	" (South)	6 Sample 172 m	64.91	0.091
	Espinazo	10 Sample 309 m	55.48	0.268

Kind of Ore	Deposit	No. of specimens & outcrop extension (m)	Fe	P
Disseminated Ore	La Encantada (North)	2 Sample 39 m	23.59	0.259
	La Encantada	8 Sample 112 m	29.87	0.216
	Chinforinazo	8 Sample 280 m	34.69	0.159
	Espinazo	3 Sample 149 m	47.91	0.205

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The Peña Colorada iron ore deposit is characterized by the following features.

- (1) It is a bedded and metasomatic deposit, and its mother rock, diorite, is slightly skarnized. It accompanies disseminated ore on the hanging and foot wall side of the massive ore.
- (2) Up to date, 9 diamond drilling test were conducted for the purpose of exploring along the vertical extension of the deposit, with the result that each bore reached the ore body. The ore body was found extending with virtually no fluctuation in thickness.
- (3) The condition of massive ore extension as revealed by the outcrop specimen tests and by diamond drilling tests showed excellent stability, with little fluctuation in the ore grade. However, in the low grade ore which is poor in stability, it is presumed that contraction and expansion of the ore body and the fluctuation of ore grade are prevalent.
- (4) Judging from the present ore reserves, the annual production of concentrates would be limited to 1.2 million tons, which calls for prospecting for more ore reserves.

From the features given above, it is considered quite important for the mining of both massive and disseminated ores to clarify their distribution and grades. It will accordingly be necessary to further conduct drilling tests in the future in order to secure more ore reserves and to confirm their grades as well.

Desired Drilling Points and Bore Length (m)

<u>No.</u>	<u>Bore length</u>	<u>Dip</u>
1 A	200	-90°
2 A	140	"
3 A	150	"
4 A	250	"
5 A	200	"
1 B	200	"
2 B	320	"
3 B	380	"
Total:	8 bores	1,840 m

Remarks: No. 1 A - 5 A are included in the drilling programme
in 1964 by Mexico.

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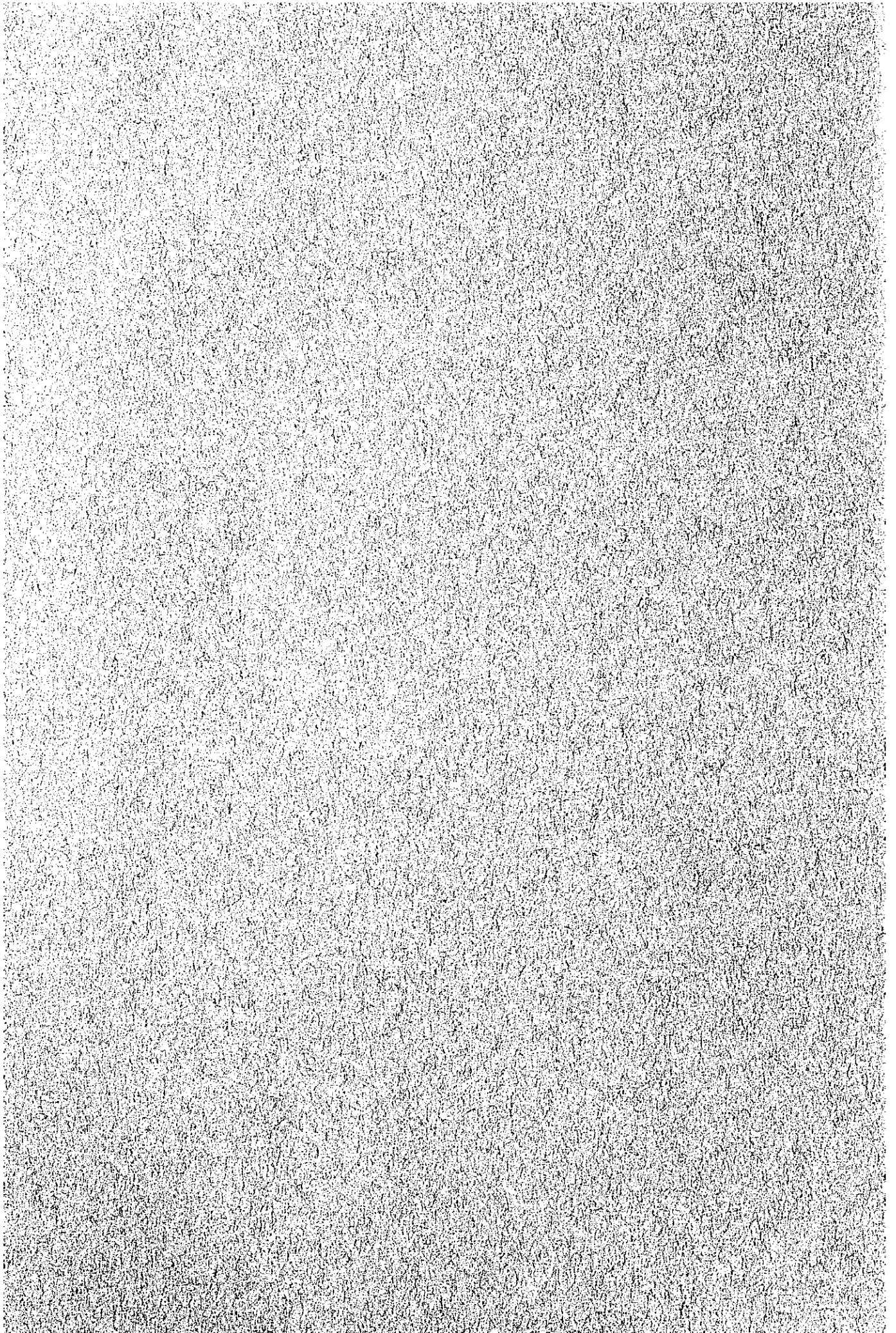
The exploitation of the Pena Colorada mine can be carried out based on two different plans.

The first of the two plans aims at producing iron ores for domestic consumption. In the second plan which comes up to the desire of the Government of Mexico, it is assumed that investment in the Peña Colorada mine by foreign concerns would continue until the iron mills in Mexico become capable of processing an additional 2 million tons of concentrates annually, and that repayment therefor would be made by ores.

The Survey Team conducted, chiefly for the second plan, investigations on ore reserves, basic investigations relating to mining and beneficiation and further performed beneficiation tests. On the basis of the results of these investigations and tests, the Team prepared Exploitation Plan A.

As for the first plan, Exploitation Plan B was prepared on the assumption that a new iron mill would be established in the vicinity of Manzanillo as the transportation of ores to the existing iron mills, located far from the mine, was considered disadvantageous. In this Plan B, profit calculation was not possible due to the fact that grades of Fe and P contents in the concentrates, size of lump ores and selling prices which the existing iron mills required

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were not available. However, trial calculation of initial investment amount and of estimated cost price was made based on various conditions for exploiting the mine.

The major difference between Plan A and Plan B is the grade of P content in the ores. If the ores are to be sent to Japan as suggested in Plan A, the grade of P content should be less than 0.05%, and the results of beneficiation tests call for the grinding to -200 mesh in order to obtain the desired low grade. The proposed grinding process would incur higher cost price of the ore when compared to that in Plan B which is not bound by such grade limitation of P content.

Exploitation Plan A

(Prepared on the assumption that iron ores
would be shipped to Japan)

1. Proper Production Amount

As a result of outcrop investigations and of explorations hitherto made, the ore reserves were assumed to amount to 46,200,000 tons (Fe 51.20, P 0.142). Workable ore reserves, presumed to be as tabulated below, vary by the condition of deposits, crude ores to be selected to maintain grade stability and by the conditions for mining.

<u>Mining method</u>	<u>Object ore reserves</u>	<u>Workable ratio</u>	<u>Workable ore reserves</u>	
			(dry ton)	(wet ton)
Open pit mining	11,600,000 t	Approx. 90%	10,200,000 t	10,500,000 t
Underground mining	31,700,000	" 60%	18,100,000	18,600,000
Total	43,300,000		28,300,000	29,100,000

As regards the object reserves in open pit mining, mining districts were confined to areas with the ratio of stripping 1 : 1. This was because of the extreme increase in the stripping volume which would occur on account of the steepness of the outcrop area and consequent expansion of the mining district.

Based on the above-tabulated figures, and in due consideration of the life of the mine and the conditions for underground mining as studied from the viewpoint of deposit conditions, it is considered appropriate, at the present stage, to set the scale of production at 1-1.2 million tons.

Since there is not much difference in the amount of initial expenses required for the annual production of 1 million tons and 1.2 million tons, the Survey Team set the proper production amount at 1.2 million tons a year, in which case the life of the mine would be about 16 years.

2. Preconditions for the annual production of 1.2 million tons of pellet

(1) Mining

Ratio of crude ores by open pit mining against those by underground mining was set at 1 : 1. After completion of mining of the object reserves in open pit areas, the entire production would be obtained by underground mining.

Ratio of stripping against crude ores should be 1 : 0.83. Underground mining is to be mechanized as far as possible.

(2) Beneficiation

As already stated in 2-4 (Estimation of ore reserves, etc.), the grade of P content in the ore is rather high. Since it was considered necessary to reduce the grade of P content to less than 0.05%, and also to utilize the ores in the form of pellet, the beneficiation plan was drawn up with the grain size at -200 mesh, which is in accordance with the results of the beneficiation tests.

All sliming magnetic separation process is to be adopted at the beneficiation plant to be established in Milan district about 2 km from the deposit on a direct line.

Yield percentage : 65.5%
 Size of concentrates : -325 mesh 85%
 Grade of P content in concentrate: 0.03%

(3) Production Plan of Concentrates

<u>Output</u>	<u>Concentrates (in dry tons)</u>	<u>Crude ores</u>	<u>Stripping</u>	<u>Total output</u>	<u>Drifting</u>
Annual output	1,200,000 t	1,800,000 t	750,000 t	2,550,000 t	2,700 m
Monthly "	100,000	150,000	75,000	225,000	225
Average output/day	3,220	6,000	3,000	9,000	9
Maximum output/day	-	7,000	3,600	-	-
Maximum output/hour	-	500	500	-	-

(4) Ore Transportation

Ores can be transported from the mine to Manzanillo by 3 different means, i. e., (a) railway transport, (b) land transport by trucks, and (c) slurry

transporting. As already stated, ores must be ground to -200 mesh in order to maintain the grade of P content below 0.05%. For the purpose of maintaining the desired low grade of P content and to cut down the cost price, the Survey Team considered it more preferable to establish, at the foot of the mine, a beneficiation plant from which the processed ores are to be directly transported by slurry transporting to the pelletizing plant at Manzanillo rather than to transport ores by railway or trucks and perform the beneficiation at the beneficiation plant at Manzanillo. The Survey Team therefore adopted slurry transportation in this Report.

It is to be noted, however, that further review should be made on the problem of ore transportation since no reconnaissance was conducted on the proposed transportation route nor experts specialized in railways or roads were among the Team members.

Outline of the 3 different methods of ore transportation is as given below.

(a) Railway transport

Consultations with the Mexican authorities resulted in the assumption that if a railway line were to be established, the amount to be invested therein should be refunded by exploiting the Peña Colorada mine.

The cost for railway construction would, according to the Mexican engineers, be approximately ¥50,000 per m (US\$140.- per m). They reported, however, that since no reconnaissance had been made on the proposed route between the mine and Manzanillo, the above unit cost would be liable to a considerable change in case the field survey be conducted in the future.

Judging from the topographical map prepared on the basis of aerial photographs as well as from the observation made within a limited area, the Survey Team reached the conclusion that the unit cost per m would amount to at least about ¥70,000 (US\$190.-). An estimated investment amount of as much as ¥6 - 7 billion (US\$16 - 17 million) would consequently be required for the construction of the railway line that covers the 70 km distance between the mine and Manzanillo, as well as for the purchase of locomotives, freight cars and other necessary facilities.

Repayment amount per ton of concentrates (annual production: 1.2 million tons) for the above investment amount of ¥7 billion would be

as follows provided that the interest is 10% per annum.

In case of 10 year depreciation period: ¥949/ton (US\$ 2.64)

In case of 25 year depreciation period: ¥642/ton (US\$ 1.78)

As indicated above, there would be a difference of about ¥300 (US\$0.83) according to the length of depreciation period.

(Judging from the life of the mine, it is believed that the depreciation should be completed in 10 years, though it is desired by the Mexican authorities to protract it over a 25 year period)

With regard to the transport cost, it was estimated at ¥1.80/t/km (US\$0.005/t/km) on the basis of data made available by the Mexican authorities. In consequence, the cost of transport from the mine to Manzanillo would be ¥126/t (US\$0.35/t). If the loading and unloading charges are added to this amount, the total transport cost would amount to about ¥226/t (US\$0.63). It is presumed, from the above calculation, that the cost of ores would be ¥1,175 (US\$3.26) per ton.

(b) Land Transport by Trucks

As in the case of railway transport, no reconnaissance had been made along the proposed route, resulting in the inability to obtain the definite stripping volume. It was therefore impossible to compute the unit construction cost.

Since the transportation of the annual output of 1.2 million tons would naturally call for the use of big trucks, a paved road with the width ranging from 10 m (effective width : 9 m) to 15 m (effective width : 13 m) would be required. Further, the roadbed should be at least 0.57 m in thickness, and the unscreened gravels of 0.30 m thickness should be laid at the bottom where the ground condition is found deteriorated.

The cost for constructing such a road is estimated to range between ¥30,000 (US\$80.-) and ¥40,000 (US\$110.-) per m, which leads to the inference that the construction cost covering the entire 70 km distance from the mine to Manzanillo would roughly be 2.5 billion yen (US\$7 million). Assuming that the cost for constructing bridges, etc. were ¥500 million, the total cost required would be as much as ¥3 billion (US\$13 million) (US\$8.3 million).

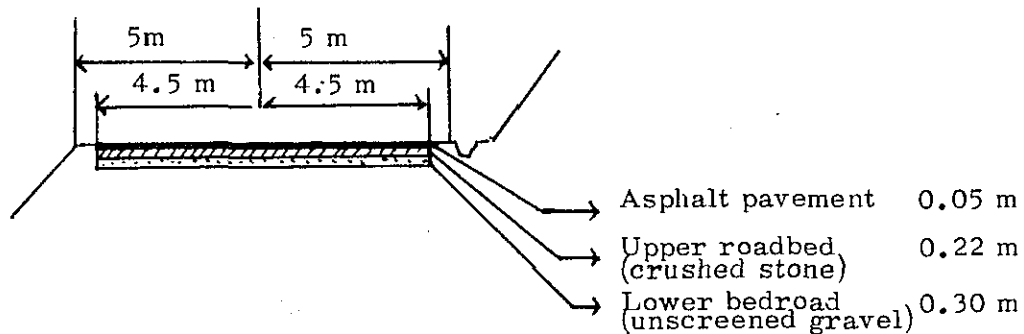
Repayment amount per ton of concentrates (annual production : 1.2 million tons) for the estimated ¥3 billion investment amount would be about ¥407 (US\$1.13) provided that the interest is 10% per annum and the depreciation period is 10 years.

(US\$ 83 million)

Cost of transport is estimated to amount to at least ¥10 - 15/t/km (US\$0.028 - 0.042/t/km). Cost covering 70 km distance would therefore be ¥700 - 1,050/t (US\$1.94 - 2.92/t).

From the above calculation, cost of ores to be transported by trucks is presumed to average ¥1,282 (US\$3.56).

Profile of Road



(c) Slurry Transportation

This item is described in detail under 4-4.

It is estimated that the initial expenses required would amount to approximately ¥1.6 billion (US\$440 thousand approx.). This leads to the estimation that the repayment amount per ton of concentrates (annual production : 1.2 million tons) for the above-mentioned sum would be ¥217 (US\$0.60). Operation cost per ton of concentrates is estimated not to exceed ¥74 (US\$0.20). Transport cost of concentrates from the mine to Manzanillo is therefore estimated to be about ¥241 (US\$0.80) per ton, which is apparently by far the cheapest when compared to the cost estimated to be incurred by railway or land transportation. And it is the opinion of the Survey Team that the Slurry Transportation would be the most preferable.

The only outstanding problems in materializing this plan are a) the unit cost which is liable to change after the field survey has been conducted, since no reconnaissance has been made along the proposed route excepting a small portion, and b) the complete tests on the slurry transportation over a distance of 70 km which should be conducted prior to the implementation of the proposed exploitation.

(5) Pelletizing Plant

The pelletizing plant will be established in the industrial zone near Port Manzanillo.

As stated in (c) above, ores will be transported by slurry transportation from the mine to the pelletizing plant. A pipe line will be laid for the 70 km distance between the mine and Manzanillo, and along the pipe line way will also be constructed a communication road for automobiles.

The annual productive capacity of the plant will be set at 1.2 million tons. Ore conveyance from the plant to the loading port is to be performed by belt conveyors, and the stock pile yard will be in the loading area.

(6) As regards the construction works required at the port, the mine side will undertake only the construction of loading facilities and shore protection works, and the Mexican Navy will carry out the channel and drainage works.

(7) For marine transportation of ores, a freighter of 45,000 - 50,000 tons is to be utilized.

(8) Other related matters

(a) Electric power required is to be purchased at ¥4/KW (US\$0.01/KW). The mine side will be responsible for the construction of power receiving facilities only.

(b) Working days will be as follows.

Mining and drifting	: 12 months/year (actual working days - 300 days)
Stripping	: 10 months/year (Work to be suspended during 2 months of the wet season when the precipitation is heavy)
Beneficiation	: 12 months/year (actual working days - 300 days)

(c) Machines, equipment and their spare parts as well as materials required for the Plan are to be imported free of import tax.

3. Personnel Plan for Pellet Production of 1.2 million tons/year

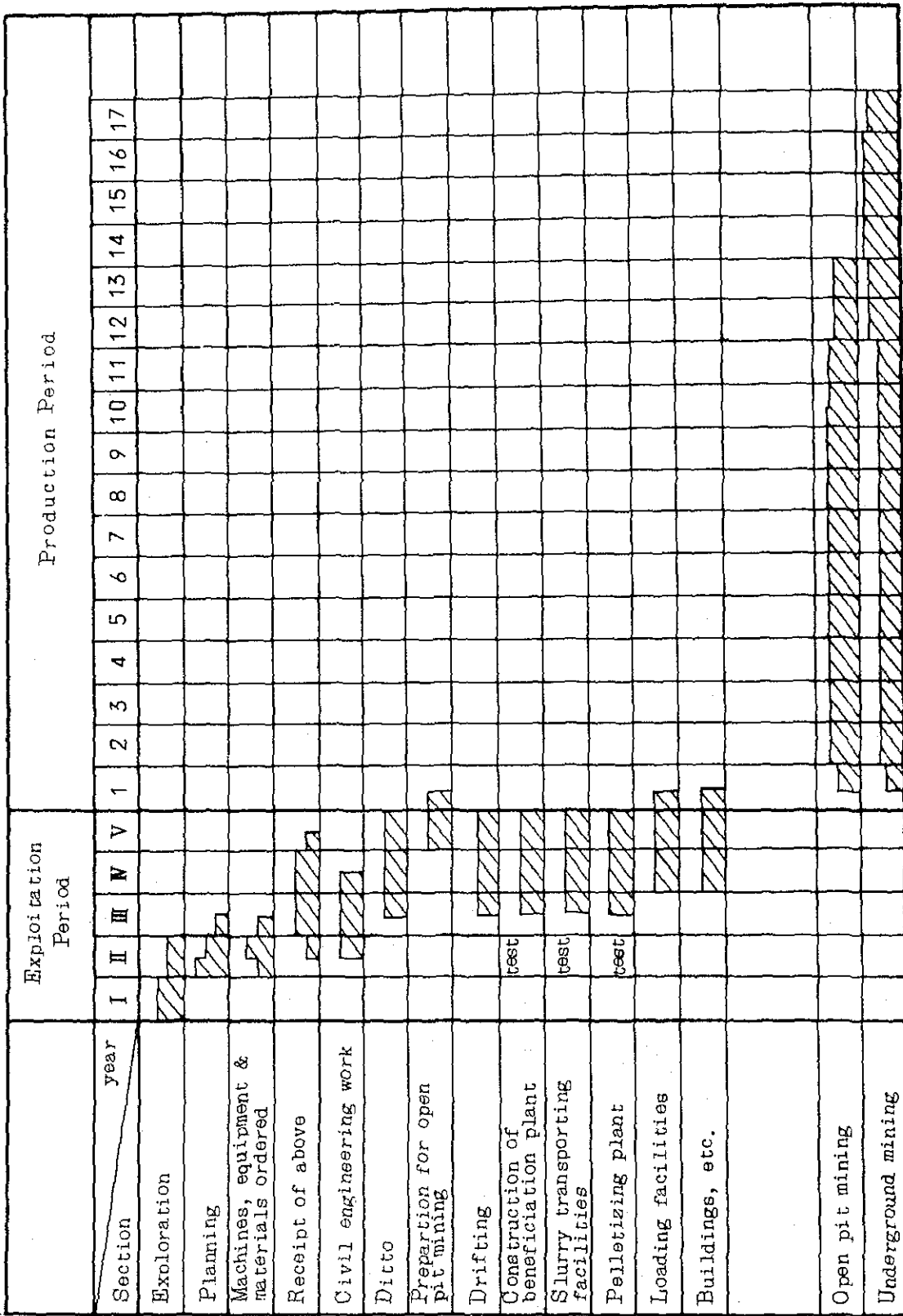
<u>Section</u>	<u>No. of actual working personnel</u>			<u>No. of registered personnel</u>		
	<u>Staff</u>	<u>Worker</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Staff</u>	<u>Worker</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mining						
Open pit mining	11	82	93	11	91	102
Underground mining	16	170	186	16	180	196
Sub-total	27	252	279	27	271	298
Beneficiation	8	55	63	8	65	73
Electric & mechanical facilities	8	25	33	8	30	38
Slurry transportation	4	30	34	4	36	40
Office and school	24	44	68	24	44	68
Total:	71	406	477	71	446	517
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Dehydration	-	6	6	-	8	8
Pelletizing plant	13	42	55	13	46	59
Loading facilities	3	30	33	3	30	33
Total:	16	78	94	16	84	100
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GRAND TOTAL:	87	484	571	87	530	617

4. Process of Exploitation Work for Pellet Production of 1.2 million tons/year

During the first stage of the exploitation works, priority should be given to the construction of the road for transportation of earth moving machinery along the proposed pipe line route. Efforts should be made in utilizing the existing road, wherever possible, for constructing such a road. Construction of the channel and drainage facilities should be completed within the proposed period of the exploitation works.

Process of exploitation works is as shown in the chart on the next page.

EXPLOITATION PROCESS



Experimental operation

Exploitation decided to be implemented

5. Calculation of Plant and Equipment Investment and of Estimated Cost Price

(1) Total Depreciation Funds

(See the tabulation of investment amount by section)

Construction period for the exploitation of the mine will be 5 years, and the total amount of funds required during this period for equipment and facilities will be about ¥12,979 million (US\$36.05 million approx.).

The above-mentioned funds for equipment and facilities will be required approximately 1.7 years before the year of commencement of production, though there will of course be some lag of time when the funds are actually required by each section of the exploitation work. With the interests of ¥2,206 million (US\$6.13 million) for 1.7 years added to the above funds, the total depreciation funds would amount to ¥15,185 million (US\$42.18 million).

(2) Yearly Depreciation Amount

(See the tabulation of investment amount by section)

If the above-mentioned funds are to be refunded, being equally divided for each year over a 10 year period after commencing the production, the yearly depreciation amount would be ¥2,470 million (US\$6.86 million) provided that the interest is set at 10% per annum.

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \text{(US\$42.18 million)} & \text{(Depreciation \%)} & \text{(US\$6.86 million)} \\ \text{¥15,185 million} & \times 1.67745 & \div 10 \text{ yrs} = \text{¥2,470 million/year} \end{array}$$

Conversion of this amount into one ton of concentrates is as follows.

$$\text{¥2,470 million} \div 1.2 \text{ million tons} = \text{¥2,059/ton (US\$5.72/ton)}$$

(3) Aggregate Cost Price of Concentrate per ton

(See the tabulation of operation cost)

Estimated operation cost	:	¥1,890/t (US\$11.58)
Yearly depreciation amount	:	¥2,059/t (US\$5.72)
Aggregate cost price	:	¥3,949/t (US\$17.30)

Tabulation of Investment Amount by Section

<u>Section</u>	<u>Investment Amount</u>	
	(Million Yen)	(Thousand Dollars)
Mining	1,875	5,208
Beneficiation	1,870	5,194

Tabulation of Investment Amount by Section - Cont'd -

<u>Section</u>	<u>Investment Amount</u>	
	(Million Yen)	(Thousand Dollars)
Mechanical & electrical facilities	107	297
Slurry transportation	1,600	4,444
Pelletizing plant	3,500	9,722
Port facilities	904	2,511
Administration	435	1,208
Others	2,688	7,466
<u>Total:</u>	<u>12,979</u>	<u>36,050</u>

Tabulation of Operation Cost by Section

<u>Section</u>	<u>Cost per ton of Concentrates</u>	
	(Yen)	(Dollars)
Mining	416	1.15
Beneficiation	390	1.08
Mechanical & electrical facilities	38	0.11
Slurry transportaton	74	0.21
Pelletizing plant	625	1.74
Port facilities	74	0.21
Administration	189	0.52
Sub-total	1,806	5.02
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Management expenses	42	0.12
Interests payable	42	0.12
<u>GRAND TOTAL:</u>	<u>1,890</u>	<u>5.25</u>

Exploitation Plan B

(Prepared on the assumption that ores will be produced for domestic consumption)

1. Production Amount

Of the total ore reseves of 46.2 million tons (Fe - 51.20%, P - 0.142%), only massive ores (Fe -57.70%, P - 0.13%) can be the object of exploitation by this plan. Due to their poor grades, disseminated ores cannot be exploited.

The workable ore reserves, calculated on the basis of the conditions for mining, are as tabulated below.

<u>Mining method</u>	<u>Object reserves</u>	<u>Workable ratio</u>	<u>Workable ore reserves</u>	
			(Dry ton)	(Wet ton)
Open pit mining	8,500,000 t	Approx. 90%	7,700,000 t	7,950,000 t
Underground mining	24,800,000	" 60%	13,800,000	14,200,000
Total:	33,300,000		21,500,000	22,150,000

Remarks: Open pit mining is limited to areas with the ratio of stripping below 1 : 1.

If lump ores are to be produced on the basis of the above figures, and on the presumption that the yield percentage would be 75% and the recovery percentage of beneficiation 90%, the concentrates to be produced would amount to about 13.5 million tons. Since no beneficiation tests were conducted on lump ores, ore grades were assumed to be Fe 60% and P 0.15%. It would therefore be proper to set the production amount at 1.5 - 1.7 million tons. However, for the purpose of comparing Plan B with Plan A, an assumption was made that the annual production would be 1.2 million tons. The life of the mine would be 11 years.

2. Preconditions

- (1) An iron mill is to be established near Port Manzanillo and lump ores are to be transported to the mill for processing.
- (2) Sizes of lump ores are set at 1 - 1/2", 1/2 - 1/4".
- (3) The fine ores and lump ores were assumed to be in the ratio of 25% (fine ore) to 75% (lump ore).
- (4) Crude ores are to undergo primary and secondary crushing process and be concentrated after being sieved into two groups of the above-mentioned different sizes.
- (5) Concentrates will be transported to the iron mill by a railway line to be constructed covering the 70 km distance between the mine and the mill.

3. Calculation of Investment Amount and Estimated Cost Price

Plan B differs from Plan A in that the grinding and de-watering are excluded from the beneficiation process, and that no pipe transportation, pelletizing plant nor port facilities are included. Ores are to be transported by rail

directly to the iron mill at Manzanillo. Estimation of cost price was made on the assumption that the bases of calculation are identical as those used for Plan A.

(1) Total Investment Amount

Investment Amount	: ¥ 12800 million(US\$ 36 million)	} Total: ¥15006million(US\$ 42million) (See the tabulation below)
Interest payable during exploitation period	: ¥ 2,206 million(US\$ 6 million)	

(2) Aggregate cost price of concentrates per ton

Operation cost	: ¥1095(US\$ 304)	} Total : ¥ 3,129(US\$ 869) (See the tabulation below)
Yearly depreciation amount	: ¥2034(US\$ 565)	

If ores are to be transported by trucks, amounts given (1) and (2) above would change as follows.

(1)' Total Investment Amount

Investment amount	: ¥8,100 million(US\$ 22 million)	} Total: ¥9,477million(US\$26million) (See the tabulation below)
Interest payable during exploitation period	: ¥1,377 million(US\$ 4 million)	

(2)' Aggregate cost price of concentrates per ton

Operation cost	: ¥2,151(US\$ 598)	} Total : ¥ 3,249(US\$ 902) (See the tabulation below)
Yearly depreciation amount	: ¥1,098(US\$ 304)	

Tabulation of Investment by Section (Railway Transportation)

<u>Section</u>	<u>Investment Amount</u>	
	(Million Yen)	(Thousand Dollars)
Mining	1,875	5,208
Beneficiation	1,370	3,806
Mechanical & electrical facilities	87	242
Railway line	7,000	19,444
Administration	435	1,208
Others	2,033	5,647
<u>Total:</u>	<u>12,800</u>	<u>35,555</u>

Tabulation of Operation Cost by Section (Railway Transportation)

<u>Section</u>	<u>Cost per ton of concentrates</u>	
	(Yen)	(US\$)
Mining	416	1.15
Beneficiation	150	0.42
Mechanical & electrical facilities	30	0.08
Railway line	226	0.62
Administration	189	0.53
Sub-total	1,011	2.80
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Management expenses	42	0.12
Interests payable	42	0.12
<u>GRAND TOTAL:</u>	<u>1,095</u>	<u>3.04</u>

Tabulation of Investment Amount by Section (Land Transport)

<u>Section</u>	<u>Investment Amount</u>	
	(Million Yen)	(Thousand Dollars)
Mining	1,875	5,208
Beneficiation	1,370	3,806
Mechanical & electrical facilities	87	242
Transportation (Investment in road construction only)	2,500	7,000
Administration	435	1,208
Others	1,833	5,092
<u>Total:</u>	<u>8,100</u>	<u>22,556</u>

Tabulation of Operation Cost by Section (Land Transport)

<u>Section</u>	<u>Cost per ton of Concentrates</u>	
	(Yen)	(US\$)
Mining	416	1.15
Beneficiation	150	0.42
Mechanical & electrical facilities	30	0.08
Transportation	1,282	3.56
Administration	189	0.53
Sub-total:	2,067	5.74
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Management expenses	42	0.12
Interests payable	42	0.12
<u>GRAND TOTAL:</u>	<u>2,151</u>	<u>5.98</u>

N. B. Transportation of ores is to be undertaken by a contractor.

4. EXPLOITATION PLAN IN DETAIL (Plan A)

4-1 Mining Section

4-1-1 Ore Reserves (In thousand tons)

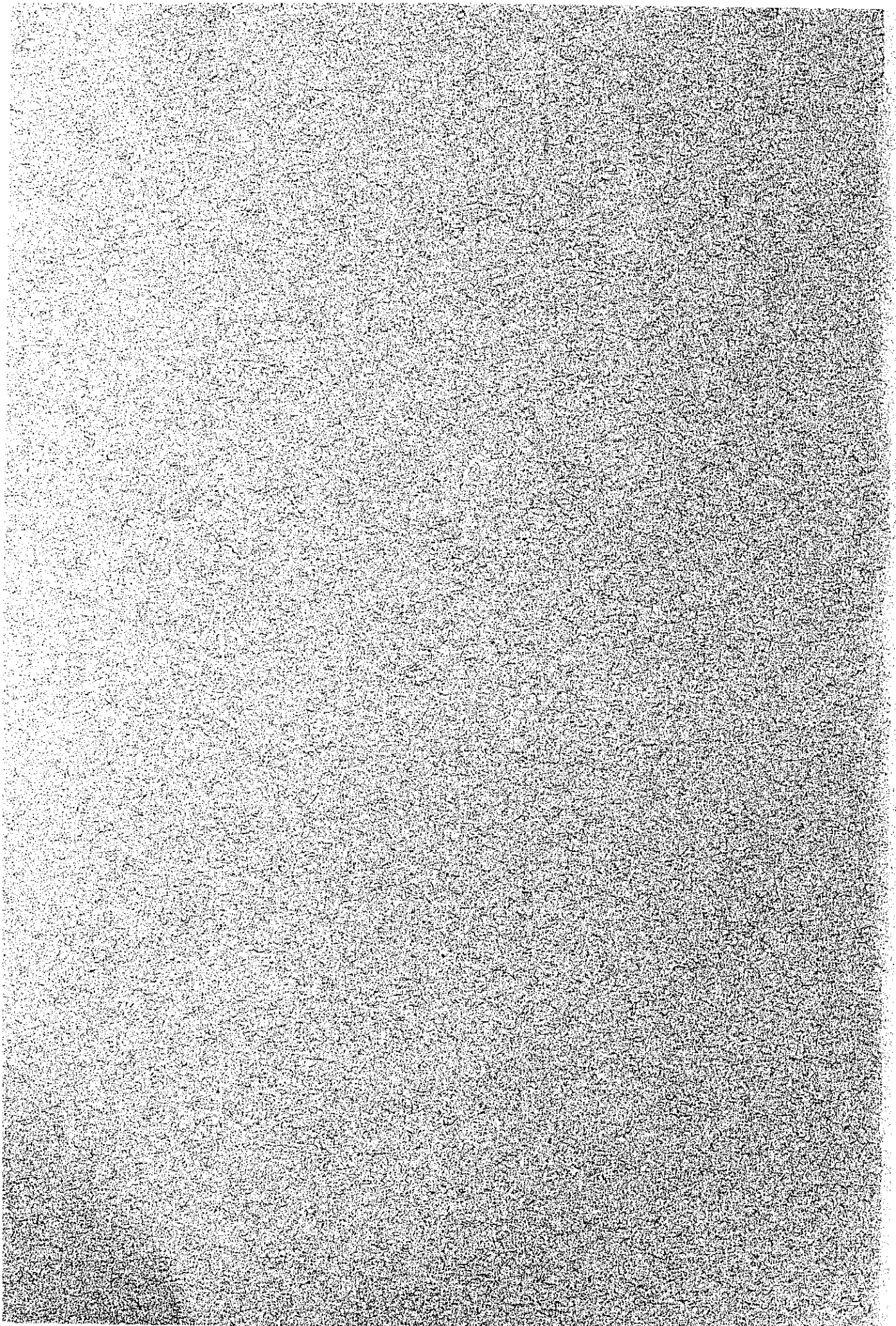
<u>Kind of ore</u>	<u>Confirmed</u>	<u>Presumed</u>	<u>Total</u>
Massive ore	28,400	4,893	33,293
Disseminated ore	10,817	2,090	12,907
<u>Total:</u>	<u>39,127</u>	<u>6,983</u>	<u>46,200</u>

4-1-2 Ore Reserves by Object Mining Area (In thousand tons)

<u>Area</u>	<u>Object ore reserves</u>	<u>Workable ratio</u>	<u>Workable ore reserves</u>	
			(dry)	(wet)
Open pit mining area	11,600	Approx. 90%	10,200	10,500
Underground mining area	31,700	" 60%	18,100	18,600
<u>Total</u>	<u>43,300</u>	<u>" 65%</u>	<u>28,300</u>	<u>29,100</u>

Remarks: Decrease in the workable ratio is caused by refraining from mining disseminated ore, thereby to maintain the grade stability.

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4-1-4 Life of Mine (As judged from the present ore reserves)

Production scale : 1.2 million tons of concentrates per year (dry ton, Fe - 67%)
 1.752 million tons of crude ore per year (dry ton, Fe - 50%)

Life of the Mine : 28.3 million tons (workable ore reserves) → 1.752 million tons = 16.2 years

4-1-5 Production Plan by Year (In thousand wet tons)

	<u>Open pit mining</u>		<u>Underground mining</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	(Annual output)	(Accumulated output)	(Annual output)	(Accumulated output)	(Annual output)	(Accumulated output)
1st year	450	450	450	450	900	900
2nd "	900	1,350	900	1,350	1,800	2,700
3rd "	900	2,250	900	2,250	1,800	4,500
4th "	900	3,150	900	3,150	1,800	6,300
5th "	900	4,050	900	4,050	1,800	8,100
6th "	900	4,950	900	4,950	1,800	9,900
7th "	900	5,850	900	5,850	1,800	11,700
8th "	900	6,750	900	6,750	1,800	13,500
9th "	900	7,650	900	7,650	1,800	15,300
10th "	900	8,550	900	8,550	1,800	17,100
11th "	900	9,450	900	9,450	1,800	18,900
12th "	550	10,000	1,250	10,700	1,800	20,200
13th "	500	10,500	1,300	12,000	1,800	22,500
14th "			1,800	13,800	1,800	24,300
15th "			1,800	15,600	1,800	26,100
16th "			1,800	17,400	1,800	27,900
17th "			1,200	18,600	1,200	29,100
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>10,500</u>		<u>18,600</u>		<u>29,100</u>	

4-1-6 Crude Ore and Specific Gravity

	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Specific gravity</u>
Massive ore :	57%	4.2
Disseminated ore :	34%	3.2

4-1-7 Volume of Stripping (In thousand tons)

<u>Deposit</u>	<u>Volume of stripping</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
La Encantada	7,780	S.G. = 3
Espinazo	720	Stripping hardly noticed
<u>Total:</u>	<u>8,500</u>	

4-1-8 Output by Unit Working Period (In wet tons)

	<u>Mining</u>			<u>Stripping</u>	<u>Drifting (m)</u>
	(Open pit mining)	(Under-ground mining)	(Total)		
Annual output	900,000	900,000	1,800,000	750,000	2,700
Monthly output	75,000	75,000	150,000	75,000	225
Average output per day	3,000	3,000	6,000	3,000	9
Max. output per day	3,500	3,500	7,000	3,600	-
Max. output per hour	250	250	500	300	-
Average planned working hour per day	14 hrs	14 hrs	14 hrs	16 hrs	-
Shifts per day	2	2	2	2	2

Remarks: Mining and drifting - 300 working days a year

Stripping - 10 months working period a year, with 2 suspending months when the precipitation is the heaviest in the wet season

4-1-9 Open Pit Mining Plan

(1) The combination of large shovels and heavy dump trucks is not suitable for stripping work due to the steep topographical conditions. It should therefore be conducted by bench mining utilizing angle dozers, and the stripping should be thrown into the glory shaft.

(2) 10 m bench method is to be employed for mechanical mining which should be carried out by the combined use of shovels and trucks, and the ores are to be thrown into the small glory shaft.

(3) Transportation of ores is to be performed by trolley type locomotives and granvy type dump cars.

4-1-10 Outline of Mining

(1) Glory shaft

Stripping	: No. 5G, No. 6G	} Total : 7 shafts
Mining	: No. 1G, No. 2G, No. 3G,	
	No. 4G, No. 7G	
Length of shaft	: About 500 m	

(2) Angle of the last bench: 45°

(3) Stripping volume classified by glory shaft

No. 6G	: About 6,000,000 tons	} Total: 8,420,000 tons
No. 5G	: " 1,200,000 tons	
" " (Extrusion)	: " 500,000 tons	
No. 3G, No. 2G	: " 720,000 tons	

(4) Mining

Mining is to be carried out by 10 m bench method and the ores are to be thrown into No. 2G, 3G, 4G and 7G. The bore holes, 3" in diameter, are to be drilled vertically by an air trac drill (2 shifts) utilizing AN-FO for blasting. The shovels, which are also to be used for construction works, should be diesel shovels (2.3 m^2). The trucks should be 4 wheeled 30 ton dump trucks with the minimum turning radius.

Boulder blasting at the face is to be done by a secondary drilling machine with compressor, with further cobbing to be performed in the block holing chamber.

(5) Roads

A main road for transportation, 8 m in width, dip about $1/8$, 7,700 m in length, leading to the mine, and a main access road connecting the mine office and the top of the mountain, 7 m in width, dip about $1/7$, 2,500m in length, are to be constructed. From the main access road, communication roads leading to each face are to stem. The roads for shovels will be about 2,000 m in length, roads for angle dozers about 1,200 m, and other communication roads 1,000 m.

The shovel communication roads on 1,100 m and 1,050 m levels are to be constructed by means of rejecting yards.

(6) Machine shop

Machine shop for earth moving machinery should be established near the mine office.

4-1-11 Underground Mining

(1) Mining

(a) Sublevel stoping is to be employed when the deposit is 25 m or more in thickness. For thinner deposits with thickness ranging from 2 - 25 m, open stopes with supports should be employed. Size of the chamber will be 70 x 40 m, with 20 m ore pillar being left in between the chambers.

(b) In order to prepare for the mining work, drifting covering a total distance of 2,700 m should be performed each year.

Tunnel at face	: 1,600 m/year
Cross cut & shaft	: 500 m/year
Prospecting tunnel	: 600 m/year
Total	: 2,700 m/year

Drifting distance per 1,000 tons of crude ore : 3 m

(c) Number of faces and ore output

As listed below, 7 faces are required to be in constant operation. Further, for the purpose of maintaining the stability of ore grade, an additional 10 faces should always be ready for immediate operation.

Sublevel stoping

Stoping : 360 t/shift x 2 faces x 2 shifts = 1,440 t/day

Under cut, etc: 60 t/shift x 2 faces x 2 shifts = 240 t/day

Total : 1,680 t/day

Open stopes with supports

Stoping : 180 t/shift x 3 faces x 2 shifts = 1,080 t/day

Under cut, etc : 60 t/shift x 2 faces x 2 shifts = 240 t/day

Total: 1,320 t/day

GRAND TOTAL: 7 faces 3,000 t/day

(d) Drilling method

Drilling is to be conducted by large jumbos for long holes and by air trucks, with air legs to be used for under cut. In case of sublevel stoping, a long hole is to be drilled vertically and radially from the two sublevels in the middle of the face. The pattern thus produced should have the size of 2.5 x 4 m. In case of open stopes with

supports, holes should be drilled in parallel upwardly and vertically in such a way as the size of each blasted section would be 2 x 2.5 m.

(e) Efficiency

	<u>Sublevel stoping</u>	<u>Open stope with supports</u>	<u>Under cut, etc.</u>
Length of drilled hole per worker	50 m	40 m	20 m
Tonnage per 1 m drilling	17 t	23 t	2 t

(2) Loading

(a) In case of sublevel stoping, scrapers (100 - 125 hp) are to be used, and in open stopes with supports, transloaders and small scrapers (50 hp) should be utilized.

In case of drifting, loading should be performed by rocker shovels and small scrapers (50 hp).

(b) Efficiency

	100 hp scraper	50 hp scraper	Trans-loader	Rocker shovel
Efficiency:	150 tons	75 tons	75 tons	35 tons

(c) Transportation

Since the primary crusher is to be placed in the tunnel on 840 m level, ores mined by open pit as well as underground mining should be transported underground by trolley type locomotives (15 t or 12 t), with granvy type tubs concurrently utilized. In case of drifting, combination of the battery locomotives (6 t - 8 t) and 6 ton granvy type tubs is to be employed. Further, for the purpose of quick drifting, bunker trains are to be used.

(3) Other related items

(a) An incline with the dip of 13° is to be excavated from the end of the deposit for the purpose of transporting personnel, equipment and materials; and a winding machine of 300 hp should be installed.

(b) 4 stationary compressors, 2 each of 500 hp and 25 hp, are to be installed near the pit mouth on 900 m level.

(c) Ventilation should be dependent on natural air ventilation.

In case the drifting is performed for a long distance or at places

where the lack of proper ventilation occurs, local fans (5 - 20 hp) and air tubes of vinyl material should be installed.

(d) Drainage should be free draining. The water gushing out at each level is to be led to the inclines and discharged into the pit mouth on 900 m level.

4-1-12 Personnel Composition

	<u>Staff</u>	<u>Worker</u>	<u>Total</u>
Prospecting	2	8	10
Open pit mining	10	69	79
Underground mining	16	180	196
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>257</u>	<u>285</u>

The above personnel composition can be further broken up as follows.

<u>Prospecting</u>	<u>Open pit mining</u>	<u>Underground mining</u>	<u>Total</u>
	1 Chief engineer		1
1 Engineers	2 Engineers	6 Engineers	9
1 Ass't engineer	3 Ass't engineers	10 Ass't engineers	14
	4 Clerks		4
8 Boring men	10 Drillers	20 Drifters	74
		36 Miners	
	17 Heavy machinery operators	40 Loading workers	57
	6 Carriers	14 Carriers	20
	26 Other workers	62 Other workers	88
	10 Handy men	8 Handy men	18
<u>10</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>196</u>	<u>285</u>

4-1-13 Initial Expenses (In thousand yen)

<u>Facilities for Open pit mining</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
Mechanical facilities	381,985	
Road construction	132,100	
Housing	12,390	(Office, warehouse, powder magazine, machine shop)
Haulage facilities	63,300	
Others	82,265	(Tools, equipment, gasoline tank, etc.)
<u>Total:</u>	<u>674,040</u>	(US\$ 1.87 million)

<u>Facilities for Underground mining</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
Mechanical facilities	663,185	
Drifting	360,245	
Construction works affiliated to drifting	85,695	(Wiring works for trolley type locomotives, pit mouth dressing, drainage, etc.)
Others	91,350	(Compressor chamber, electric works, telephone line installation, powder magazine, winding engine room)
<u>Total:</u>	<u>1,200,475</u>	(US\$ 333 million)
<u>GRAND TOTAL:</u>	<u>1,874,515</u>	(US\$ 52 million)

Number & Specifications of Major Mechanical Facilities

<u>Kind</u>	<u>Specification</u>	<u>No.</u>
Shovels	P & H Diesel	2
Trucks	Athey PR619C 30 t	3
Angle dozer	Cat D-8	3
Traxcavator	Cat D-977H	1
Air trac drill	Dember PR-123	3
Loader	EIMCO - 4DH	3
Scraper	Joy 125 hp, 100 hp, 50 hp	8
Transloader	Joy - TL - 55	3
Jumbo	Buk-22, BBC-54RFL	2
Compressor	500 hp (2), 250 hp (2)	4
Trolley type locomotive	15 t (2), 12 t (4)	6
Tub	12 t granvy type	60
Battery locomotive	6 t	5
Tub	2.5 m ³	50
Train loader	35 m ²	1
Alimak climber		3
Trucks & jeeps	4 trucks, 5 jeeps, 2 other kind of vehicles	11
Other facilities		1 set

Major Roads

<u>Extension</u>	<u>Width (m)</u>	<u>Dip</u>	<u>Distance (m)</u>
Main office - mine office	8	1/10	7,700
mine office 1,400 m level	7	1/7	2,500
Communication roads for shovels leading to faces	8	1/10	2,000
Communication roads for angle dozers leading to faces	5	1/4	1,200
Other communication roads	5	1/10	1,000
mine office	7	1/10	2,000
Pit mouth on 900 m level			
Other roads			2,000

Major Tunnels

<u>Kind</u>	<u>Size (m)</u>	<u>Dip</u>	<u>Distance (m)</u>
Tunnel for belt conveyor, 700 m level	2.3 x 2.8	1/50	1,500
Communication tunnel, 820 m level	3.0 x 4.0	1/150	550
Haulage tunnel, 900 m level	2.8 x 3.5	1/200	2,400
Haulage tunnel, 1,000 m level	2.8 x 3.5	1/200	800
Haulage tunnel, 1,100 m level	2.8 x 3.5	1/200	700
Cross cut, etc.	2.5 x 3.0	1/150	1,300
Main incline	2.5 x 3.0	13°	1,300
Sub incline	2.5 x 2.5	25°	400
Shaft for open pit	2.5 x 2.5 x 3.5		1,140
Shaft for underground	3.5 x 3.5		700
Shaft, 700 - 800 m	4.0 x 4.2		240
Shaft, 820 - 900 m	4.0 x 4.0		160

4-1-15 Operation Cost

	Open pit mining (Thousand yen/ton)	Under- ground mining (Thousand yen/ton)	Total (Thousand yen/ton)	Cost per ton of crude ore (Yen)	Cost per ton of concentrate (Yen)
Material Cost					
Gunpowder	26,208	32,573			
Steel materials	13,085	32,725			
Fuel, oil & grease	4,692	1,310			
Others	37,200	38,780			
Total:	81,180	105,388	186,568	103	155
Labour Cost	75,320	126,800	202,120	113	168
Other Costs					
Reparing	51,334	36,000			
Electricity	-	14,537			
Others	9,900	-			
Total:	61,234	50,537	111,771	62	93
TOTAL:	217,724	282,725	500,459	278	416
Cost per ton of crude ore	¥242/t	¥314/t	¥278/t		
Cost per ton of concentrates	¥363/t	¥471/t	¥416/t		

Remarks: Cost of open pit mining includes stripping cost.
 " " underground " " drifting cost.

4-2 Beneficiation Section

The beneficiation plan was drawn up based on the results of the tests conducted on Ore C which is most similar to the crude ores proposed to be mined (See Table 2-1, 9-1 --- 9-5, Flow Sheet No. 3). As indicated in the attached flow sheet, the all sliming magnetic separation process was adopted in order to maintain the P content below 0.05%. It was decided, in view of relevant conditions and situations, to locate the beneficiation plant in Milan district about 2 km from the mine. The beneficiation would result in the elevation of grade, i.e., from Fe 50% of crude ore to Fe 67% of concentrates, Fe 13% of tailing. In this case, the yield percentage is 68.5% and the recovery percentage 91.8%.

The capacity of the beneficiation plant is set at 1.75 million tons of crude ore and 1.2 million tons of concentrates per year (Fe 67%, -325 mesh 85%).

Amount of tailing (dry tons) is 552 thousand tons annually, and the accumulated tonnage of tailing is about 9 million tons.

4-2-1 Outline of Beneficiation Plan

- (1) Grades of crude ore, concentrates and of tailing are as given above with the beneficiation capacity and efficiency.
- (2) Working days are as follows.
Working days will be 360 days a year, with 2 shifts per day adopted for primary and secondary crushing, 3 shifts for grinding and dehydration, and 10 hours a day for designing and 22 hours a day for operation.
- (3) The beneficiation capacity is set at 900 t/h for primary crushing, 500 t/h for secondary crushing, and 230 t/h for grinding and processes which follow the grinding. The true specific gravity of crude ore, concentrates and tailing are 4.1, 4.6 and 1.5 respectively.
- (4) Crushing is to be conducted over 3 stages, and the grain size by the final crushing should be -25 mm (-1").
- (5) 20 mesh grinding will be conducted by Rod Mill utilizing open circuit, and -200 mesh grinding by Ball Mill utilizing the combination of cyclones and closed circuit.
- (6) Ores ground by Rod Mill will be separated by high magnetic drum separator. Crude ores and concentrates will be classified by cyclones, and tailing will be classified and thickened by means of hydro separator. The underflow of cyclones will be led to the second grinding process, and the overflow to the 3 drum type separator.
- (7) Stock pile will be about 6,000 dry tons.
- (8) Tailing will be thickened and led to the tailing dam by slurry transport.
- (9) Supernatant water will be used for beneficiation and the river water will be utilized when the supernatant water is not sufficiently available.
- (10) The dehydration section of the pelletizing plant is included in this beneficiation plan.

4-2-2 Designing

- (1) Refer to the attached drawings for the outline of the design.
- (2) Electric power, rod, water, etc. to be consumed are as listed below.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Per ton of crude ore</u>	<u>Per ton of concentrate</u>
Electricity	21.3 KWH	31.1 KWH
Rod	0.4 kg	0.6 kg
Ball	0.6 kg	0.9 kg
Water	6.0 m ³	8.8 m ³
Personnel	0.013	0.018

(3) Voltages of electric appliances will be as follows.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Standard voltage</u>
Motor, 50 hp & up	3,300 V
Motor, 5 - 40 hp	440 V
Motor, 4 hp and less	220 V
Lighting equipment	220 - 125 V

(4) Tailing dam

Enbankment will be performed utilizing earth, sand and rock materials produced at the outset of the construction work. The concrete dam will be constructed, when need arises, after commencing production.

See the attached drawing.

(5) Concrete aggregate

Gravels produced when drifting will be sieved and utilized, together with river gravels, as coarse aggregate. For fine aggregate, sand will be collected from the sea shore or from appropriate river banks.

4-2-3 Initial Expenses (In thousand yen)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost of equipment & materials</u>	<u>Freight</u>	<u>Installation & Construction</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mechanical facilities	695,832		18,453	714,285
Civil engineering work	58,364		134,179	192,543
Housing	25,344		103,616	128,960
Belt conveyor facilities	90,705		36,716	127,431
Power receiving & distributing facilities	49,000		20,000	69,000
Dehydration facilities	107,020		18,348	125,368
Tailing dam	50,385		121,664	172,049
Miscellaneous works	46,980		24,340	71,320
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>1,114,640</u>	<u>277,909</u>	<u>477,316</u>	<u>1,869,865</u>
	In thousand dollars (3,096)	(772)	(1,326)	(5,194)

4-2-4 Operation Cost (In yen)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Annual cost</u>	<u>Cost per ton of crude ore</u>	<u>Cost per ton of concentrate</u>
Material cost	175,343,000	100.10	146.10
Labour cost	50,502,000	28.00	42.10
Other costs	242,372,000	138.60	202.20
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>468,217,000</u>	<u>267.00</u>	<u>390.00</u>
	(US\$ 1,300,000)	(US\$ 0.74)	(US\$ 1.08)

4-2-5 Outline of Facilities

<u>Major facilities</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Specification</u>
(Primary Crushing)		
Crude ore bin	1	Capacity - 200 t (for one freight train)
Apron feeder	1	1.8 m x 8.0 m, 900 t/h
Gyratory crusher	1	42" x 65", 300 hp, 900 - 1,000 t/h
Belt conveyor	1	48" 20 m, 900 x 1,000 t/h
Overhead crane	1	20 t
Ore bins	2	2,500 t x 2
Apron feeder	2	1.2 m x 4.0 m, 500 t/h
Belt conveyor	1	92" x 1,430 m (long distance), 500 t/h, -1/50
(Secondary Crushing)		
Storage bin	1	Capacity - 250 t
Apron feeder	1	1.2 m x 3.0 m, 500 t/h
Belt conveyor	78.5 m	42", 500 t/h
"	78.0 m	40", 400 t/h
"	7 m	18", 100 t/h
Vibrating screen	2	6' x 14', 2 decks, top - 2", lower - 1-3/4"
Metal detector	1	
Weighing equipment	1	Used for weighing 500 t/h
Overhead crane	1	20 t
Ore bin	1	5,000 t
(Grinding and Magnetic Separation)		
Belt conveyor	2 sets	120 t/h
Rod mill	2	10½ x 12', overflow type, 700 hp/set
Ball mill	7	10½ x 16', overflow type, 900 hp/set

<u>Major facilities</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Specification</u>
Slurry pump	12	6", 6 pumps to be kept in reserve
Cyclones	20	12" ϕ
Distributor	6	
Drum separator	24	1 drum type, 0.6 x 1.7 m
"	24	3 drum type
De-magnetizer	8	5" ϕ
Overhead crane	4	10 t - 2 units, 5 t - 2 units
Water feed meter	12	
Sampler	4	Dry type 2, wet type 2

(a) Feeding of ore to the rod mill will be automatically controlled by constant feed meter which is to be used in combination with the weighing equipment.

(b) Feeding of water to the mill, drum separator and pump will be automatically controlled by water feed meter.

(c) The pulp density of the ore to be fed to the drum separator will be 45% at the primary separation and 20% at the secondary separation.

(d) Rods of 4" ϕ and balls of 1 - 2" ϕ will be properly selected and used. Rods and balls will be supplied by rail transport.

<u>Major facilities</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Specification</u>
(Waste and Water)		
Hydro-separator	2	22" ϕ
Thickener	1	160' ϕ
Slurry pump	3	4"
Cyclones	3	12" ϕ
Volute pump	5	4.5 m ³ /min set for repeatedly used water, 1 set to be kept in reserve
Turbine pump	3	3.5 m ³ /min set for fresh water, 1 set to be kept in reserve
Vertical pump	4	2.5 m ³ /min set for fresh water, 1 set to be kept in reserve
Water tank level gauge	2	For automatic operation
(Dehydration)		
Thickener	2	60' ϕ
Slurry pump	4	4", 2 sets to be kept in reserve
Disk filter	6	8' ϕ x 6 disk, 1 set to be kept in reserve

<u>Major facilities</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Specification</u>
Vacuum pump	5	Water-tight rotary type
Compressor	2	20 m ³ /min, 2 kg/cm ² , 1 set for spare
Filtrate pump	2	2.0 m ³ /min
Merric scale	1	
Sampler	1	
Belt conveyor	200 m	20"
Vertical pump	1	2.5 m ³ /min
Testing equipment	1 set	Equipment for sample adjustment, chemical analysis, and beneficiation test

(a) Water tank will have the capacity for one hour both for fresh water and repeatedly used water.

(b) Water pump will be automatically driven both for fresh water and repeatedly used water.

(c) The waste will be transported by 4" pump to the tailing dam and classified by cyclones into coarse grain waste and slime. The coarse grain waste will be used for enbankment, and the slime will be discharged into the dam.

The coarse sand in the waste will be carried up on the dam body by means of angle dozers.

(d) Concentrates transported by pipe transportation will be thickened by 50'Ø thickener, and de-watered through the filter.

4-2-6 Personnel Composition (of actually working personnel)

Staff - 8 : 2 engineers & 6 ass't engineers

Worker - 61 : 37 for mining,
13 for safety control,
9 for analysis, and
2 for clerical work

Total - 69

4-3 Mechanical and Electrical Facilities Section

4-3-1 General

(1) Personnel

Staff 8 : 3 engineers &
5 ass't engineers

Worker 28 : 5 mechanics,

6 electricians,
 3 draftsmen,
 2 carpenters,
 10 handy men, and
 2 clerical workers

Total - 36

(2) Initial Expenses (In Thousand yen)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost of equipment and materials</u>	<u>Freight</u>	<u>Installation & Construction</u>	<u>Total</u>
Facilities for mechanical factory	18,500	4,625	3,075	26,200
Facilities for electrical factory	3,490	870	950	5,310
Power receiving equipment	52,000	13,000	10,000	75,000
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>73,990</u>	<u>18,490</u>	<u>14,015</u>	<u>106,510</u>

(3) Operation Cost (In yen)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Annual cost</u>	<u>Cost per ton of crude ore</u>	<u>Cost per ton of concentrate</u>
Material cost	7,700,000	4	6
Labour cost	29,498,000	16.8	24.6
Other cost	7,861,000	4.5	6.6
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>45,059,000</u>	<u>25.7</u>	<u>37.5</u>
	(US\$ 125,000)	(US\$ 0.07)	(US\$ 0.11)

4-3-2 Outline of the Plan

Repairing of machines and equipment in the mining section is to be undertaken by each individual sub-section in charge. In this plan, therefore, the capacity and personnel were planned mainly for the purpose of maintaining the safety and security of the surface plant facilities, disregarding the repair of machines and equipment in the mining section. It is intended to utilize the small scale repair shop (privately owned) and the Mexican Navy's repair shop in Manzanillo, thereby to reduce, to the minimum possible extent, the scale of the facilities at the mine.

With regard to the power receiving facilities, a substation will be established near the beneficiation plant which consumes the electric power most heavily, and electricity will be distributed from this substation. Expenses for the transmission faci-

ilities for the power receiving station will be borne by the electric company, and no initial expenses were estimated. Repair and maintenance of the transmission line will also be undertaken by the electric company, and the expenses incurred by such repair or maintenance are not included in the operation cost.

4-3-3 Outline of Facilities, and Particulars Relative to Power Consumption

(1) Major facilities for mechanical factory

<u>Item</u>	<u>Q'ty</u>	<u>Specification</u>
Lathe	1	8'
"	1	6'
Shaper	1	24"
Milling machine	1	
Drilling machine	1	
Electric welder	1	
Air hammer	1	
Compressor	1	100 rp
Factory building	1	250 m ² , steel structured

(2) Major facilities for electrical factory

<u>Item</u>	<u>Q'ty</u>	<u>Specification</u>
Dryer	1	
Trolley hoist	1	Capacity - 3 t
Factory building	1	150 m ² , steel structured

(3) Major facilities for power receiving station

<u>Item</u>	<u>Q'ty</u>	<u>Specification</u>
Disconnecting switch	1	69,000 V, 200 A
Air circuit breaker	1	w/compressor
Transformer	1	3 ϕ 60/3 KVA on load
Switch board	6	

Particulars relative to power consumption:

Power receiving voltage	: 60,000 V
Total capacity	: 7,600 KW
Diversity factor	: 1.2
Demand factor	: 6.75
Maximum demand power	: 4,750 KW
Power receiving equipment capacity	: 6,000 KVA

4-4 Slurry Transporting Section

As a means of transporting ores from the mine to the port (pelletizing plant), there are 3 different methods, i. e., railway transport, land transport by trucks and slurry transport. With the view to developing the local industries, the Government of Mexico desired to transport the ores by constructing a railway line. However, since the district between the beneficiation plant and the port is quite steep, it is considered that the desired railway construction would incur a huge sum of money and the repayment therefor would not be possible by exploiting the Peña Colorada mine.

The Mexican authorities estimate the construction cost for the railway at about ¥50,000 per meter or ¥3.5 billion in total. Judging from the various conditions of the proposed route, however, the cost per meter is justifiably estimated to reach about ¥70,000.

(US\$ 140) (US\$ 97 million) (US\$ 190)

It is the opinion of the Survey Team that if the expenses for locomotives, freight cars and other necessary facilities are added, the total investment amount required for the railway construction would be as much as 6 - 7 billion yen. As regards the overland transportation utilizing big trucks, it is disadvantageous because of the high running cost.

(US\$ 16-17 million)

As clarified by the beneficiation tests, all sliming magnetic separation process should be adopted for the Peña Colorada mine, and this process demands the slurry transporting of ores which is reviewed in the following sub-sections.

4-4-1 Preconditions for Slurry Transporting Plan

- (1) The slurry transportation for pellet feed which is performed by International Nickel Company (INCO), Canada was observed, and their data on slurry transportation were utilized.
- (2) In this plan, the gradient in natural flow transport was set at 5% and that in slurry transport at 0.5%, and the flow velocity was set at 1.56 m/sec., though these factors should of course be reviewed and determined by slurry transport tests.
- (3) One route of wooden pipe (10" dia.) line is to be established, with spare pumps to be stored in reserve.
- (4) Transmission line was assumed to be laid along the pipe line by the Mexican Electric Co. Cost estimation was therefore made only for the power receiving and distributing facilities.

(5) The pipe line way should be plotted on the drawing (scale : 1/10,000). Construction cost of the road required for the pipe line way was estimated at about ¥7,000 per meter, and it was assumed that the reserve funds would be utilized to meet with any further requirements of expenses.

(6) The pipe line way should, in principle, be laid on one side of the road. A part of the expenses for constructing suspension bridges and the loading pier was also included in the cost estimation.

(7) For road construction, efforts were made towards reducing the initial expenses. This should be accomplished by constructing the road, where and as far as possible, by utilizing earth moving machinery prepared for open pit mining, and by letting out to a contractor only that part of road construction which cannot be covered by such direct work by the mine side.

(8) Reconnaissance and observation should be made on the proposed pipe line route. It is possible that there will be a change in the construction cost of the road, suspension bridge and loading pier when such reconnaissance and review are made in the future.

4-4-2 Initial Expenses (In thousand yen)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
Pump facilities (motor inclusive)	321,000	TV control system inclusive
Sub-station & power distribution	68,000	
Freight	97,500	389,000 x 0.25
<u>Total:</u>	486,500	
Pipe (wooden) & wooden conduit	325,700	Materials for supports inclusive
Pipe line accessories	71,700	
Installation of pipe and pump	200,000	
Freight	18,300	
<u>Total:</u>	615,700	
Road	498,800	
<u>GRAND TOTAL:</u>	1,600,000	

(In thousand dollars 4,444)

4-4-3 Operation Cost (exclusive of administration cost) - In Yen

<u>Item</u>	<u>Annual cost</u>	<u>Cost per ton of concentrate</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
Cost of materials and equipment	10,920,000	9.10	
Labour cost	22,200,000	18.50	Repair cost included in the labour cost of pelletizing plant section
Power cost	55,920,000	46.40	$\frac{1,792 \text{ KWH} \times \text{¥}4/\text{KW}}{2.56 \text{ t/min} \times 60 \text{ min}} = \text{¥}46.40/\text{t}$
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>89,040,000</u> (US\$ 247,000)	<u>74.00</u> (US\$ 0.21)	

¥1.76/ton mile \approx 0.49 ¢/ton mile

4-4-4 Personnel Composition (mechanics to be made available from other sections)

<u>Job classification</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Cost per month</u>
Engineer	1	¥200,000
Ass't engineer	3	100,000
Operator	30	30,000

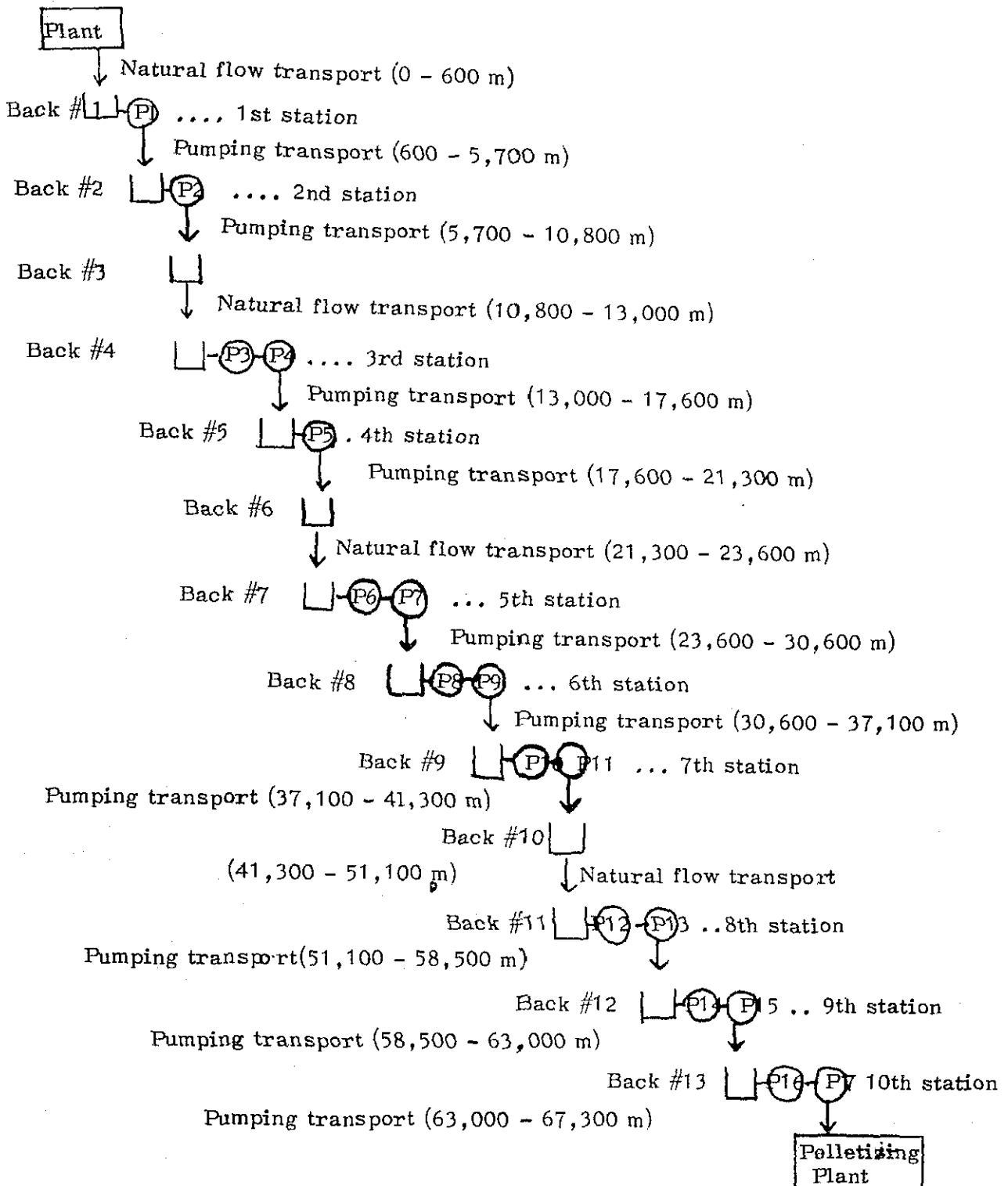
4-4-5 Slurry Transport Plan

Transporting quantities (dry ton)	: 1.2 million tons/year
Working hours	: 24 hrs/day - 365 days/year
Specific gravity of solids	: 4.6
Concentration by weight	: 40%
Specific gravity of slurry	: 1.456
Ore transport quantities (dry ton)	: 2.56 t/min
Flow rate	: 4.6 m ³ /min
Pipe diameter nominal	: 250 mm
Flow velocity	: 1.56 m/sec

4-4-6 Particulars of Slurry Transporting

Station	Distance	Transport method	Elevation at the starting point	Elevation at the end of distance	Difference in elevation	Pipe length	Friction head loss	Total head	Head per pump	No. of pumps
	Plant - 1st	Natural flow transport	630 m	600 m	-40 m	600 m	8.4 m	-22.6	-	-
1st	1st - 2nd	Pump transport	595	565	-30	5,100	71.4	41.4	42	1
2nd	2nd - 2'	"	560	530	-30	5,100	71.4	41.4	42	1
	2' - 3rd	Natural flow transport	525	445	-80	2,200	30.8	-49.2	-	-
3rd	3rd - 4th	Pump transport	440	445	-15	4,600	64.4	69.4	35	2
4th	4th - 4'	"	440	430	-10	3,700	51.8	41.8	42	1
	4' - 5th	Natural flow transport	425	375	-50	2,300	32.2	-17.8	-	-
5th	5th - 6th	Pump transport	370	340	-30	7,000	98.0	68.0	35	2
6th	6th - 7th	"	335	310	-25	6,500	91.0	66.0	35	2
7th	7th - 7'	"	305	310	+5	4,200	58.8	63.8	35	2
	7' - 8th	Natural flow transport	305	51	-254	9,800	137.2	-116.8	-	-
8th	8th - 9th	Pump transport	46	10	-36	7,400	103.6	67.6	35	2
9th	9th - 10th	"	5	8	+3	4,500	63.0	66.0	35	2
10th	10th - Plant	"	3	10	+7	4,300	60.2	67.2	35	2
						<u>67,300</u>				<u>17</u>

4-4-7 Arrangement of Pumps



4-4-8 Specifications of the Pump

<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Specification</u>									
Model		SP II - 200									
Kind of material contacting slurry		Rubber lining									
Slurry		Iron ore slurry									
Specific gravity of solids		4.6									
Density of slurry %		40									
Specific gravity of slurry		1.456									
Screen analysis		-325 mesh 85%									
Flow rate	m ³ /mm	4.6									
Pipe diameter nominal	mm	250									
Flow velocity	m/s	1.56									
Station		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>6th</u>	<u>7th</u>	<u>8th</u>	<u>9th</u>	<u>10th</u>
Elevation at starting point	m	595	560	440	440	370	335	305	46	5	3
Elevation at the end of distance	m	565	530	445	430	340	310	310	10	8	10
Difference in elevation	m	-30	-30	+5	-10	-30	-25	+5	-36	+3	+7
Pipe length	m	5100	5100	4600	3700	7000	6500	4200	7400	4500	4300
Friction head loss	m	71.4	71.4	64.4	51.8	98.0	91.0	58.8	103.6	63.0	60.2
Total left head	m	41.4	41.4	69.4	41.8	68.0	66.0	63.8	67.6	66.0	67.2
No. of pumps		1	1	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	2
Total lift head per pump	m	42	42	35	42	37	37	37	35	35	35
Pump revolution	rpm	980	980	900	980	900	900	900	900	900	900
Efficiency (fresh water)	%	52	52	52	52	52	52	52	52	52	52
Efficiency (slurry)	%	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6
Motor for pump	kw & p	150, 6p	150, 6p	110, 6p	150, 6p	150, 6p	150, 6p	150, 6p	110, 6p	110, 6p	110, 6p
V belt	D x	12	12	10	12	10	10	10	10	10	10
V belt speed	m/s	20.5	20.5	18.9	20.5	18.9	18.9	18.9	18.9	18.9	18.9
Bearing on impeller side		22226K									
Bearing on belt side		32324DB25									

<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Specification</u>									
Bearing lubrication (Station)											
		(1st)	(2nd)	(3rd)	(4th)	(5th)	(6th)	(7th)	(8th)	(9th)	(10th)
Pump axis power	KW	110.2	110.2	91.9	110.2	97.2	97.2	97.2	91.9	91.9	91.9

4-5 Pelletizing Plant Section

The pelletizing plant should be designed on the basis of the results of the pellet test and pilot test now being conducted. However, since these two tests are not yet completed, the trial calculation of the initial expenses has been made based on the following preconditions and of data provided by Hitachi Shipbuilding Company.

4-5-1 Preconditions

- (1) The concentrates will be fine magnetite containing 5% of hematite which is to be transported by means of slurry transporting. Size will be -325 mesh 85%, Fe grade 67%, and P grade 0.03%.
- (2) For convenience's sake, cost of thickening and filtering equipment was added to the initial expenses of the beneficiation plant, and is not, therefore, included in the initial expenses of the pelletizing plant section.
- (3) The pelletizing plant will have the annual productive capacity of 1.2 million tons. The type of the machine to be installed is tentatively decided to be the Horizontal Gate with Hearth and Side Layer manufactured by Lurgi Gesellschaft, Germany.
- (4) The stock of feed ores at the pelletizing plant is set at 6,000 wet tons.
- (5) Electric power will be purchased at ¥4/KW, and the power receiving facilities only will be constructed. (US\$ 001/Kw)

4-5-2 Initial Expenses (In thousand yen)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Equipment of bins and stocks	1 set	40,000
Equipment of pelletizing dises	1 set	72,000
Firing machinery	1 set	1,530,000
Luminous indicator	1 set	36,500
Electrical equipment	1 set	392,000
Sub-station	1 set	50,000 4,000 KVA
Sub-total:		2,120,500

<u>Item</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Construction of steel structure for building		565,000
Construction of chimneys		56,500
Installation cost		190,000
Sub-total		811,500
Freight		480,000
Other costs		88,000
Sub-total		568,000
<u>GRAND TOTAL:</u>		<u>3,500,000</u>
	(In thousand dollars	9,722)

4-5-3 Personnel Composition

<u>Job classification</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Cost per month</u>
Plant superintendent	1	¥300,000/month
Engineer	2	250,000
Chief clerk	1	200,000
Clerical worker	6	100,000
Mechanic	6	100,000
Foreman	1 x 3 shifts) 100,000 on the average
Operator	9 x 3 shifts	
Handy man	3 x 3 shifts	
Staff : 13) Total: 55	(Staff members will be concurrently in charge of clerical work of loading and slurry transporting sections)
Worker : 42		

4-5-4 Operation Cost (Yen/ton)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Material & Other cost	144.00
Cost for repair, safety control and fuel of pelletizing plant	190.20
Labour cost	51.00
Electricity (28 KWH/t)	100.10
Ground rent @ ¥100 x 250,000 m ²	20.40
Other cost	119.30
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>625.00</u>
	(US\$ 1.74)

4-6 Port and Loading Section

4-6-1 Outline of the Plan

Construction of loading facilities and shore protection works only will be undertaken by the mine side. The channel and drainage works are to be performed by the Mexican Navy.

The annual shipping volume is set at 1.2 million tons. The freighter for marine transportation of ores will be 45,000 - 50,000 tons. The stock pile yard will be 24,000 m², with the maximum storage capacity of 200 thousand tons.

Equipment for stocks and loading are as follows.

<u>Equipment</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Capacity</u>
Stacker	2	1,000 t/h
Jib loader	2	"
Belt conveyor	2	"

Loading capacity nominal will be 2,000 tons per hour.

4-6-2 Cost for Facilities (In thousand yen)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Stock facilities and ore transporting equipment	1 set	600,000
Shore protection works		200,000
Cost of land	40,000 m ²	4,000
Others		100,000
<u>Total:</u>		<u>904,000</u>

(In thousand dollars 2,511)

4-6-3 Personnel Composition

<u>Job Classification</u>	<u>No.</u>
Ass't engineer	3
Loading worker	21
Mechanics	5
Clerical worker	3
Handy man	1
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>33</u>

4-6-4 Operation Cost (In thousand yen/year)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Cost for materials, repair and maintenance	30,000

<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Other material & equipment cost	10,000
Total:	40,000
Labour cost	18,000
Other cost	
Electric power	7,500
Port charges	18,000
Others	5,500
Total:	31,000
<u>GRAND TOTAL:</u>	<u>89,000</u>

Cost per ton of concentrate : ¥74
(US\$ 0.21)

4-7 Administration Section

Main office and warehouse will be constructed west to the beneficiation plant. And on the flat land area further to the west of the beneficiation plant, dormitories, boarding houses, hospital, church, etc. will be constructed. Water will be supplied by the pipe line to be laid from the water source for beneficiation.

4-7-1 Personnel Composition

<u>Job classification</u>	<u>No.</u>
Chief clerk	1
Secretary	2
Ass't secretary	4
Clerical worker	34
Handy man	10
Physician	2
Nurse	4
Teacher	10
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>68</u>

4-7-2 Initial Expenses (In thousand yen)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Buildings	235,250
Construction works for facilities	109,800
Fixtures, etc.	89,950
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>435,000</u>

(In thousand dollars 1,208)

Major Buildings:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Floor space (m²)</u>
Main office	800
Warehouse	600
Dormitory	375 No.
Boarding house	1,600
Club	200
School	850
Hospital	500
Church	-

Major facilities:

Water supply facilities

Drainage facilities

Electric distribution facilities

Telephone facilities

Roads

Others (Land, land readjustment, afforestation, etc.)

Fixtures:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Q'ty</u>
Fixtures for office	1 set
" " hospital	1 set
" " school	1 set
Automobile	3 trucks, 2 buses & 2 jeeps

4-7-3 Operation Cost (In thousand yen/year)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Cost of materials & equipment	7,080
Labour cost	46,440
Other cost	60,750
Sub-total	114,270

Other cost

Amount to be allotted to
embankment and tailing dam, &

tax payable 112,730

GRAND TOTAL: 227,000

Cost per ton of concentrate : ¥189
(US\$ 0.52)

4-8 Other Affiliated Items

4-8-1 Cost for Technical Guidance

It is expected that during the 5 year exploitation period (of which 2 years are for exploration and planning), technical guidance relating to exploitation and operation of the mine will be given by Japanese engineers.

No. of engineers to be despatched:

Chief engineer	: 1
Geologist	: 2
Mining engineer	: 2
Beneficiation engineer	: 2
Civil engineer	: 2
Electric engineer	: 2
Mechanical engineer	: 2
Assistant to engineer	: 5 - 10

Total cost for technical guidance during
the 5 year period (In thousand yen): 725,000

In thousand dollars 2,014

4-8-2 Cost for Test and Designing (In thousand yen)

Cost for test

Test and analysis of ores	: 5,000
Beneficiation test	: 3,000
Slurry test	: 15,000
Pellet test	: 5,000
Total:	28,000

Cost for designing

Designing of beneficiation plant	: 30,000
" " slurry transport facilities:	45,000
" " pelletizing plant	: 30,000
" " loading facilities	: 10,000
Total:	115,000

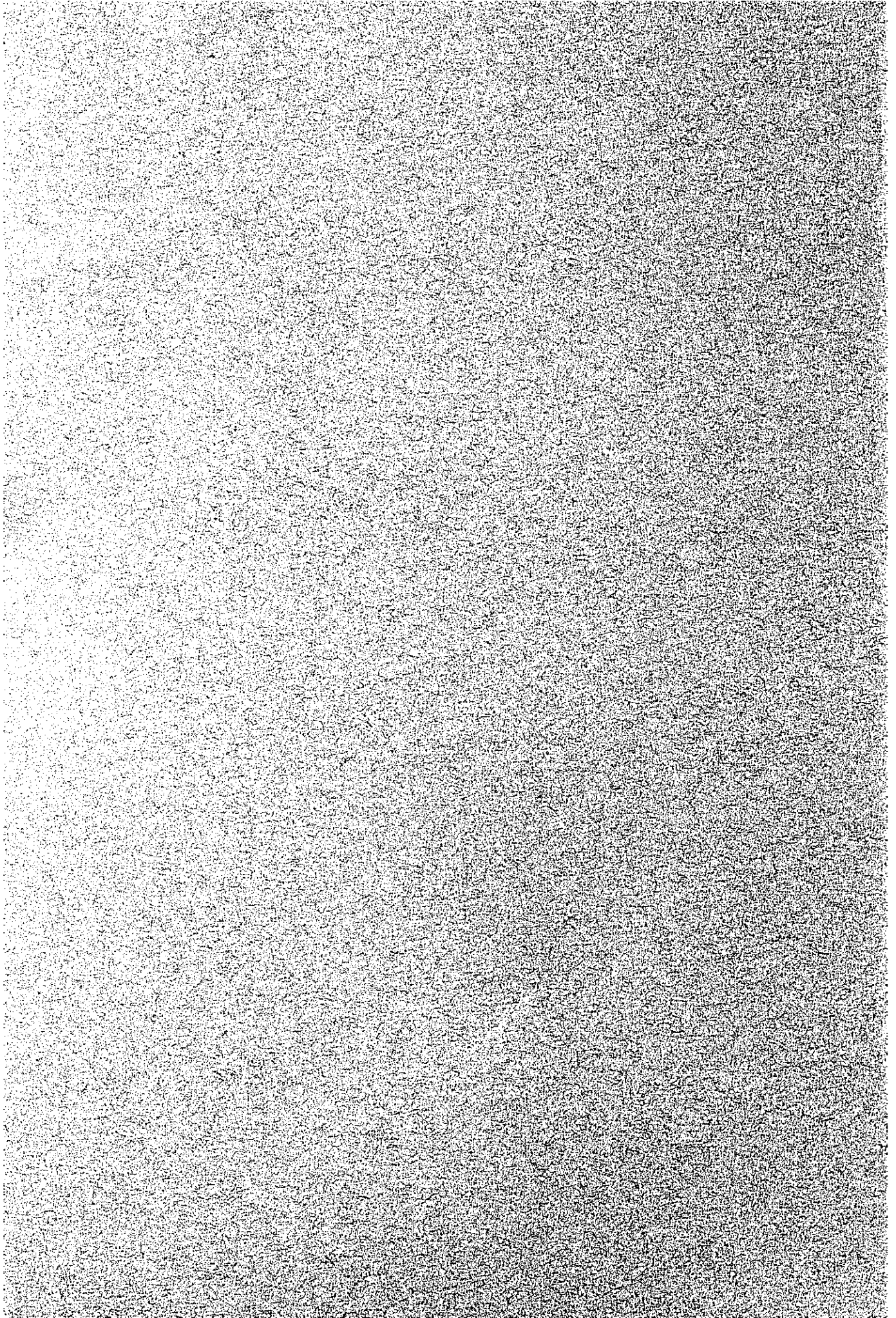
GRAND TOTAL: 143,000

In thousand dollars 397

4-8-3 Expenses for Exploration (In thousand yen)

Expenses for geophysical survey	: 36,000	} ... Expenses already spent by the Govern- ment of Mexico
" " boring test	: 273,000	
" " designing	: 23,040	
" " establishing camps	: 72,000	

5. CONCLUSION



Investigation expenses : 6,560 ... Expenses borne by the Government of Japan for the investigations of this time.

Expenses for investigations to be conducted in FY 1964 and in subsequent years : 158,800

GRAND TOTAL: : 570,000

4-8-4 Reserve Funds ^{In thousand dollars 1,583} (In thousand yen)

About 10% of the investment amount, ¥1,250,000 thousand, is allotted.

Total cost required for items 4-8-1 --- 4-8-4 is as follows. (In thousand yen)

		In thousand dollars
Cost for technical guidance	: 725,000	2,014
Cost for tests and investigations	: 143,000	397
Expenses for exploration	: 570,000	1,583
Reserve funds	: 1,250,000	3,472
<u>TOTAL:</u>	: <u>2,688,000</u>	7,466

5. CONCLUSION

Results of the study and review made on different questions, given in the preceding pages of this Report, indicate that if various preconditions submitted could be met satisfactorily, the Peña Colorada mine may become the object of mining.

Given hereunder are a few items which were considered important for the exploitation of the mine.

1. Ore Reserves and Grades

Explorations made in the past for the Peña Colorada mine were far from being accurate and precise. It is therefore a matter of utmost importance to conduct, in the future, more diamond drilling tests, thereby to confirm the distribution of deposits, to increase the ore reserves and to re-check the ore grades.

Since the ores contain phosphorus minerals, it was found necessary to grind them to -200 mesh. This calls for the establishment of a pelletizing plant which requires far more than the estimated present ore reserves. Consequently, increase in the ore reserves is indeed an important matter.

It is therefore considered quite urgent to conduct explorations for ore deposits

at the Pena Colorada mine as well as in its vicinity so that sufficient ore reserves may be secured for the pelletizing plant.

2. Mining and Beneficiation

Though there exist no outstanding problems at present, it is conceivable that the underground mining, when compared with the open pit mining, would incur far more production cost and require far larger object ore reserves when in future the production amount increases. Efforts should therefore be directed in the future towards locating deposits capable of open pit mining.

3. Slurry Transporting

No slurry transporting covering a distance of 70 km is being practised in the world. Slurry tests should therefore be conducted in full detail before the exploitation.

4. Electric Power

In case the electric power consumption exceeds 5,000 KW, the transmission and other facilities are to be constructed by the Mexican Electric Co. The mine side will be responsible only for the power receiving and distributing facilities.

5. Interests

An interest rate of 10% per annum was set in this Report. If funds were available at lower rate of interest, the management of the mine would naturally become easier. Further review in this respect will be necessary.

6. Port Facilities

Of various port facilities, the construction of the channel and drainage was assumed to be undertaken by the Mexican Navy. The mine side would therefore be responsible for the shore protection works and loading facilities only.

7. Repayment of the Total Investment Amount

Repayment of the invested amount inclusive of interests was assumed to be completed over a 10 year depreciation period.

SUPPLEMENT I

DETAILED ORE RESERVES CALCULATION
OF THE PEÑA COLORADA MINE

Sectional line	Front section (m ²)	Rear section (m ²)	Average section (m ²)	Intervals		Volume (m ³)	S.G.	Distribution percentage (%)	Ore reserves (ton)	(Grade)		
				of sections	(m)					Fe (%)	P (%)	S (%)
La Encantada, North. (A - C) (Massive Ore),												
Proved												
A		960	480	20		9,600	4	84				
A - B	960	2,480	1,720	49		84,280	"	"				
B - C	2,480	2,560	2,520	53		133,560	"	"				
C	2,560		1,280	20		25,600	"	"				
						<u>253,040</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>84</u>		<u>850,214</u>		<u>53.01</u> <u>0.262</u>

La Encantada. (E - H) (Massive Ore),

(Proved + Probable)

E		6,770	3,385	36		121,860	4.2	80				
E - F	6,770	11,980	9,375	63		590,625	"	"				
F - G	11,980	6,920	9,450	65		614,250	"	"				
G - H	6,920	4,720	5,820	62		360,840	"	"				
H	4,720		2,360	80		188,800						
						<u>1,876,375</u>	<u>4.2</u>	<u>80</u>		<u>6,304,620</u>		<u>56.83</u> <u>0.253</u>

Sectional line	Front section (m ²)	Rear section (m ²)	Average section (m ²)	Intervals of sections (m)	Volume (m ³)	S.G. percentage (%)	Distribution (%)	(Grade)			
								Ore reserves (ton)	Fe (%)	P (%)	S (%)
<u>La Encantada. (E - H) (Massive Ore), (Proved)</u>											
E		5,690	2,845	36	102,420	4.2	80				
E - F	5,690	10,560	8,125	63	511,875	"	"				
F - G	10,560	6,120	8,340	65	542,100	"	"				
G - H	6,120	4,720	5,420	62	336,040	"	"				
H	4,720		2,360	30	188,800	"	"				
					<u>1,681,235</u>	<u>4.2</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>5,648,949</u>	<u>56.83</u>	<u>0.253</u>	

Remarks:

Probable ore reserves of La Encantada:

Probable = (Proved + Probable) - (Proved) : 6,304,620 (Proved + Probable) - 5,468,949 (Proved) = 655,671 t

Chin Forinazo, North. (6 - 12) (Massive Ore), (Proved + Probable)

6		12,120	6,060	50	303,000	4	80				
6 - 7	12,120	9,230	10,675	40	427,000	"	"				
7 - 8	9,230	7,580	8,405	100	840,500	"	"				
8 - 9	7,580	5,410	6,495	51	331,245	"	"				
9 - 10	5,410	5,830	5,620	47	264,140	"	"				
10 - 11	5,830	5,350	5,590	61	340,990	"	"				
11 - 12	5,350	5,120	5,235	41	214,635	"	"				
					<u>2,721,510</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>8,708,832</u>	<u>54.24</u>	<u>0.073</u>	

Sectional line	Front section		Rear section		Average section		Intervals of sections		Volume (m ³)	S.G	Distribution percentage (%)	(Grade)			
	(m ²)	(m ²)	(m ²)	(m ²)	(m ²)	(m ²)	(m)	(m)				Ore reserves (ton)	Fe (%)	P (%)	S (%)
Chinforinazo, North. (6 - 12) (Massive Ore), (Proved)															
6		7,920	3,960	50	198,000	4	80								
6 - 7	7,920	5,600	6,760	40	270,400	"	"								
7 - 8	5,600	6,860	6,230	100	623,000	"	"								
8 - 9	6,860	5,120	5,990	51	305,490	"	"								
9 - 10	5,120	5,360	5,240	47	246,280	"	"								
10 - 11	5,360	3,920	4,640	61	283,040	"	"								
11 - 12	3,920	3,320	3,640	41	149,240	"	"								
					<u>2,075,450</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>80</u>						<u>6,641,440</u>	<u>54.24</u>	<u>0.073</u>

Remarks:

Probable ore reserves of Chinforinazo--

Probable = (Proved + Probable) - (Proved) : 8,708,832 (Proved + Probable) - 6,641,440 (Proved) = 2,067,392 t

Chinforinazo, South. (12 - 18) (Massive Ore), (Proved + Probable)

12 - 13	5,120	11,080	8,100	67	542,700	4.2	80								
13 - 14	11,080	14,900	12,990	55	714,450	"	"								
14 - 15	14,900	16,250	15,575	45	700,875	"	"								
15 - 16	16,250	14,830	15,540	47	730,380	"	"								
16 - 17	14,830	11,610	13,220	53	700,660	"	"								
17 - 18	11,600	1,880	6,745	100	674,500	"	"								
18	1,800		940	42	39,480	"	"								
					<u>4,103,045</u>	<u>4.2</u>	<u>80</u>						<u>13,786,231</u>	<u>61.15</u>	<u>0.076</u>

Sectional line	Intervals			Volume (m ³)	S.G. percentage (%)	Distribution percentage (%)	(Grade)			
	Front section (m ²)	Rear section (m ²)	Average section (m ²)				Ore reserves (ton)	Fe (%)	P (%)	S (%)
<u>Chinforinazo, South. (12 - 18) (Massive Ore),</u>										
<u>(Proved)</u>										
12 - 13	3,360	7,200	5,280	67	353,760	4.2	80			
13 - 14	7,200	11,780	9,480	55	521,950	"	"			
14 - 15	11,780	14,490	13,135	45	591,075	"	"			
15 - 16	14,490	13,560	14,025	47	659,175	"	"			
16 - 17	13,560	10,960	12,260	53	649,780	"	"			
17 - 18	10,960	1,880	6,420	100	642,000	"	"			
18	1,880		940	42	39,480	"	"			
					<u>3,457,220</u>	<u>4.2</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>11,616,259</u>	<u>61.15</u>	<u>0.076</u>

Remarks:

Probable ore reserves of Chinforinazo South -

Probable = (Proved + Probable) - (Proved) : 13,786,231 (Proved + Probable) - 11,616,259(Proved) = 2,169,972 t

Sectional line	Front section	Rear section	Average section	Intervals of sections	Volume	S.G.	Distribution percentage	(Grade)	
								Ore reserves	Fe P S
<u>Espinazo (1 - 11) (Massive Ore),</u>									
<u>(Confirmed)</u>									
1 - 2	1,290	1,710	1,500	81	121,500	4.2	80		
2 - 3	1,710	1,900	1,805	30	54,150	"	"		
3 - a	1,900	1,720	1,810	50	90,500	"	"		
a - 4	1,720	1,220	1,470	20	29,400	"	"		
4 - b	1,220	3,800	2,510	35	87,850	"	"		
b - 5	3,800	2,200	3,000	65	195,000	"	"		
5 - 6	2,200	1,890	2,045	59	120,655	"	"		
6 - c	1,890	400	1,145	84	96,180	"	"		
c - 8	400	760	580	55	31,900	"	"		
8 - 9	760	2,090	1,425	51	72,675	"	"		
9 - 10	2,090	2,100	2,095	47	98,465	"	"		
10 - 11	2,100	390	1,245	61	75,945	"	"		
11	390		195	43	10,335	"	"		
					<u>1,084,555</u>	<u>4.2</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>3,644,105</u>	<u>55.48 0.268</u>

Sectional line	Front section (m ²)	Rear section (m ²)	Average section (m ²)	Intervals of sections (m)	Volume (m ³)	S.G.	Distribution percentage (%)	(Grade)		
								Ore reserves (ton)	Fe (%)	P (%)
<u>La Encantada, North. (A - D) (Disseminated Ore),</u>										
<u>(Proved)</u>										
A		340	170	20	3,400	3.2	80			
A - B	340	1,320	830	49	40,670	"	"			
B - C	1,320	2,120	1,720	53	91,160	"	"			
C - D	2,120	870	1,495	60	89,700	"	"			
					<u>224,940</u>	<u>3.2</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>575,820</u>	<u>23.59</u>	<u>0.259</u>

<u>La Encantada. (D - H) (Disseminated Ore),</u>										
<u>(Proved + Probable)</u>										
D - E	870	2,480	1,675	80	134,000	3.2	80			
E - F	2,480	2,520	2,500	63	157,500	"	"			
F - G	2,520	2,770	2,645	65	171,925	"	"			
G - H	2,770	11,280	7,025	62	435,550	"	"			
					<u>898,975</u>	<u>3.2</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>2,301,376</u>	<u>31.12</u>	<u>0.186</u>

Sectional line	Front section (m ²)		Rear section (m ²)		Average section (m ²)		Intervals of section (m)		Volume (m ³)	S.G.	Distribution percentage (%)	(Grade)		
	Front section (m ²)	Rear section (m ²)	Average section (m ²)	Intervals of section (m)	Volume (m ³)	S.G.	Distribution percentage (%)	Ore reserves (ton)				Fe (%)	P (%)	S (%)
La Encantada (D - H) (Disseminated Ore),														
(Proved)														
D - E	870	2,480	1,675	80	134,000	3.2	80							
E - F	2,480	2,520	2,500	63	157,500	"	"							
F - G	2,520	2,720	2,620	65	170,300	"	"							
G - H	2,720	11,280	7,000	62	434,000	"	"							
					<u>895,800</u>	<u>3.2</u>	<u>80</u>					<u>2,293,248</u>	<u>31.12</u>	<u>0.186</u>

Remarks:

Probable ore reserves of La Encantada -

$$\text{Probable} = (\text{Proved} + \text{Probable}) - (\text{Proved}) : 2,301,376 (\text{Proved} + \text{Probable}) - 2,293,248 (\text{Proved}) = 8,128 \text{ t.}$$

Chinforinazo (H - 16) Disseminated Ore,

(Proved + Probable)		H - 4		4 - 5		5 - 6		6 - 7		7 - 8		8 - 9		9		14		14 - 15		15 - 16		16		
Front section (m ²)	Rear section (m ²)	11,280	11,040	11,040	11,320	11,600	2,720	3,600	2,720	3,600	4,470	2,240	2,240	2,240	2,240	560	2,240	2,240	2,640	2,640	2,640	1,320	1,320	
Intervals of section (m)	Volume (m ³)	95	100	59	40	100	51	47	40	45	47	26	26	26	40	45	47	47	26	26	26	26	26	
S.G.	Distribution percentage (%)	3.2	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
		1,060,200	1,132,000	422,440	126,400	403,500	171,105	52,640	11,200	63,000	114,680	34,320	34,320	34,320	34,320	11,200	63,000	114,680	34,320	34,320	34,320	34,320	34,320	
		<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	<u>3,591,485</u>	

Sectional line	Front section (m ²)	Rear section (m ²)	Average section (m ²)	Intervals of sections		Volume (m ³)	S.G.	Distribution percentage (%)	(Grade)		
				section (m)	sections (m)				Ore reserves (ton)	Fe (%)	P (%)
<u>Chinforinazo (H - 16) (Disseminated Ore),</u>											
<u>(Proved)</u>											
H- 4	11,280	9,000	10,140	87	87	882,180	3.2	80			
4 - 5	9,000	7,900	8,450	100	100	845,000	"	"			
5 - 6	7,900	1,280	4,590	59	59	270,810	"	"			
6 - 7	1,280	2,520	1,900	40	40	76,000	"	"			
7 - 8	2,520	3,840	3,180	100	100	318,000	"	"			
8 - 9	3,800	2,240	3,040	51	51	155,040	"	"			
9	2,240		1,120	47	47	52,640	"	"			
14		560	280	40	40	11,200	"	"			
14 - 15	560	1,680	1,120	45	45	50,400	"	"			
15 - 16	1,680	2,120	1,900	47	47	89,300	"	"			
16	2,120		1,060	26	26	27,560	"	"			
						<u>2,778,130</u>	<u>3.2</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>7,112,012</u>	<u>34.70</u>	<u>0.141</u>

Remarks:

Probable ore reserves of Chinroinazo -

Probable = (Proved + Probable) - (Proved) : 9,194,201 (Proved + Probable) - 7,112,012 (Proved) = 2,082,180 t.

Sectional line	Front section (m ²)	Rear section (m ²)	Average section (m ²)	Intervals		Volume (m ³)	S.G.	Distribution percentage (%)	(Grade)			
				of sections (m)	sections (m)				Ore reserves (ton)	F _a (%)	P (%)	S (%)
<u>Primorosa, (Probable)</u>												
I		1,480	740	43		31,820	4.2	80				
I - J	1,480	1,240	1,360	50		68,000	"	"				
J - K	1,240	720	980	50		49,000	"	"				
K - L	720	400	560	50		28,000	"	"				
L - M	400	170	285	50		14,250	"	"				
M	170		85	35		2,975	"	"				
						<u>194,045</u>	<u>4.2</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>651,991</u>	<u>(55.00)</u>		
<u>La Chula, North. (Probable)</u>												
18		80	40	12		480	4.2	80				
18 - 19	80	380	230	50		11,500	"	"				
19 - 20	380	250	315	30		9,450	"	"				
20	250		125	28		3,500	"	"				
						<u>24,930</u>	<u>4.2</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>83,765</u>	<u>(54.00)</u>		

Remarks: Fe grade in parentheses is presumed percentage.

SUPPLEMENT II

MICROSCOPIC TEST ON IRON ORES OF
THE PEÑA COLORADA MINE

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1. Purpose of Test

Microscopic and other tests, results of which are herein contained, were conducted in order to provide basic data for the beneficiation test which aims at the elevation of Fe grade and the removal of phosphorus minerals. Tests were performed mainly by observation of reflecting and petrographic microscopes, with X-ray diffraction test and fluorescent X-ray analysis currently conducted.

2. Test Samples

From each of the six different ores given in Table No. 1 below, one piece of sample considered to best represent each kind was selected. And from each six samples thus chosen, 2 pieces each of polish and thin section were prepared, and utilized as test samples. It must be made clear, therefore, that these test samples do not have the average mineral composition of the ores they represent.

Table No. 1 - Values by Chemical Analysis of Ore Components

(Sample)		(Value by Chemical Analysis)								
No.	Ore	Fe	FeO	SiO ₂	P	S	Cu	Al ₂ O ₃	CaO	MgO
1.	Massive ore (Trench #3)	58.73	23.62	6.94	0.243	2.039		2.88	3.74	2.00
2.	Disseminated ore (")	28.41	7.27	33.02	0.083	1.957		13.40	5.53	4.10
3.	Massive ore (Trench #4)	49.92	14.60	13.87	0.284	0.866		4.52	6.38	3.08
4.	Disseminated ore (Upper zone)	26.64	8.96	36.60	0.160	0.943	0.021	6.98	5.57	2.53
5.	Massive ore (Middle zone)	58.34	22.40	8.56	0.190	3.133	0.031	1.01	1.86	1.46
6.	Disseminated ore (Lower zone)	33.94	12.12	29.48	0.137	2.306	0.024	8.10	4.28	2.95

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(Elements detected by fluorescent X-ray analysis)

	As	Ti	Mn	Zn	Cu	Cd	Sr	Sn	Zr	Pd	Mo
1.	-	-	tr	tr	tr	tr	tr	*	-	tr	tr
2.	-	-	tr	tr	tr	-	*	-	tr	tr	-
3.	-	-	-	tr	tr	-	tr	tr	-	-	-
4.	-	-	-	tr	tr	-	o	tr	tr	tr	tr
5.	-	-	-	tr	*	tr	tr	tr	-	tr	tr
6.	-	-	-	tr	tr	-	*	tr	tr	tr	tr

Remarks: Elements with atomic numbers larger than that of Ti could only be detected.

o = detected in some quantity * = detected in extremely small q'ty.

3. Outline of Test Results

3-1 Mineral assemblage

Ore minerals consist chiefly of magnetite, with small quantities of pyrite, limonite, and extremely small quantities of hematite, chalcopyrite, sphalerite, bornite and chalcocite. Gangue minerals comprise feldspar, chlorite, pyroxen (augite and hedenbergite), epidote, calcite, phlogopite and extremely small quantities of smaragdite, apatite, zircon, cassiterite, titanite, brushite and dufrenite-like mineral. Mineral composition of each test sample is as tabulated below.

Table No. 2 - Mineral Composition (In percentage)

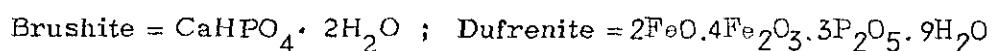
Sample No.	(Ore Minerals)					
	Magnetite	Hematite	Limonite	Pyrite	Chalcopyrite	
1.	70 [±]	tr - 0.1	1 [±]	tr - 1	tr - 0.1	
2.	25 - 55	0.1	0.5 - 1	0.5 - 8	0.1 - 0.2	
3.	17 - 65	tr	0.1 - 0.5	0.1 - 2	tr	
4.	10 - 15	tr	1 - 5	tr - 0.5	tr	
5.	70 - 80	tr	0.1 - 1	0.5 - 8	tr - 0.1	
6.	20 - 35	tr - 0.1	0.3 - 0.5	1 [±]	0.1 - 0.5	
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Sample No.	(Gangue Minerals)					
	Albite	Orthoclase	Augite	Hedenbergite	Epidote	Phlogopite
1.	5 [±]	10 [±]	-	1 [±]	0.2	-
2.	10 - 15	30 - 50	-	0.5 - 3	0.1	-
3.	15 - 38	20 - 40	5 - 13	-	tr	0.2 - 0.5
4.	14 - 15	40 - 45	-	14 - 18	3.5 - 3	-
5.	1 [±]	4 [±]	-	-	tr	2 [±]
6.	15 [±]	35 [±]	-	7 [±]	1 [±]	-

- To be continued -

(Gangue Minerals) - Cont'd -

Sample N _{o.}	Smaragdite	Chlorite	Calcite	Zircon & Cassiterite	Apatite	Brushite	Dufrenite
1.	tr	5 ⁺	5 ⁺	tr	0.2	tr - 0.1	0.1
2.	0.1 - 0.5	1 - 10	3 - 5	0.1	1.0	tr	tr
3.	tr	3 - 6	5 - 7	tr	1.5	tr - 0.5	tr
4.	tr	6 - 8	tr	1	0.5	tr - 0.2	tr
5.	tr	8 ₊	tr	0.1	0.5	1.5 - 3	0.5
6.	tr	20 ₊	tr	0.5	0.5	tr	tr

Remarks: Besides the above-tabulated minerals, extremely small quantities of bornite and chalcocite were detected in Test Sample No. 6, and titanite in Test Samples No. 4 and 6.



3-2 Texture, and Grain Size of Magnetite

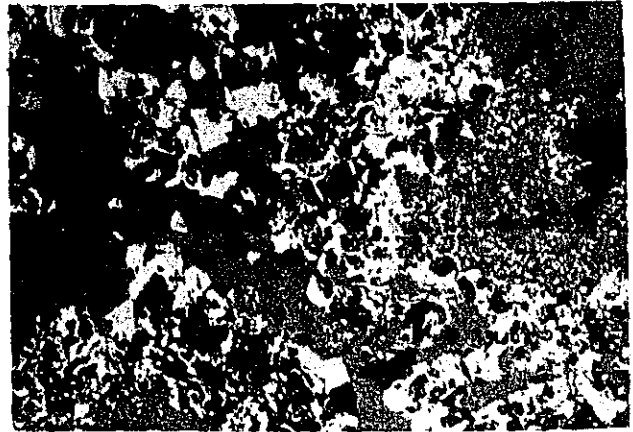
Magnetite exists as single grains or aggregates, with the grain size ranging from the max. 1 mm to the minimum 5μ . Single grains form, in one case, idiomorphic hexagonal and rhombus crystals, and in another case present hypidiomorphic - allotriomorphic granular or indeterminate shape.

Most of magnetite exists either as comparatively coarse grains of the size $0.6 - \frac{0.2}{\text{mm}}$ diameter or as fine grains with the size ranging from $0.1 - 0.01$ mm in diameter; extremely fine grains of the size 5μ are found in a very limited quantity. (See Photo No. 1 & 2)

Photo No. 1
 Porphyritic magnetite of
 coarse grain
 (No. 2. reflect. x 102.5)



Photo No. 2
 Magnetite of fine and extremely fine grain
 (No. 1. reflect. x 102.5)

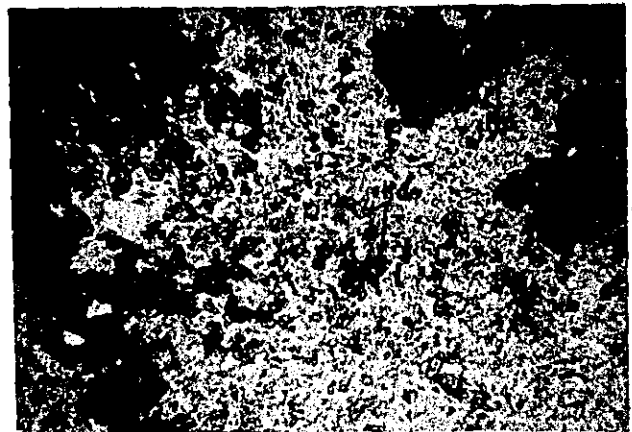


Mt = magnetite, Py = pyrite, Dark portion = gangue minerals
 0 0.5 1.0 $\frac{mm}{m}$
 (Mag. x 102.5)

Disseminated ores are found scattered in the gangue minerals as single grains of coarse grain of magnetite /and also as single grains or aggregate of magnetite of fine grain.

Massive ores are found as indeterminate aggregates of fine grains, causing the gangue to present a porphyritic texture with the size ranging from 2 - 0.2 mm (See Photos No. 3 - No. 7)

Photo No. 3
 Disseminated ore (coarse grain)
 (No. 4. Petro. x 38)



0 0.5 1.0 $\frac{mm}{m}$

Photo No. 4
Massive ore
(No. 1. petro. x 38)

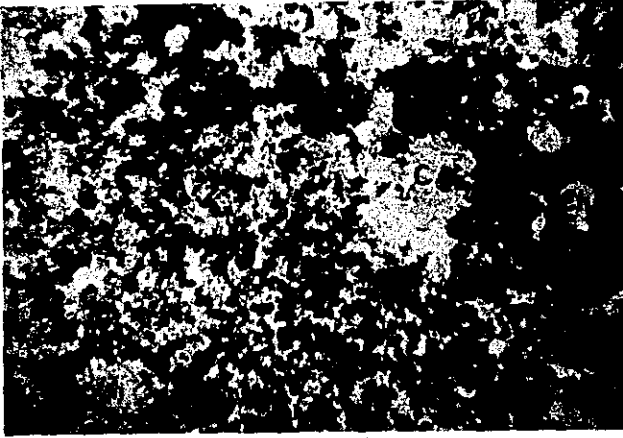
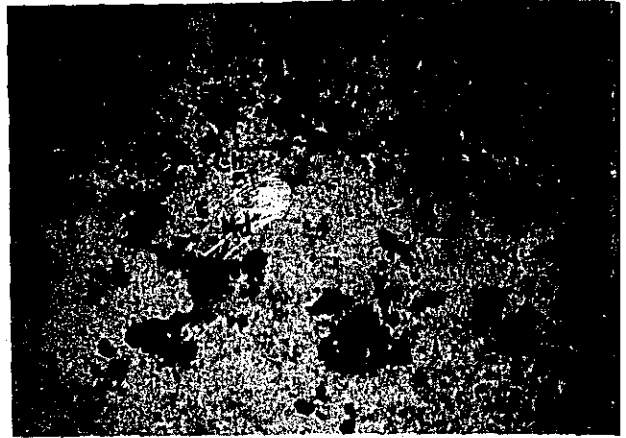


Photo No. 5
Disseminated ore (fine grain)
(No. 6. petro. x 38)



Dark portion = magnetite, Greyish white ground = feldspar,
C = calcite, Ch = Chlorite, Hd = hedenbergite

0 0.5 1.0 $\frac{m}{m}$

(Mag. x 38)

Photo No. 6
Massive ore
(No. 5, reflect. x 32)

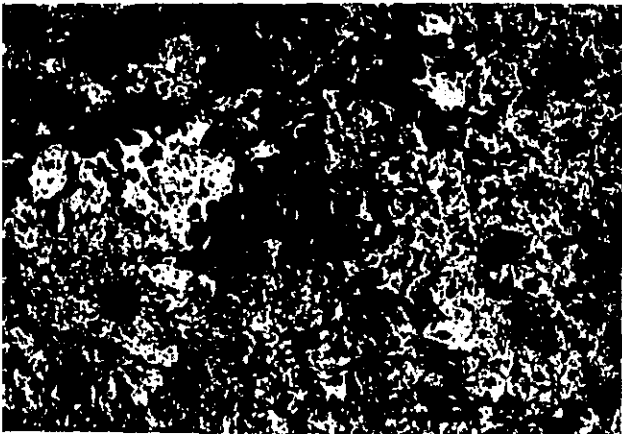
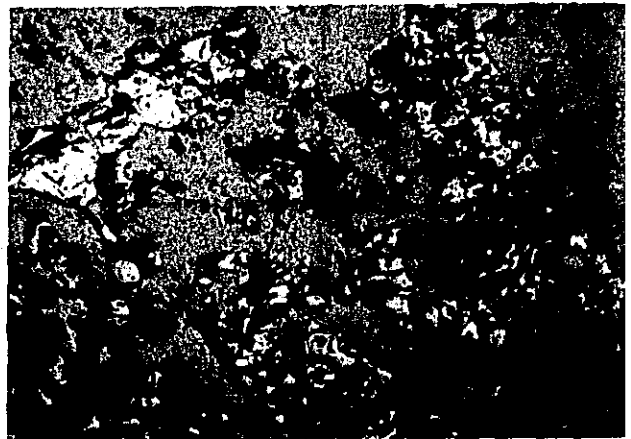


Photo No. 7
Disseminated ore
(No. 4, reflect. x 32)



White portion = magnetite, dark portion = gangue minerals

0 0.5 1.0 $\frac{m}{m}$

(Mag. x 32)

3-3 Phosphorus Minerals

It was found that such phosphorus minerals as apatite (probably Fluor-apatite), brushite ($\text{CaHPO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$), monetite ($2\text{CaO} \cdot \text{P}_2\text{O}_5 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$), Dufrenite ($2\text{FeO} \cdot 4\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot 3\text{P}_2\text{O}_5 \cdot 9\text{H}_2\text{O}$), etc. are existent.

Apatite: Apatite is idiomorphic prismatic and hexagonal plate in shape, with its size being 0.3 x 0.06 mm at maximum and 0.07 - 0.01 mm on the average. It is not widely distributed in the ore but is found concentrated. It tends to be located near magnetite, particularly when magnetite is in abundance. However, intrusion into magnetite grains is hardly noticed, and in most cases it exists in feldspar, chlorite, clacite, etc. which are near magnetite. Adhesion of apatite to magnetite is relatively often found particularly in massive ores, in which case apatite is found as the ostensible inclusion of magnetite. (See Photos No. 8 - No. 11) Since it is discovered in linear arrangement of idiomorphic crystals, most of apatite is presumed to be associated with mineralization or post mineralization.

Photo No. 8
Pyroxen and apatite in feldspar
(No 2. petro. x 96)

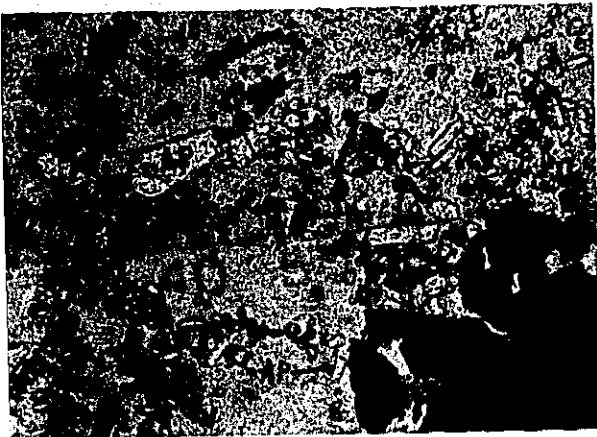


Photo No. 9
Apatite in feldspar around magnetite grains
(No. 3. petro. x 96)

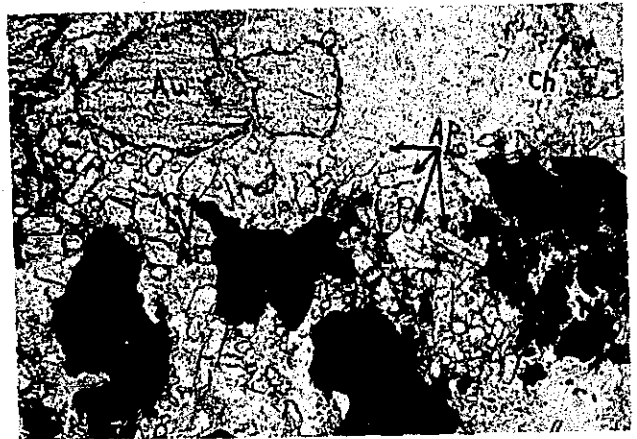


Photo No. 10
 Apatite in calcite around
 magnetite grains
 (No. 2. petro. x 96)

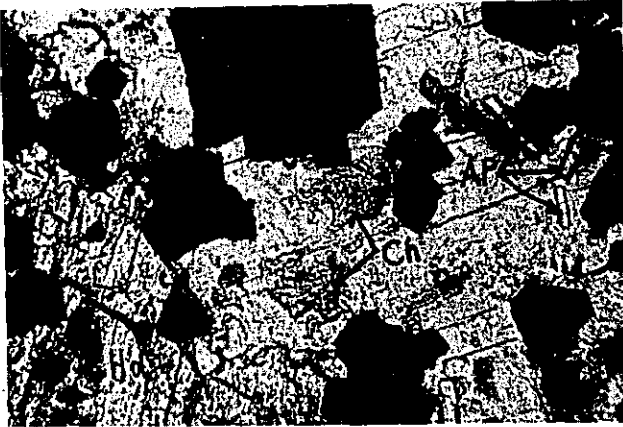
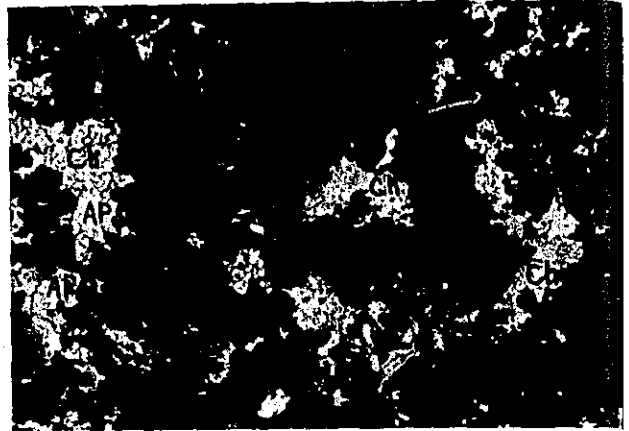
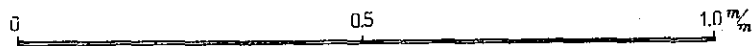


Photo No. 11
 Apatite intruding into magnetite grains
 (No. 5. petro. x 96)



Dark portion = magnetite, White ground = feldspar, Ap = apatite,
 Hd = hedenbergite, Au = augite, C = calcite, Ch = chlorite



(Mag. x 96)

Photo No. 12
 Apatite in linear arrangement
 in feldspar
 (No. 3. petro. x 96)



(Mag. x 96)

Photo No. 13
 Ditto
 (No. 3. petro. x 38)

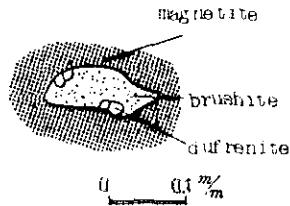


(Mag. x 38)

Dark portion = magnetite, White ground = feldspar, Ap = apatite,
 Ch = chlorite

Brushite, Monetite and Dufrenite: It was discovered, as a result of X-ray diffraction test, that the earthy, yellow minerals filling the druse in the massive ore consist mainly of brushite. As indicated in Fig. No. 1, there exist yellow

Fig. No. 1



and granular minerals, together with brushite, in the druse of magnetite aggregate. High optical index and double refraction of these minerals denote that they are optically identical to dufrenite. Further, it was inferred from X-ray diffraction test, that monetite and dufrenite are existing besides brushite.

It is therefore considered safe to conclude that these granular minerals are dufrenite.

As is clear from its composition, dufrenite is a phosphorus mineral with high iron content and exists, in paragenesis, with limonite as secondary mineral in the oxidized zone. It is easily decomposed by weathering. It is believed that dufrenite is subject to oxidation ($\text{Fe}^{2+} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{3+}$) which is followed by the dissociation of P_2O_5 and transformation into limonite.

It is accordingly concluded that what should be crystallized into apatite where gangue minerals are abundant, was found in the massive ore as dufrenite, and that P_2O_5 was dissociated and combined with Ca, forming $\text{CaHPO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (Brushite) or $2\text{CaO} \cdot \text{P}_2\text{O}_5 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (Monetite), and dufrenite itself was either transformed into goethite or remained partly as it is in relic.

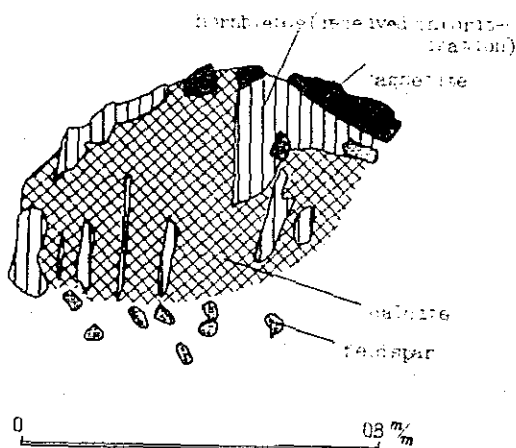
Brushite exists as dense aggregate of needle-like crystals of extremely fine grain ($5\mu^+$) which presents greenish yellow colour. Brushite aggregates

are found in irregular shape with the size below 1 mm, filling the interstice in between the magnetite aggregates. The optical index of brushite is little higher than that of balsam (1.53) and the double refraction is about 0.015. Dufrenite is found crystallized in the druse between magnetite aggregates in grains of about 0.03 mm.

3-4 Study into the science of ore deposits

mother rocks : Among the mineral assemblage , there exist so-called skarn minerals such as hedenbergite and epidote. However, these two minerals are found in small quantities, i.e., about 20% at maximum and about 5% on the average. The predominant gangue mineral is feldspar. One of the features of the mineral composition is that hardly any quartz is found. The feldspar consists of orthoclase (kali-orthoclase) and plagioclase (the composition of which comes under the category of oligoclase optically). While the former is found polluted by dust, the latter is found not clear or in intermittent in its albite-twin. As illustrated in Fig. No. 2, calcite which

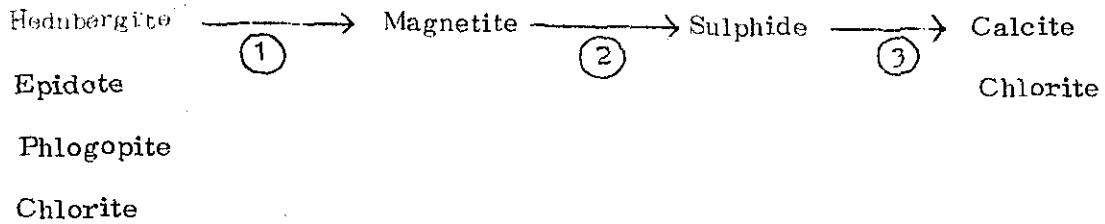
Fig. No. 2



replaced large crystals of hornblende is found involved, and further, as shown in Photo No. 9, corroded augite is existent. This would lead to the reasonable conclusion that the mother rocks are the neutral plutonic rocks, It is therefore inferred that the primary mineral components of the plutonic rock were orthoclase, oligoclase, hornblende (as ferromagnesia mineral - Sample No.

2 and others), and the accessory minerals were zircon, cassiterite, apatite, etc.

Order of Crystallization: Order of crystallization is presumed to have been roughly as follows.



① is conceivable by inferring that hedenbergite, epidote, etc. were involved in magnetite as its fine inclusions.

② is clear from Photo No. 14 which shows that pyrite surrounds granular magnetite and also fills the fissure in magnetite.

③ is also clear because calcite and chlorite fill, and traverse like veinlet, the openings left by grains of other minerals.

Photo No. 14
Magnetite in pyrite
(No. 2. reflect. x 102.5)



Mt = magnetite, Py = pyrite
(Mag. x 102.5)

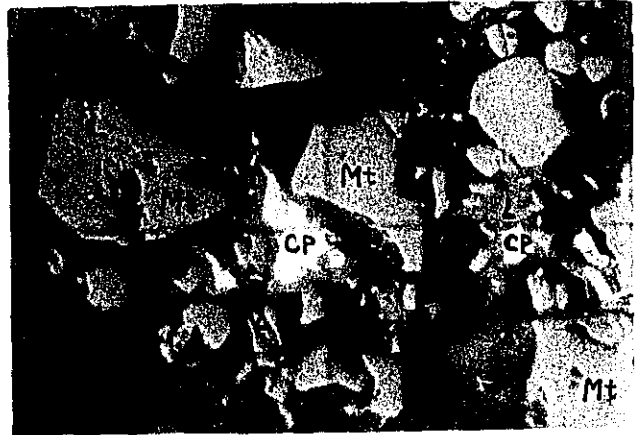
4. Description of ore

4-1 Sample No. 1 (Massive Ore, Trench No. 3)

Photo No. 15
Extremely fine grains of
magnetite (reflect.)



Photo No. 16
Fine grains of magnetite and
chalcopyrite (reflect.)



Mt = magnetite, Cp = chalcopyrite, L = limonite,
Dark portion = gangue minerals

0 0.05 0.1 $\frac{mm}{m}$

(Mag. x 370)

Texture: Porphyritic texture as shown in Photo No. 4 was noticed.

Magnetite: Generally, magnetite exists as irregular aggregate of hypidiorhombic tetragonal or hexagonal crystals of the size ranging from 0.2 - 0.02 mm. It also exists, in limited quantities, as single grains, but few of such single grains present idiomorphic shape.

Extremely small grains of about 5μ are also found scattered in the gangue but not in quantities.

Hematite: Edges of magnetite, about 5μ in width, are found transformed into hematite in few cases.

Limonite: Limonite is found surrounding magnetite and sulphide, polluting feldspar into brown colour.

Pyrite: Indeterminate grains of the size 0.03 - 0.01 mm are found scattered forming aggregates of indeterminate shape which are below 0.2 mm

in size.

Chalcopyrite: Indeterminate grains of the size ranging from 0.03 - 0.005 mm are found in the gangue, or exist with pyrite in paragenesis, filling the openings left by magnetite grains. It is often noticed that the edges are transformed into limonite (See Photo No. 16).

Feldspar: Feldspar exists in two different conditions, i.e., the one which forms albite-twin and presents hypidiomorphic lath-like or prismatic shape, and the other which is polluted by brown dust, with the optical index equivalent to or lower than that of balsam, generally presenting feather-like extinction and allotriomorphic shape. The former is judged to be equivalent to oligoclase from the fact that its angle of maximum symmetric extinction (at 010 plane) is small and its optical index is sometimes higher than that of balsam. The latter is orthoclase. Size of feldspar ranges from 0.2 - 0.1 mm. Since magnetite presents idiomorphic shape when compared to feldspar with irregular replacement, the feldspar aggregate shows wide fluctuation in size which ranges from 0.6 - 0.04 mm.

Calcite: Calcite is found filling the interstice left by magnetite and feldspar, and presents irregular shapes ranging in size from 1 - 0.01 mm.

Chlorite: Light green in colour, and extremely low in its double refraction, chlorite is found in fibrous state, and the length of the fibre is shorter than 0.04 mm. Found as irregular aggregate, it often exists with calcite in paragenesis and occasionally intersects calcite in veinlet-like form. It also exists as aggregate of the size 0.2 - 0.01 mm intruding into magnetite aggregate.

Hedenbergite: Hypidiomorphic and allotriomorphic prism in shape, hedenbergite exists in calcite and chlorite. $CAN = 34 - 37^\circ$. In feldspar,

it exists with chlorite in paragenesis but not alone.

Epidote: Hypidiomorphic and allotriomorphic prism in shape, epidote shows peculiar yellow pleochroism of 0.03 x 0.02 - 0.01 mm. It is found in calcite, chlorite and feldspar, and most frequently in calcite.

Smaragdite: Accompanying calcite, smaragdite is found as idiomorphic prism of the size 0.1 x 0.07 mm.

Apatite: Apatite is idiomorphic and hypidiomorphic hexagon or prism in shape, with the size of 0.2 x 0.05 mm at maximum and 0.02 mm on the average. It intrudes into magnetite aggregate, but rarely into magnetite grain. Its concentrated intrusion into magnetite aggregate is found forming an approximate linear arrangement, though intermittently.

4-2 Sample No. 2 (Disseminated Ore, Trench No. 3)

Texture: Magnetite grains are generally of large size. Coarse grains of magnetite are found scattered in the gangue as single grains without forming aggregates. Pyrite is also found scattered in grains of large size.

Magnetite: About one third of magnetite is found scattered in the gangue presenting idiomorphic and hypidiomorphic shape of rhomb, hexagon or trigon. Size ranges from 0.2 - 0.1 mm generally, and from 0.5 - 0.1 mm in coarse grains. Some of these grains have substantial inclusions of hedenbergite of the size 0.03 - 0.005 mm.

About two thirds of magnetite are fine grains, ranging in size from 0.08 - 0.02 mm, and are scattered as single grain or aggregate,

Hematite & Limonite: Hematite is found in lattice shape of about 2μ width around the edges of magnetite. As for limonite, its condition is the same as in Sample No. 1.

Pyrite & Chalcopyrite: Porphyritic pyrite of large grain, generally forming veinlet-like arrangement and presenting idiomorphic and hypidiomorphic square shape, is found in quantities. The grain size ranges from the maximum of 1.4×1.0 mm to the minimum of 0.07 mm, averaging 0.4 - 0.2 mm. Pyrite envelopes and occasionally intersects magnetite grains. Further, pyrite aggregate consisting of extremely small grains, 0.02 - 0.006 mm in size, is found included in the gangue or enclosing magnetite.

Chalcopyrite is found between magnetite grains or in the gangue, and presents irregular shapes of the size ranging from 0.14 - 0.02 mm.

It is noticed that the feldspar near these two minerals are often polluted into brown colour.

Feldspar: Most of feldspar presents feather-like extinction and is polluted by dust. Though the clear albite-twin is not found excepting carlsbad twin, there exists comparatively fresh feldspar which is considered to be plagioclase. Excepting the idiomorphic prismatic shape likely to have been formed by plagioclase, it presents allotriomorphic shape, with the size ranging from 0.2 - 0.1 mm generally. Magnetite and apatite are idiomorphic when compared to feldspar.

Calcite: Allotriomorphic calcite of the size ranging from 0.4 - 0.1 mm forms irregular aggregates filling the interstice left by feldspar

and magnetite.

Hedenbergite: Most are found as extremely small grains of the size 0.04 - 0.02 mm, widely scattered in feldspar.

Epidote: Indeterminate epidote of the size 0.05 - 0.02 mm is found forming aggregates, existing with calcite in paragenesis.

Smaragdite: Fibrous smaragdite, 0.4 mm in length and 0.04 mm in width, is found in feldspar. It is often found accompanying calcite.

Chlorite: Extremely short fibrous chlorite, 0.05 mm in size, forms aggregates, existing with calcite in paragenesis. Large porphyritic hornblende is found to have been replaced by calcite, with its small remainder having been transformed into chlorite. (See Fig. No. 2)

Phlogopite: Lath-like idiomorphic phlogopite, size below 0.1 x 0.05 mm, is found in feldspar in paragenesis with calcite.

Cassiterite: Cassiterite presents indeterminate shape of the approximate size of 0.05 mm, and is found intruding mainly in the edges of magnetite.

Apatite: Presenting needle-like or hexagonal idiomorphic shape, apatite grains, size ranging from 0.2 x 0.06 - 0.04 x 0.01 mm, are found scattered in feldspar in paragenesis with pyroxene. A small quantity of apatite is noted to be stuck to magnetite. As in Sample No. 1, adhesion to magnetite is found concentrated.

4-3 Sample No. 3 (Massive and Disseminated Ore, Trench No. 4)

Sample No. 3 is the mixture of disseminated ore and massive ore. The disseminated ore exists in the gangue as single grains or as aggregates of

coarse grain. Massive ore exists as irregular aggregates of coarse and fine grain, presenting porphyritic texture (1 - 0.1 mm in size) of the gangue.

Magnetite: The maximum size observed reaches 1 mm. In general, however, magnetite is found either as coarse grains of 0.5 - 0.2 mm or as extremely fine grains of less than 0.05 mm. Coarse grains constitute about 3/4 of the entire magnetite grains, and are found as single grains or aggregates presenting hypidiomorphic and allotriomorphic shapes with a small quantity found in idiomorphic rhombus or hexagonal shapes. Grains of large size, about 1 mm, are found to possess lots of inclusions which are in many cases indeterminate feldspar of the size ranging from 0.1 - 0.01 mm.

Limonite & Hematite: Hardly any hematite is found. Limonite is polluting the edges and environs of sulfide as well as gangue minerals near sulfide.

Pyrite & Chalcopyrite: Chalcopyrite is almost non-existent. Pyrite is usually found as coarse grains, with the maximum size reaching 2.8 x 1.6 mm. As a rule, however, it is of the size 1 - 0.2 mm, presenting hypidiomorphic rectangular or hexagonal shape. As shown in Photo No. 17, some grains present the shape likely to have been formed by replacing ferromagnesia minerals. Besides these, indeterminate or granular pyrite, 0.1 - 0.01 mm in size, is found scattered as single grains in the gangue, or filling the interstice between magnetite grains in the form of aggregate.

Photo No. 17
Large crystal of pyrite
(reflect. x 32)

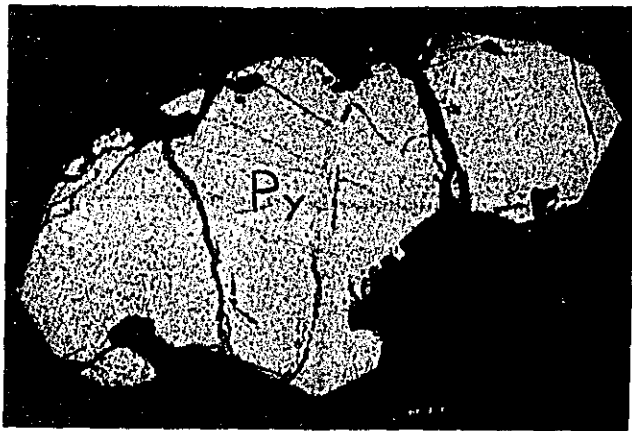
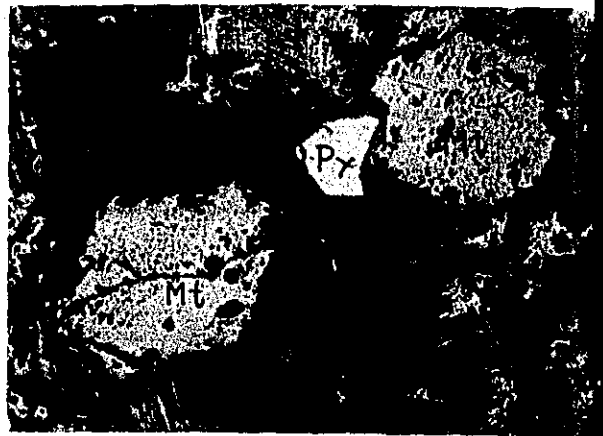


Photo No. 18
Idiomorphic magnetite and pyrite
(reflect. x 32)



Mt = magnetite, Py = pyrite, Dark portion = gangue minerals

0 0.5 10 $\frac{m}{m}$

(Mag. x 32)

- Augite: Presenting hypidiomorphic prismatic shape of short size, augite is found corroded in its edges, and chloritized along the edges and fissure. (See Photo No. 9) $C \wedge Z = 40 - 52^\circ$. Being larger than hedenbergite, it has the maximum size of 1.4 x 2.0 mm but averages 0.6 - 0.1 mm, and presents idiomorphic shape when compared to feldspar in which it is included. It is also found occasionally intruding into magnetite, and sometimes envelopes apatite as inclusion. Some are found impregnated by limonite along the cleavage.
- Phlogopite: Presenting wide lath-like shape with the length of 0.6 mm, phlogopite is found chloritized along the cleavage, and in some cases envelopes augite.
- Chlorite: Besides being found as the chloritized edges of augite and mica, chlorite exists in feldspar, intermittently or forming veinlets as fibrous aggregates of the size below 0.4 x 0.2 mm.

Calcite: About 0.6 - 0.2 mm in size, calcite is found to irregularly intrude into grains of, and fill the interstice left by, magnetite, feldspar and augite.

Cassiterite: Presenting irregular shapes of the size approximately 0.04 mm, cassiterite is found adhered to magnetite grains.

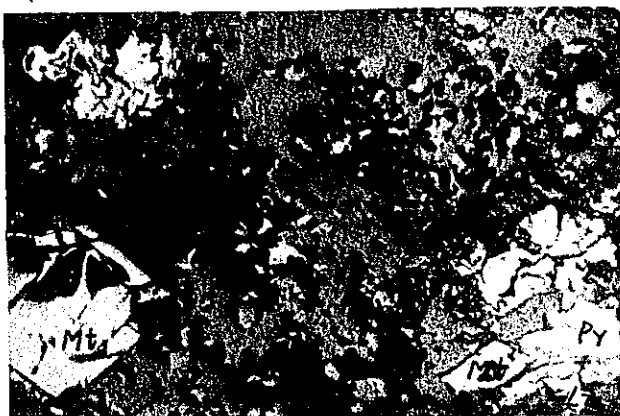
Feldspar: Indeterminate in shape, feldspar has the size of 2 mm at maximum, averaging 0.6 mm. Twins are mostly not clear, but what appears like albite-twins are found in small quantities. Feldspar is generally found polluted by dust, and presents feather-like extinction and is shaped like the tip of a broom.

Apatite: Apatite presents isomorphous prismatic or hexagonal shape and has the size of 0.2 x 0.06 mm at maximum and 0.06 - 0.02 mm on the average. Though some are found scattered in feldspar, most are concentrated particularly around the edges of magnetite. Intrusion into magnetite is hardly noted. It also forms linear arrangement which is 5 mm in length and 0.2 - 0.04 mm in width. (See Photo No. 12 and No. 13)

4-4 Sample No. 4 (Disseminated Ore, Upper Zone)

Texture: Single grains of coarse grain magnetite and aggregates of fine grain magnetite are found scattered in the gangue. (See Photo No. 3 and No. 7)

Photo No. 19
Pyrite remaining as relic in limonite
(reflect. x 102.5)



Mt = magnetite, Py = pyrite, Lm = limonite

0 0.5 mm

(Mag. x 102.5)

Magnetite: Hypidiomorphic and allotriomorphic in shape, magnetite has the average size of 0.4 - 0.1 mm , with the size of coarse grains being below 0.7 mm. It exists as single grains where gangue minerals are found in quantities and also as aggregates where gangue minerals are scanty. It is found in few cases in idiomorphic hexagonal or rhombus shape. Fine grains of less than 0.1 mm are found in feldspar as single grains or irregular aggregates. And extremely small grains of hedenbergite are found included in such irregular aggregates.

Limonite: Hematite is not found in quantities, and a substantial quantity of hematite is found to have been transformed into limonite. As shown in Photo No. 19, pyrite is mostly transformed into limonite and exists in paragenesis with magnetite or intrudes irregularly among gangue minerals. Pyrite transformed into limonite is found as grains of the size ranging from 0.1 - 0.04 mm, and it is noted that feldspar near such limonite grains is polluted into brown colour.

Pyrite: Pyrite is found as fine grains. Transformation of pyrite into limonite is noted to be substantially developed. Forming irregular aggregates of about 0.1 mm, pyrite intrudes in between the grains of magnetite and gangue minerals. The size of relic pyrite is about 0.05 x 0.01 mm.

Feldspar: Less than 0.1 mm in size, feldspar presents feather-like extinction and is mostly polluted by dust. A small quantity of albite-twins is seen though not clearly. Excepting a small quantity which presents hypidiomorphic lath-like shape, feldspar

is allotriomorphic in shape.

Hedenbergite: With the size below 0.2 mm, generally ranging from 0.1 - 0.04 mm, hedenbergite presents hypidiomorphic and allotriomorphic lath-like shape and is found enclosed by chlorite in feldspar.
 $CAZ = 34 - 41^\circ$.

Epidote: 0.3×0.15 at maximum and generally 0.2 - 0.1 mm in size, epidote presents hypidiomorphic and allotriomorphic prismatic shape, and exists in paragenesis with hedenbergite in feldspar.

Chlorite: Besides filling the interstice left by magnetite and hedenbergite, it is occasionally found in feldspar forming veinlets of 0.01 mm width or hypidiomorphic lath-like aggregates of less than 0.2 mm length.

Zircon: Prismatic and tetragonal zircon, size averaging 0.07 - 0.009 mm and 0.15 mm at maximum, is found in comparatively large quantities around hedenbergite.

Titanite: Titanite is shaped like an arrowhead and has the maximum size of 0.4 mm and average size of 0.06 - 0.1 mm. It exists in paragenesis with magnetite.

Apatite: Prismatic apatite, maximum size 0.15 and average size 0.07 - 0.01 mm, is found forming groups comprising several grains, and these groups are scattered in feldspar.

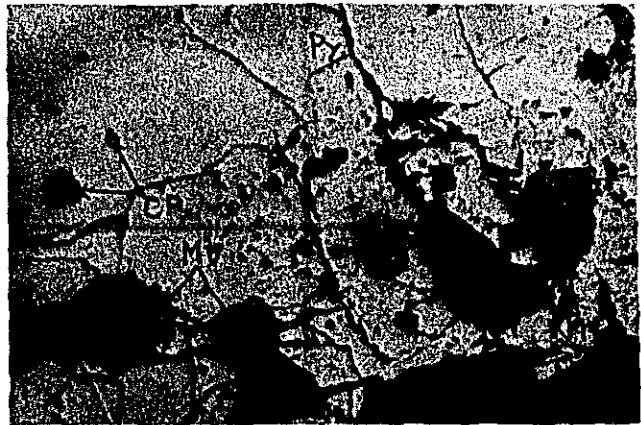
4-5 Sample No. 5 (Massive Ore, Middle Zone)

Texture: Magnetite is found irregularly aggregated, leaving the irregular and porphyritic texture of the gangue.

Magnetite: Since magnetite is aggregated, individual grains cannot be clearly identified. However, the size ranges from the maximum of 1 mm to the minimum of 5μ . Generally, grains

of 0.2 - 0.06 mm are found irregularly aggregated. Chlorite and mica are found intruding in magnetite aggregate of the size below 0.3 mm in such way as is influenced by the shape and condition of interstice in between magnetite grains.

Photo No. 20
Magnetite and extremely small grains of chalcopyrite in limonite (reflect. x 102.5).



Cp = chalcopyrite, Mt = magnetite,
Py = pyrite

0 0.5mm

(Mag. x 102.5)

Limonite: Limonite is found to be polluting the gangue minerals.

Pyrite: Pyrite exists as coarse grains of the size averaging 0.1 mm and up with the maximum size of 1.4 x 0.8 mm, and fills the interstice left by magnetite grains, also enveloping hypidiomorphic magnetite grains. (See Photo No. 20)
Occasionally, it has the inclusion of chalcopyrite of the size 0.05 - 0.015 mm. (See Photo No. 20)

Feldspar: Feldspar is seen left in between the magnetite grains, forming irregular shapes with the size below 0.2 mm.

Hedenbergite: Hedenbergite exists as single grains of the size ranging from 0.2 - 0.005 mm or as aggregates, and both intrude into magnetite grains.

Phlogopite: Phlogopite shows pleochroism ranging from bluish-green to transparent, and can be distinguished from biotite by its large optical axial angle. It is found in between magnetite

grains, forming lath-like shape of the approximate size 0.2 mm.

Apatite: Apatite exists in between magnetite grains, presenting prismatic and granular shapes, with the size below 0.05 mm.

Brushite: Presenting indeterminate shape of the size below 1 mm, brushite intrudes in the intersitce left by ore minerals. Light yellowish green in colour, it exists as aggregates of needle-like crystals which are $5\mu^+$ in size, and has almost no pleochroism. Overlapped crystals show ostensibly high double refraction, which is considered attributable to the monetite content. Double refraction of a single crystal on the edge is about 0.015. Elongation is positive.

Dufrenite-like mineral: Presenting granular appearance with the size of 0.03 mm^+ , it intrudes into the drusy opening in magnetite aggregate. The colour is yellow, and both its optical index and double refraction are extremely high.

4-6 Sample No. 6 (Disseminated Ore, Lower Zone)

Texture: Magnetite of coarse and fine grain is found scattered in the gangue as single grains or aggregates.

Magnetite: Most of single grains are idiomorphic and hypidiomorphic hexagon and tetragon in shape, ranging in size from 0.2 - 0.02 mm. They are often found lining around the edges of feldspar (See Fig. No. 3) or accompanied by chlorite. In some cases, they present corona texture (See Fig. No. 4).

Fig. No. 3

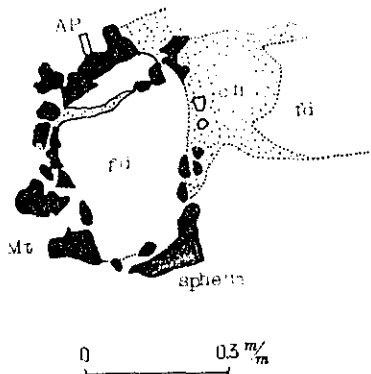
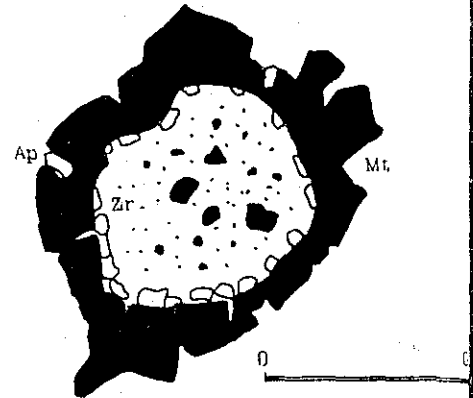


Fig. No. 4



Mt = magnetite, Fd = feldspar, Ch = chlorite, Zr = zircon,
Ap = apatite

Hematite: Hematite intrudes into magnetite forming lattice shape which is 2μ in width. (See Photo No. 21) It is found in small quantities.

Pyrite: Size of pyrite ranges from the maximum of 0.8 x 0.4 mm (hypidiomorphic) to 0.1 mm, but in general it exists as fine grains of the size below 0.02 mm which intrude in the gangue forming indeterminate veinlets. Also, in very few cases, pyrite of indeterminate shape of the size 0.01 mm - 5μ is found intruding into magnetite. (See Photo No. 22)

Photo No. 21

Hematite intruding in lattice-like shape (reft. x 370)

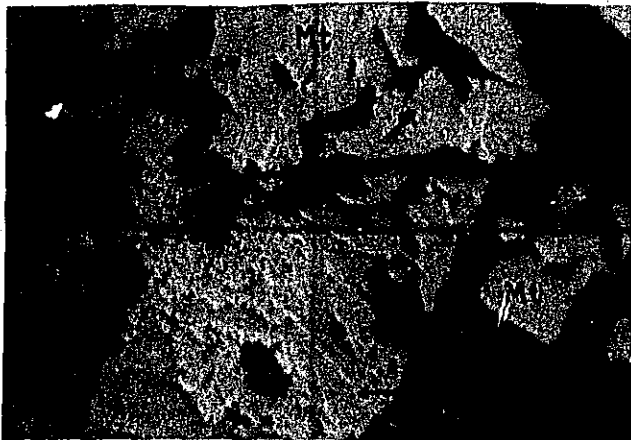


Photo No. 22

Extremely small pyrite grain in magnetite (reflect. x 370)



Mt = magnetite, Py = pyrite, Dark portion = gangue minerals

0 0.1 mm

(Mag. x 370)

Chalcopyrite: Chalcopyrite is found in the gangue in indeterminate shapes of about 0.1 - 0.05 mm. It is noted that its edges are partially oxidized and transformed into bornite and chalcocite.

Feldspar: Less than 0.4 mm in size and indeterminate in shape, feldspar presents feather-like extinction and is often found polluted by dust. A small quantity shows albite-twin, though not clearly.

Chlorite: Besides enveloping magnetite and intruding in the gangue irregularly, chlorite is found occasionally intruding into feldspar, forming veinlet of less than 0.1 mm width.

Epidote: Hypidiomorphic and allotriomorphic prism of epidote, with the length ranging from 0.3 - 0.1 mm, is found scattered. It is found in quantities in feldspar and around magnetite. It is noted in the gangue that there are points where epidote or hedenbergite is concentrated.

Hedenbergite: Generally presenting granular shape of 0.1 - 0.04 mm, and partially presenting hypidiomorphic prismatic shape, hedenbergite is found on the edges of magnetite and often accompanied by chlorite. $C\wedge Z = 35 - 39^\circ$.

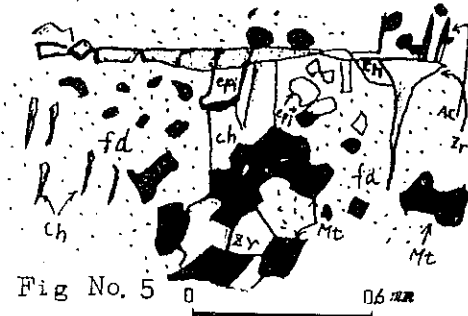
Phlogopite: Usually presenting lath-like shape with 0.2 mm length, phlogopite exists in paragenesis with magnetite. Most of it are found chloritized.

Zircon: Generally below 0.1 mm in size, zircon adheres to, and intrudes into magnetite. An unusual type of zircon, as illustrated in Fig. No. 5, is also noticed.

Smaragdite: Smaragdite exists as long prismatic and needle-like crystals of the approximate size 0.05 x 0.005 mm.

Calcite: Calcite is found intruding in the gangue with the size below 0.4 mm.

Apatite: The size is below 0.3 mm, averaging 0.05 - 0.02 mm. Apatite



intrudes in the gangue, presenting idiomorphic hexagonal and prismatic shape. It is found mostly in feldspar and chlorite around magnetite. A limited quantity is noticed to be intruding into magnetite grain.

Fig No. 5

4-7 X-Ray Diffraction Test on Brushite

Since the test sample, which is yellow and earthy, was not sufficiently available, the diffraction test was conducted by spreading it thinly on the glass plate. The test indicated that there are peaks which are not clear.

Conditions for X-Ray were as follows.

Cu target; Ni-filter used; 30 KV - 20 mA; Scale factor 16;

Multiplier 1; Time constant 2 sec.; Scanning speed and chert

speed $2^{\circ} - 2$ cm/min; Slit $1^{\circ} - 0.4$ mm.

When compared to the data of ASTM card, it was noted that the test results of brushite are in excellent conformity, whereas those of dufrenite showed, though found in fairly good conformity, certain problems relative to intensity, etc. Further review in this respect should therefore be made together with the clarification of the peaks that are not clear.

<u>Sample</u>		<u>ASTM 11 -293</u>		<u>ASTM 8 - 155</u>	
<u>d</u>	<u>I/Io</u>	<u>Brushite</u>		<u>Dufrenite</u>	
		<u>d</u>	<u>I/Io</u>	<u>d</u>	<u>I/Io</u>
12	3			12.33	30
7.6	100	7.62	100		
7.1	6			6.90	10
6.6	3			6.54	10

<u>Sample</u>		<u>Brushite</u>		<u>Dufrenite</u>	
d	I/I ₀	d	I/I ₀	d	I/I ₀
5.96	2			6.10	10
5.75	13				
5.43	4			5.59	10
5.12	11			5.05	90
4.4	2			4.40	30
4.29	8	4.27	2		
4.15	2			4.15	40
3.814	19	3.80	30		
3.63	4			3.67	20
3.56	3				
3.351	9			3.42	90
3.13	9			3.17	100
3.081	18	3.06	8	3.01	40
2.968	5				
2.873	15			2.88	50
2.794	7			2.81	20
2.769	5				
2.535	14	2.53	6		

SUPPLEMENT III

BENEFICIATION TEST ON IRON ORES OF PEÑA COLORADA MINE

The magnetic separation test and other relevant tests, results of which are herein contained, were conducted on the magnetite bearing phosphorus minerals and sulphide minerals of the Peña Colorado mine at the Mitaka Laboratory of Nittetsu Consultants Co., Ltd.

1. Outline of Test Results

(1) Qualities of Ores

As shown in Table No. 1, there are 3 kinds of test samples. Test samples, generally noted to be brittle, could be crushed with relatively little difficulty. Results of complete analysis of the sample ores, as shown in Table No. 2, indicate that S and P contents generally increase in proportion to Fe content.

(2) Test Results

(a) Chemical Analysis of Ores

Results of chemical analysis are as shown in Table No. 2-1.

No particular problems were noted excepting the existence of deleterious S and P contents.

(b) Sizing-Assay

For Ores A and B, sizing-assay was conducted over 5 stages of grain size ranging from 25 mm to -20 mesh. As a result, it was discovered that there are very few grade fluctuations by the size of grain, particularly in Ore A. Results of sizing-assay are given in Table No. 3.

(c) Magnetic Separation Test on Various Sizes

Magnetic separation test on Ore A resulted in the conclusion that the beneficiation would not be very effective on grains of the size exceeding 100 mesh and that it starts to be effective on grain size -200 mesh. Grades and other particulars of final concentrate of Ore A with the grain size of -200 mesh are as given in Table No. 6-4.

With regard to Ore B, it was revealed, as a result of the magnetic separation test, that it consists of grains more or less rough when compared to Ore A and is subject to isolation. This leads to the relatively easy separation of S and P contents. By beneficiation on grain size -100 mesh, Fe grade of concentrate marked 57%, and it is expected that the grade can be further elevated on grain size -200 mesh.

Results of test on Ore C (Mixture of Ore A and B), shown in Table No. 9, indicated that scalping effects can only be expected on size -20 mesh. With the grain size -200 mesh, however, grades of Fe and P contents of the final concentrates registered 69.65% and 0.023% respectively, nearly meeting the expectation.

(3) Comments and Suggestions

Tests on the above 3 kinds of ores have led to the following comments and suggestions.

(a) In order to obtain concentrates with the grade of P content below 0.05%, it is necessary to set the grain size of the feed ore at -200 mesh at the last stage of magnetic separation.

(b) Cleaning was conducted twice on the concentrates obtained by magnetic separation, and it was noticed the cleaning has remarkable effects in all cases. P content, in particular, was notably degraded by the cleaning. It would therefore be advisable to perform at least more

than two cleanings.

(c) The grain size of concentrate marked, in the case of the final concentrate of Ore C with the grain size -200 mesh, -325 mesh 58%.

Whether or not this size is suitable for pellet will have to be determined by further tests.

2. Test Method, Purpose, etc.

(1) Test Sample

Table No. 1

<u>Kind</u>	<u>Test Sample</u>	<u>Sampling Place</u>
A	Massive Ore	Trench No. 3
B	Disseminated Ore	" "
C	Massive Ore + Disseminated Ore	" No. 4

(2) Purpose of Tests

(a) Complete analysis and fluorescent X-ray analysis of ores.

(b) Study into grades by grain size

(c) Magnetic separation on various grain sizes, with importance placed upon beneficiation efficiency and separation of P content according to the grain size.

(3) Test Method

25 - 0,3 mm : Dry magnetic separation
-3 mm : Wet magnetic separation
Separator : Gröndel separator

(4) Process of Test

See the attached flow sheets.

3. Test Results

(1) Complete Analysis and Fluorescent X-Ray Analysis of Ores

Table No. 2-1: Chemical Analysis

Sample	Fe	FeO	S	P	Cu	MgO	SiO ₂	CaO	Al ₂ O ₃	Sn	Zn	Mn
A	58.73	23.62	2.039	0.206	0.024	2.00	6.94	3.74	2.88	0.01	0.01	0.13
B	28.41	7.27	1.957	0.071	0.022	4.10	33.02	5.53	13.40	tr	0.01	0.11
C	49.92	14.61	0.866	0.241	0.013	3.08	13.87	6.38	4.52	0.01	0.01	0.05

Table No. 2-2: Fluorescent X-Ray Analysis

Sample	As	TiO ₂	Cd	Mn	Zn	Cu	Sr	Sn	Zr	Pd	Mo
A	-	-	tr	tr	tr	-	tr	tr	-	tr	tr
B	-	-	-	tr	tr	-	-	-	tr	tr	-
C	-	-	-	-	tr	-	tr	tr	-	-	-

Table No. 3: Results of Sizing-Assay

Sam- ple	Grain size	(Weight %)		(Assay %)			(Distribution %)		
		%	Accumulated %	Fe	S	P	Fe	S	P
A	25-15 mm	28.31	28.21	59.74	1.425	0.215	28.48	21.55	28.94
	15-6 mm	48.24	76.55	59.35	1.900	0.209	48.21	46.97	47.94
	6-3 mm	8.31	84.36	58.54	2.715	0.202	8.19	11.56	7.98
	3-20 mesh	6.57	91.43	58.75	2.444	0.203	6.50	8.23	6.34
	-20 mesh	8.57	100.00	59.74	2.661	0.216	8.62	11.69	8.80
B	25-15 mm	46.08	46.08	27.54	1.988	0.072	45.31	45.55	44.37
	15-6 mm	31.26	77.34	28.06	1.924	0.077	31.32	29.91	32.21
	6-3 mm	6.89	84.23	27.84	2.036	0.074	6.85	6.98	6.82
	3-20 mesh	2.55	91.78	26.75	2.156	0.077	7.21	8.09	7.78
	-20 mesh	8.22	100.00	31.74	2.318	0.080	9.21	9.47	8.80

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(3) Magnetic Separation on Various Sizes - Ore A

Table No. 4-1

Grain Magnetic Pro-
size power duct

(Gauss)

Weight %

Wt. % \pm Wt. %

Fe

Assay %

S

P

Fe

S

P

Distribution %

Grain size	Magnetic power	Pro-duct	(Gauss)	Wt. %	\pm Wt. %	Fe	S	P	Fe	S	P	Distribution %
15-6	500		F	100.00		59.04	2.255	0.266	100.00	100.00		100.00
		mm	C	99.35		59.10	2.249	0.206	99.46	99.07		99.35
			M	0.64		49.71	3.215	0.207	0.54	0.91		0.64
			T	0.01		13.96	4.677	0.150	0	0.02		0.01

Table No. 4-2

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Grain size	Magnetic power	Pro-duct	(Gauss)	Wt. %	\pm Wt. %	Fe	S	P	Fe	S	P	Distribution %
6-3	500		F	100.00		59.36	2.196	0.208	100.00	100.00		100.00
		mm	C	99.2		59.47	2.095	0.208	99.39	94.64		99.25
			M	0.6		50.88	10.638	0.218	0.51	2.91		0.63
			T	0.2		29.05	26.947	0.129	0.10	2.45		0.12

Table No. 4-3

Grain size	Magnetic power	Pro-duct	(Gauss)	Wt. %	\pm Wt. %	Fe	S	P	Fe	S	P	Distribution %
3mm	500		F	100.00		58.29	2.572	0.192	100.00	100.00		100.00
			C	97.6		58.81	1.844	0.194	98.51	70.00		98.18
		mesh	M	0.8		38.91	26.546	0.183	0.50	7.74		0.76
			T	1.6		35.73	35.345	0.127	0.99	22.26		1.06

Table No. 4-4

Grain size	Magnetic power	Pro-duct	(Gauss)	Wt. %	\pm Wt. %	Fe	S	P	Fe	S	P	Distribution %
-20	500		F	100.00		60.13	2.624	0.215	100.00	100.00		100.00
		mesh	C	92.7		62.45	1.064	0.155	96.29	39.04		66.99
			M	1.0		45.45	11.019	0.332	0.77	4.45		1.55
			T	0.3		28.22	22.748	1.071	2.94	56.51		31.46

(3) Magnetic Separation on Various Sizes - Ore A - Cont'd -

Table No. 5-1

Grain size	Magnetic power (Gauss)	Product	Weight %		Assay %			Distribution %		
			Wt. %	Σ Wt. %	Fe	S	P	Fe	S	P
-20 mesh	1,000	F1	100.0	100.0	59.91	1.850	0.199	100.00	100.00	100.00
"	"	C1	93.9	93.9	61.95	1.198	0.139	97.10	60.79	65.72
"	"	T1	6.1	6.1	28.51	11.893	0.948	2.90	39.21	34.28

Table No. 5-2

-100 mesh	500	F2 (=C1)	100.0	93.9	61.95	1.198	0.139	100.00	100.00	100.00
"	"	C2	93.4	87.7	64.77	0.393	0.097	97.24	38.10	65.25
"	"	T2	6.6	6.2	25.98	9.035	0.905	2.76	61.90	34.75

Table No. 6-1

Grain size	Magnetic power (Gauss)	Product	Weight %	% by test	Ore % set at 100	Assay %			Distribution %		
						Fe	S	P	Fe	S	P
-20 mesh	1,000	F1	100.00	100.00	59.76	2.078	0.206	100.00	100.00	100.00	
"	"	C1	92.97	92.97	62.32	1.388	0.158	96.96	62.10	72.04	
"	"	T1	7.03	7.03	25.89	11.211	0.819	3.04	37.90	27.96	

Table No. 6-2

-20 mesh	1,000	F2 (=T1)	100.00	7.03	25.89	11.211	0.819	3.04	37.90	27.96
"	"	C2	4.98	0.35	46.97	5.997	0.227	0.27	1.00	0.38
"	"	T2	95.02	6.08	24.79	11.483	0.850	2.77	36.90	27.58

(3) Magnetic Separation on Various Sizes - Ore A - Cont'd -

Table No. 6-3

Grain size	Magnetic power (Gauss)	Product	Weight %		Assay %		Distribution %			
			% by test	ore % set at 100	Fe	S	Fe	S	P	
-200 mesh	500	F3(=C1)	100.00	92.97	62.35	1.388	0.159	96.96	62.10	72.04
		C3	88.37	82.16	67.04	0.550	0.076	92.18	21.76	30.44
		T3	11.63	10.81	26.41	17.751	0.791	4.47	40.34	41.60

Table No. 6-4

-200 mesh	500	F4(=C2)	100.00	82.16	67.04	0.550	0.076	92.18	21.76	30.44
		C4	95.61	78.55	68.68	0.155	0.050	90.29	5.86	19.09
		T4	4.79	3.61	31.40	9.167	0.648	1.89	15.90	11.35

Table No. 6-5

-200 mesh	500	F5(=T3)	100.00	10.81	26.46	7.751	0.791	4.47	40.34	41.60
		C5	15.84	1.71	64.64	0.824	0.098	1.85	0.68	0.82
		T5	84.16	9.10	19.28	9.054	0.922	2.93	39.66	40.78

(3) Magnetic Separation on Various Sizes - Ore B

Table No. 7-1

Grain size	Magnetic power Gauss	Product	Weight %		Assay %			Distribution %		
			Wt. %	Σ Wt. %	Fe	S	P	Fe	S	P
25-15 mm	500	F	100.0		27.31	1.986	0.070	100.00	100.00	100.00
		C	91.6		27.77	2.036	0.068	93.14	93.73	89.14
	1,000	M	7.9		23.13	1.515	0.086	6.69	6.03	9.72
	"	T	0.5		9.55	0.978	0.159	0.17	0.24	1.14

Table No. 7-2

15-6 mm	500	F	100.0		28.27	1.696	0.072	100.00	100.00	100.00
		C	93.7		28.94	1.652	0.070	95.91	91.26	91.68
	1,000	M	6.1		18.63	2.347	0.092	4.02	8.44	7.84
	"	T	0.2		10.49	2.561	0.172	0.07	0.30	0.48

Table No. 7-3

6-3 mm	500	F	100.0		27.36	1.814	0.071	100.00	100.00	100.00
		C	93.0		28.38	1.705	0.068	96.46	87.42	89.62
	1,000	M	5.3		15.33	3.400	0.097	2.97	9.93	7.29
	"	T	1.7		9.14	2.825	0.128	0.57	2.65	3.09

Table No. 7-4

3 mm - 20 mesh	500	F	100.0		25.63	2.274	0.070	100.00	100.00	100.00
		C	60.4		32.62	1.707	0.061	76.95	45.38	52.32
	1,000	M	24.1		18.28	2.611	0.075	17.15	27.62	25.67
	"	T	15.5		9.75	3.960	0.100	5.90	27.00	22.01

(3) Magnetic Separation on Various Sizes - Ore Be - Cont'd -

Table No. 7-5

Grain size	Magnetic power Gauss	Product	Weight %		Assay %			Distribution %		
			Wt. %	Σ Wt. %	Fe	S	P	Fe	S	P
		F	100.0		31.41	2.267	0.079	100.00	100.00	100.00
-20 mm	500	C	55.1		48.14	0.835	0.043	84.46	20.29	29.89
	1,000	M	3.5		18.00	2.745	0.074	2.00	4.24	3.27
		T	41.4		10.27	4.133	0.128	13.54	75.47	66.84

Table No. 8-1

		F1	100.0	100.0	31.72	1.876	0.088	100.00	100.00	100.00
-20 mesh	1,000	C1	64.3	64.3	40.25	1.116	0.053	81.59	38.25	38.75
		T1	35.7	35.7	16.36	3.245	0.114	18.41	61.75	61.25

Table No. 8-2

		F2(=C1)	100.0	64.3	40.25	1.116	0.051	100.00	100.00	100.00
-100 mesh	500	C2	65.0	41.8	57.02	0.308	0.026	88.07	17.99	31.91
		T2	35.0	22.5	14.34	2.608	0.096	11.93	82.01	68.09

(3) Magnetic Separation on Various Sizes - Ore 'C'

Table No. 9-1

Grain size	Magnetic power	Product	Weight %		Assay %			Distribution %		
			% by test	ore % set at 100	Fe	S	P	S	Fe	P
-20	1,000	F1	100.00	100.00	51.14	0.963	0.234	100.00	100.00	100.00
		C1	84.91	84.91	58.29	0.537	0.148	46.52	96.79	53.60
		T1	15.09	15.09	10.87	3.413	0.719	53.48	3.21	46.40

Table No. 9-2

		F2(=T1)	100.00	15.09	10.87	3.413	0.719	53.48	3.21	46.40
-20	1,000	C2	1.52	0.23	28.37	3.783	0.335	0.90	0.13	0.33
		T2	98.48	14.86	10.60	3.407	0.725	52.58	3.08	46.07

Table No. 9-3

		F3(=C1)	100.00	84.91	58.29	0.527	0.148	46.52	96.79	53.60
-200	500	C3	81.39	69.11	66.99	0.126	0.047	8.26	90.54	13.76
		T3	18.61	15.80	20.24	2.332	0.590	38.26	6.25	39.84

Table No. 9-4

		F4(=C3)	100.00	69.11	66.99	0.115	0.047	8.26	90.54	13.76
-200	500	C4	94.70	65.45	69.65	0.028	0.023	1.90	89.15	6.44
		T4	5.30	3.66	19.45	1.670	0.467	6.36	1.39	7.32

Table No. 9-5

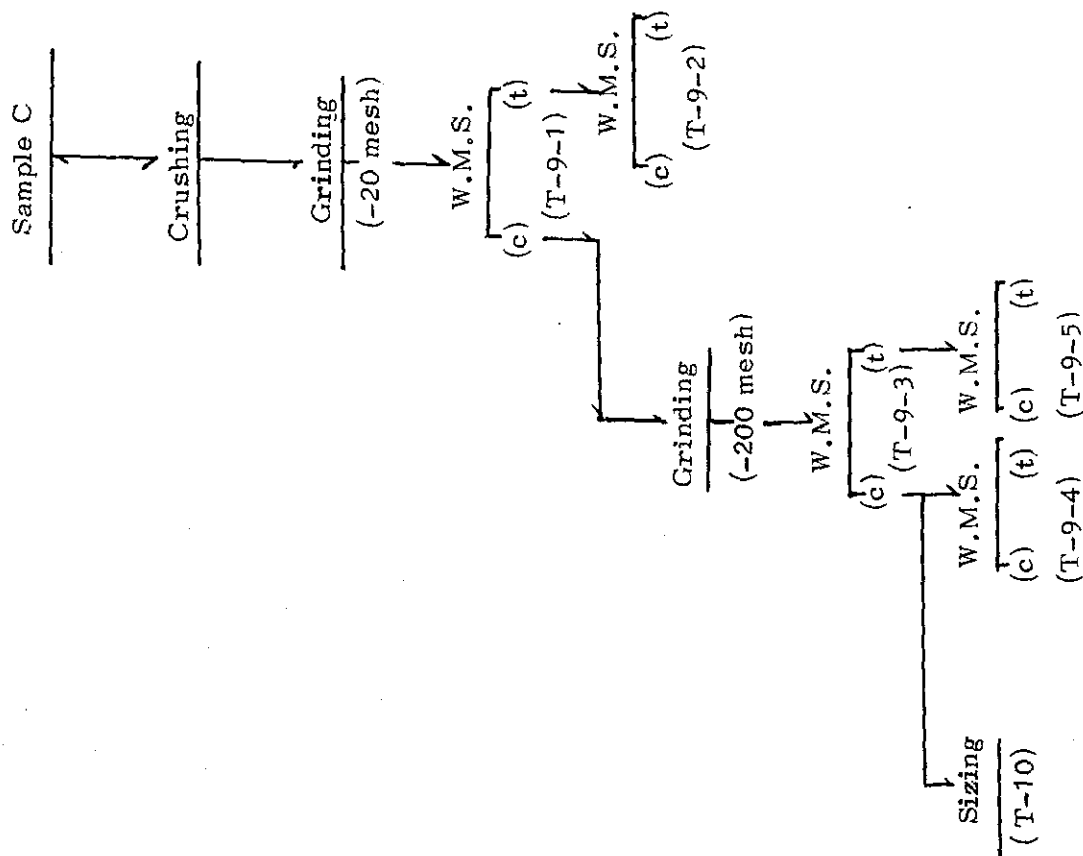
		F5(=T3)	100.00	15.80	20.24	2.332	0.590	38.26	6.25	39.84
-200	500	C5	17.50	2.77	66.66	0.250	0.055	0.72	3.60	0.65
		T5	82.50	13.03	10.40	2.773	0.703	37.54	2.65	39.19

(4) Grade by Grain Size of concentrate

Table No. 10

Ore	Grain size		Weight %		Assay %			Distribution %		
	Mesh	%	Σ%	Fe	S	P	S	Fe	P	
A (Table No. 5-2)	100 - 150	18.29	18.29	60.27	0.882	0.126	34.27	17.11	0.126	25.89
	150 - 200	18.96	37.25	62.10	0.663	0.105	26.70	18.27	0.105	21.93
	200 - 270	12.95	50.20	65.06	0.415	0.077	11.42	13.08	0.077	10.99
	-270	49.80	100.00	66.69	0.261	0.076	27.61	51.54	0.076	41.69
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B (Table No. 8-2)	100 - 150	23.22	23.22	53.17	0.459	0.026	28.09	21.88	0.026	21.42
	150 - 200	23.85	47.07	56.08	0.396	0.033	24.89	23.70	0.033	27.93
	200 - 270	13.62	60.69	59.51	0.297	0.024	10.66	14.36	0.024	11.60
	-270	39.31	100.00	57.52	0.351	0.028	36.36	40.06	0.028	39.05
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C (Table No. 9-4)	200 - 270	20.63	20.63	69.35	0.022	0.024	19.97	20.82	0.024	20.76
	270 - 325	21.36	41.91	68.90	0.020	0.026	18.79	21.41	0.026	23.29
	-325	58.01	100.00	68.45	0.024	0.023	61.24	57.77	0.023	55.95

FLOW SHEET (No. 3)



Drawings for Development Plan
of
Peña Colorada Mine in Mexico

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