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**Implications for Mine-Waste and
Low-Grade-Ore Management**

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SUMMARY OF TECHNICAL TERMS EMPLOYED IN THIS REPORT

ACRONYM	PARAMETER	DEFINITION/DETERMINATION	UNIT
AFP	Acid-Formation Potential		
ARD	Acid-Rock Drainage		
Total-S	Total Sulphur	Analysis Result	% (w/w)
Sulphide-S	Sulphide Sulphur	Testwork Result [i.e. Sulphide-S = Total-S - Sulphate-S]	% (w/w)
ANC	Acid-Neutralisation Capacity	Testwork Result	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /tonne
MPA	Maximum-Potential Acidity	Calculation	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /tonne
NAPP	Net-Acid-Producing Potential	Calculation	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /tonne
NAG	Net-Acid Generation	Testwork Result	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /tonne
NAF	Non-Acid Forming	Calculation:	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /tonne
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sulphide-S < 0.3 % • Sulphide-S ≥ 0.3 %, and negative-NAPP value with ANC/MPA ≥ 2.0 	
PAF	Potentially-Acid Forming	Calculation:	kg H ₂ SO ₄ /tonne
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sulphide-S ≥ 0.3 %, and any positive-NAPP value • Sulphide-S ≥ 0.3 %, and a negative-NAPP value with ANC/MPA < 2.0 	
PAF-[SL]	PAF-[Short-Lag]	Estimation [e.g. inferred from 'kinetic' testing]	
PAF-[LL]	PAF-[Long-Lag]	Estimation [e.g. inferred from 'kinetic' testing]	
SOR	Sulphide-Oxidation Rate	Testwork Result [e.g. obtained from 'kinetic' testing]	mg SO ₄ /kg/week,

Notes:

The **PAF-[SL]** classification applies to (initially circum-neutral) PAF-materials that may acidify (viz. pH less than 5) within a matter of weeks-to-months when subjected to "**aggressive-ambient-weathering**", corresponding to periods of at least a few days during which unsaturated-conditions prevail (via drainage/evaporation processes) between successive inundations that, in turn, occur semi-regularly (e.g. weekly-to-fortnightly "on-average" during most of the annual hydrological-cycle).

The **PAF-[LL]** classification applies to PAF-materials where exposure to the atmosphere for years (even decades, or longer) may be needed before acidification develops. Circum-neutral-pH during the "lag-phase" for such lithotypes is chiefly due to buffering reactions involving carbonate-minerals.

Climate directly influences the duration of the "lag-phase", and a sulphide-gangue assemblage classified as PAF-[SL] in a "humid" environment where the SOR is controlled by **O₂-supply**, may instead be classified as PAF-[LL] in semi-arid/arid environments where the SOR is controlled by **water-supply** (viz. frequency of "flushing-episodes") [Campbell 2004]. The formation of "secondary-oxidation-products" (e.g. Fe-oxyhydroxides) as protective-coatings is generally enhanced during the "lag-phase-stage" of mine-waste weathering in semi-arid/arid environments, and so further curtails sulphide-oxidation rates.

1.0 INTRODUCTION

BHP Billiton Pty Ltd (Nickel West) is developing the Yakabindie Nickel Project located c. 30 kms to the south of Mt Keith, Western Australia.

Ore will be produced via open-pit mining of the Six-Mile Deposit and Goliath Deposit, and the excavated waste-rock materials (viz. regoliths and waste-bedrocks) placed on waste-dumps in the vicinity of the Pits. Low-grade-ores will also be stockpiled for possible subsequent treatment in the mill, subject to metallurgical evaluation, and Project economics.

Graeme Campbell & Associates Pty Ltd (GCA) was commissioned by Sinclair Knight Merz Pty Ltd to review reports by AGC Woodward-Clyde (1991) and ANSTO (1996) on geochemical testwork performed on mine-waste samples derived from the above Deposits.

The testwork results are presented and discussed in this report, and implications for mine-waste management highlighted.

2.0 STUDY APPROACH

2.1 Assumptions Made in Review of Historic Testwork

Since the AGC Woodward-Clyde (1991) and ANSTO (1996) studies, there have been numerous advances and improvements in the testwork procedures employed for the geochemical characterisation of mine-waste materials (e.g. AMIRA 2002). Nonetheless, the testing methods employed in these earlier studies allow valid assessment of the mine-waste materials to be produced during the Yakabindie Nickel Project.

2.1.1 AGC Woodward-Clyde (1991) Study

The samples tested in the AGC Woodward-Clyde (1991) study are derived from the Six-Mile Deposit, and correspond to down-hole intervals of *c.* 1 m.

It is assumed herein that the samples tested are representative of the major lithotypes to be produced during the open-pit mining of the Six-Mile Deposit.

Where Total-S values are listed as "0.0 %" in the AGC Woodward-Clyde (1991) report, they are presented as < 0.01 % herein.

Where appropriate, the parameter values listed in the AGC Woodward-Clyde (1991) report have been rounded to no more than two significant-figures herein.

In the AGC Woodward-Clyde (1991) study, the mine-waste samples were tested for acid-formation potential, and salinity. Selected samples were also assayed for a suite of minor-elements.

2.1.2 ANSTO (1996) Study

The samples tested in the ANSTO (1996) study are mostly derived from the Goliath Deposit with some samples from the Six-Mile Deposit. Drillhole details are not available for all samples, but where these are available, the down-hole intervals were *c.* 1 m.

It is assumed herein that the samples tested are representative of the major lithotypes to be produced during the open-pit mining of the Goliath Deposit.

Where CO₃ values are listed as "0 %" in the ANSTO (1996) report, they are presented as < 0.05 % herein.

Where Net-Acid-Generation (NAG) values are listed as "0 kg H₂SO₄/tonne" in the ANSTO (1996) report, they are presented as < 0.5 kg H₂SO₄/tonne herein.

Where appropriate, the parameter values listed in the ANSTO (1996) report have been rounded to no more than two significant-figures herein.

In the ANSTO (1996) study, the mine-waste samples were tested for acid-formation potential, and salinity.

2.2 Classification Criteria

The Maximum-Potential-Acidity (MPA) values (in kg H₂SO₄/tonne) of the mine-waste samples were calculated by multiplying the Sulphide-S values (in %) by 30.6. The multiplication-factor of 30.6 reflects both the reaction stoichiometry for the complete-oxidation of pyrite/pyrrhotite, by O₂ to "Fe(OH)₃" and H₂SO₄, and the different weight-based units of % and kg H₂SO₄/tonne.

The Net-Acid-Producing-Potential (NAPP) values (in kg H₂SO₄/tonne) were calculated from the corresponding MPA and Acid-Neutralisation-Capacity (ANC) values (i.e. NAPP = MPA - ANC).¹

In terms of AFP, mine-waste materials may be classified into one of the following categories, viz.

- Non-Acid Forming (NAF).
- Potentially-Acid Forming (PAF).

There are **no** unifying, "standard" criteria for classifying the AFP of mine-waste materials (Campbell 2002a,b; Smith 1992), and reflects the diversity of sulphide and gangue-mineral assemblages within (un)mineralised-lithotypes of varying weathering- and alteration-status. Rather, criteria for classifying AFP may need to be tailored to deposit-specific geochemistry, and mineralogy.

The AFP-classification criteria often employed at mining-operations worldwide are:

- **NAF**: Sulphide-S < 0.3 %. For Sulphide-S ≥ 0.3 %, both a negative NAPP value, and an ANC/MPA ratio ≥ 2.0.
- **PAF**: For Sulphide-S ≥ 0.3 %, any positive-NAPP value; negative-NAPP value with an ANC/MPA ratio < 2.0.

In recent years, fundamental-research (especially estimation of reaction-rates for diverse sulphide/gangue-mineral assemblages), and field-experience at mining operations world-wide, have shown that the potential for Acid-Rock Drainage (ARD) production is

¹ NAPP values were not performed for sample with Sulphide-S contents less than 0.1 %.

very low for mine-waste materials with ANC/MPA ratios greater than 2.0 (e.g. AMIRA 2002). This ANC/MPA ratio is employed in the present work.²

² It should be noted that mining-regulators in Nevada (USA) classify a mine-waste sample as NAF, if it is characterised by an ANC/MPA ratio greater than 1.2 (US EPA 1994). This lower ANC/MPA ratio reflects the semi-arid conditions typically encountered at mine-sites in Nevada. Although utilised in the early-1990s, it is understood that an ANC/MPA ratio of 1.2 is still entertained by regulators in Nevada for "screening" PAF and NAF varieties of mine-wastes in semi-arid settings.

3.0 GEOCHEMISTRY OF REGOLITH AND WASTE-BEDROCK SAMPLES FROM SIX-MILE DEPOSIT

3.1 Salinity and Acid-Formation Potential

3.1.1 Regoliths

The fourteen (14) samples of regoliths were characterised by (Table 3.1):

- pH and EC values of 7.2-9.2, and 0.35-7.1 mS/cm, respectively;³ and,
- Total-S values less than 0.1-0.2 %.⁴

The testwork results indicate that the samples are all classified as NAF.

The samples were neutral-to-alkaline with moderate-to-high contents of soluble-salts. Although not tested, the soluble-salts are expected to be dominated by chlorides.

3.1.2 Waste-Bedrocks

The seventy (70) samples of waste-bedrocks were characterised by (Tables 3.2-3.4):

- pH and EC values of 5.9-10.1, and 0.17-2.7 mS/cm, respectively;
- Total-S values that ranged from less than 0.1-0.2 %, to 16.4 %; and,
- ANC values ranging up to 370 kg H₂SO₄/tonne.

³ EC = Electrical-Conductivity. The pH and EC Tests are described in the table footnote.

⁴ One sample had a Total-S value of 3.7 %, but refer table footnote for qualifying remarks for this result.

Fifty-six (56) samples had Total-S values less than 0.5 %, and most of these had Total-S values less than 0.1 %. This distribution of Total-S indicates a paucity, at the "metre-scale", of sulphide-minerals in the majority of lithotypes, and accords with the style of mineralisation within the Six-Mile Deposit. Although ANC testing was not conducted on all samples, a groundmass with a moderate-to-high capacity to consume acid is the norm, and reflects at least "trace-carbonates", and/or ultramafic-silicates (e.g. antigorite and lizardite).⁵

The majority of samples are classified as NAF. Due to the nature of the groundmass, the PAF samples are generally classified as PAF-[Long-Lag]. Furthermore, where PAF-rock occur, the indications are that they would be co-dumped with NAF-rock.

As a group, and as expected, the samples of the *volcanic-sediment-(Footwall-Massive-Sulphides)* stood out with Total-S values of 2.1-16.4 %. Despite containing abundant sulphide-minerals, the high ANC values indicate a groundmass with appreciable pH-buffering capacity, so that this lithotype is classified as PAF-[Long-Lag].⁶

The samples were neutral-to-alkaline with low-to-moderate contents of soluble-salts. Although not tested, the soluble-salts are expected to be dominated by chlorides.

3.2 Minor-Element Content

The assay results for selected minor-elements in thirty-four (34) samples of regoliths and waste-bedrocks are presented in Table 3.5.

⁵ Effervescence (i.e. "fizzing") was often observed when dilute HCl was added ('in-the-cold') to the samples in the ANC testwork (AGC Woodward-Clyde 1991).

⁶ A programme of 'Kinetic-Testwork' (viz. Weathering-Columns) would be needed to fully assess the acid-forming character of this lithotype in terms of sulphide-mineral reactivity, and groundmass-buffering behaviour.

When compared with the respective minor-element contents typically recorded for unmineralised soils, regoliths and bedrocks (Bowen 1979), Ni and Cr stood out in a number of samples in terms of relative enrichments. The Ni and Cr contents ranged up to 0.6-0.7 %, and 0.1-0.2 %, respectively.

It is important to note that ultramafics are typically characterised by Ni and Cr contents of c. 0.20 %, and c. 0.23 %, respectively (Reimann and de Caritat, 1998). The Ni and Cr in these rock types occur as "fixed" forms within crystal-lattices of High-MgO-silicates (e.g. Ni in olivines and serpentines), and resistate-oxides (e.g. Cr in chromite). When this "bio-unavailable-Ni-baseline" is taken into account, the waste-bedrocks should typically contain less than 0.1-0.2 % of Ni forms which may potentially become available for leaching, and/or uptake by biota, through weathering.⁷ Such Ni forms should be mainly associated with sulphide-minerals, and the lithotypes concerned should occur largely proximal to the Ore-Zone(s).

⁷ Nickel is one transition-metal which may be moderately soluble at circum-neutral-pH (Uren 1992).

4.0 GEOCHEMISTRY OF REGOLITH AND WASTE-BEDROCK SAMPLES FROM GOLIATH DEPOSIT

4.1 Salinity and Acid-Formation Potential

4.1.1 Regoliths

The twenty (20) samples of regoliths were characterised by (Table 4.1):

- pH and EC values of 6.7-10.0, and 0.096-6.5 mS/cm, respectively;⁸
- Sulphide-S values that ranges from less than 0.01 %, to 0.48 %; and,
- ANC values of 3.3-490 kg H₂SO₄/tonne.

If the results for the Silica-Carbonate-Oxide-[Mineralised] samples are excluded, then all samples had Sulphide-S values less than 0.1-0.2 %.

The testwork results indicate that the samples are all classified as NAF. The samples were neutral-to-alkaline with moderate-to-high contents of soluble-salts

4.1.2 Waste-Bedrocks

The fifty-eight (58) samples of waste-bedrocks were characterised by (Tables 4.2-4.4):

- pH and EC values of 7.9-10.3, and 0.095-1.9 mS/cm, respectively;
- Sulphide-S values that ranged from less than 0.01 %, to 4.0 %; and,

⁸ The pH and EC Tests are described in the table footnote.

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- ANC values of 7.1-370 kg H₂SO₄/tonne.

Forty-nine (49) samples had Total-S values less than 0.5 %, and most of these had Total-S values less than 0.1 %. As for the Six-Mile Deposit, there is a paucity of sulphide-minerals, and accords with the style of mineralisation within the Goliath Deposit. The ANC-testing shows that the mine-wastes from the latter Deposit have a moderate-to-high capacity to consume acid, and reflects at least "trace-carbonates", and/or ultramafic-silicates.

The majority of samples are classified as NAF. Due to the nature of the groundmass, the PAF samples are generally classified as PAF-[Long-Lag]. Furthermore, where PAF-rock occur, the indications are that they would be co-dumped with NAF-rock.

As a group, the samples of the *volcanic-sediment-(Footwall-Massive-Sulphides)* stood out with Sulphide-S values of 0.71-4.0 %. Due to the high ANC values, this lithotype is classified as PAF-[Long-Lag].

The samples were neutral-to-alkaline with low-to-moderate contents of soluble-salts

4.2 Minor-Element Content

No assays for minor-elements were undertaken in the ANSTO (1996) study. However, given the common style of mineralisation of the Deposits, the pattern and degree of minor-element enrichments (chiefly in Ni and Cr) in mine-wastes derived from the Goliath Deposit should be similar to those for the Six-Mile Deposit (Section 3.2).

5.0 CONCLUSIONS AND MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Based on the review of the AGC Woodward-Clyde (1991) and ANSTO (1996) reports, conclusions and implications for mine-waste management during the Yakabindie Nickel Project are outlined in the following sections. Although generated *c.* 10-15 years ago, the data-base derived from the above reports provides a good picture of mine-waste geochemistry for the Project.

Since the geochemistry of the mine-waste samples tested from both the Six-Mile Deposit and Goliath Deposit is so similar, the key findings of the above studies are discussed as one.

5.1 Regoliths

Geochemically, the regoliths to be produced during open-pit mining should be benign, and hospitable as a rooting-medium for the native-vegetation endemic to the mine-site (e.g. mulgas, chenopods, forbs and arid-grasses/groundcovers). However, revegetation aspects for the final closure of waste-landforms need to be assessed by others.

Physically, it is inevitable that, due to their susceptibility to erosion (especially by episodic, intense storms) certain regoliths will pose constraints on waste-dump design, due to dispersive-clays, and/or enrichment in silts/fine-sands (ACMER 2004). However, the siliceous, duricrust-type stratum beneath the *in-situ* soil (e.g. *red earth*) should be a key resource for waste-dump sheeting to prevent (sub-)surface erosion (e.g. Campbell 2004).

In Section 6.0, it is recommended that the major types of regoliths are physically characterised to assist waste-dump design, especially to identify which regolith type(s) should be (a) segregated for later use in rehabilitation works site-wide, and (b) not placed in the surface-zone of the final waste-landforms.

5.2 Waste-Bedrocks

At the "metre-scale", the lithotypes/waste-bedrocks in the Waste-Zone of the Pits are characterised by meagre abundances of sulphide-minerals dispersed throughout a groundmass with a moderate-to-high capacity to consume acid, due to at least "trace-carbonates", and High-MgO-silicates. Accordingly, the waste-bedrocks are classified as Non-Acid Forming (NAF).

Competent, durable varieties of the NAF-waste-bedrocks should be suitable for site-wide applications where they will be exposed over the longer-term (e.g. safety-bund around Pit-perimeter at site-closure, diversion-bunds for surface-hydrology control, rock-lined structures for drainage control on waste-dumps and tailings-storage facility, etc.). The durability of specific lithotypes would need to be assessed by others. However, geochemically, for applications where exposure will occur over the longer-term, consideration should be given to sourcing waste-bedrocks distal to the ore-zones, so that the release of soluble-metal (e.g. Ni) forms during circum-neutral weathering of "trace-sulphides" is negligible.

Two important exceptions to the above are:

- (a) The *volcanic-sediment-[Footwall-Massive-Sulphide]*. This lithotype occurs in the Wall-Waste-Zone of each Deposit, and is classified as Potentially-Acid Forming (PAF), and due to its groundmass, may be further classified as PAF-[Long-Lag].⁹ The volcanic-sediment-[Footwall-Massive-Sulphide] needs to be deeply buried to isolate sulphide-surfaces from meteoric-waters.¹⁰ This lithotype is expected to

⁹ A programme of 'kinetic' testing (viz. Weathering-Column) would be needed to estimate the duration of the "lag-phase" (i.e. the period during which sulphide-oxidation occurs, but acidification does not develop, due to pH-buffering by groundmass-phases).

¹⁰ Under the semi-arid conditions of the mine-sites, water-supply, and not O₂-supply, will control the rate of sulphide-oxidation (Campbell 2004).

be visually readily identified in the Pit(s) ahead of mining, and volumetrically, it constitutes a very-small proportion of the total-waste volume to be produced (Mr Ian Hart, *pers. commun.*); and,

- (b) The *Internal-Waste-Zone* (i.e. waste-bedrocks within ore-zones which are not segregated for stockpiling as low-grade ores). Although the weathering of such lithotypes should be characterised by circum-neutral (viz. pH 6-8) conditions, and the rates of weathering should be modest, soluble-Ni forms should result.¹¹ Accordingly, waste-bedrocks derived from the Internal-Waste-Zone should be deeply buried in the waste-dumps.

Additional sampling and testing should be undertaken, as appropriate, during the Project to confirm (or refine) the above "geochemical-typing", and ensuing implications for waste-bedrock management.

5.3 Low-Grade-Ores

It is understood that metallurgical evaluation has shown that talcose varieties of the various ores are currently difficult to treat, and that the Talcose-Oxide-Ores and Talcose-Supergene-Ores from both Deposits are to be placed within the waste-dumps (Mr Ian Hart, *pers. commun.*). These talcose-ores should be handled like the waste-bedrocks from Internal-Waste-Zone, as described above.

Talcose-Transition-Ores and Talcose-Primary-Ores are planned to be stockpiled (Mr Ian Hart, *pers. commun.*), and subsequently treated in the mill, subject to metallurgical evaluation, and Project economics. Such talcose-ores should be classified as NAF, so that during weathering on the stockpiles, circum-neutral (viz. pH 6-8) conditions should prevail, and sulphide-oxidation rates should be modest. Faster rates of sulphide-

oxidation may locally occur in the Talcose-Transition-Ores where violarite dominates the sulphide-mineral suite. Soluble-Ni forms should be produced during circum-neutral weathering, although under the semi-arid conditions of the mine-sites, this should be confined largely to the top 2-3 m of the stockpiles, as governed by seasonal moisture dynamics.¹² Further testing, including 'kinetic' testing, is required to better assess the nature of weathering processes on the stockpiles of the Talcose-Transition-Ores and Talcose-Primary-Ores derived from the Six-Mile Deposit and Goliath Deposit (Section 6.0).

Conservatively, provision should be made, at this stage, for the capture and retention of the drainage-waters produced by the stockpiles of the Talcose-Transition-Ores and Talcose-Primary-Ores. Opportunistic monitoring of the collected drainage-water should be carried out to assess water-quality, and other, issues pertinent to stockpile management in the longer-term.

¹¹ Modest rates of sulphide-oxidation are contingent on violarite being absent.

¹² Direct, field-based evidence for this kind of weathering-profiles is clear from historic work undertaken by Dr. Graeme Campbell on low-grade-ore stockpiles at the Leinster Nickel Operations near Leinster, Western Australia.

6.0 RECOMMENDED ADDITIONAL TESTWORK

To assist pre-project planning, additional testwork is recommended, as outlined below.

- Characterisation of Topsoils and Regoliths for Erosion Prevention

To identify the ease/difficulty with which the major topsoil/regolith types may erode on the side-slopes of waste-dumps, testing should be undertaken to determine mineralogy, clay-surface chemistry, soluble-salt composition, and dispersion tendency (e.g. Emerson-Dispersion Test). Testing of this kind may be readily undertaken on RC-cuttings, etc.

- Weathering/Solubility Behaviour of Talcose-Transition-Ore and Talcose-Primary-Ore

A programme of 'kinetic' testing should be undertaken to allow assessment of sulphide-oxidation, pH-buffering properties, and metal-solubility behaviour (especially of Ni) for the above talcose-ores which are destined for stockpiling. Such testing may be readily undertaken on RC-cuttings, and should allow assessment of the "flushing-frequency-dependence" of sulphide-oxidation in semi-arid settings (Campbell 2004), since this dependence reduces both sulphide-oxidation, and metal-release rates.

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TABLES

Table 3.1: Acid-Base-Analysis, Salinity and Net-Acid-Generation Results for Regolith Samples (Six-Mile Deposit)

SITE-SAMPLE NO.	DRILLHOLE & DOWNHOLE-INTERVAL (m)	pH	EC [mS/cm]	TOTAL-S (%)	ANC	NAPP	AFP CATEGORY
					kg H ₂ SO ₄ /tonne		
1: Ferruginous-Oxide-Waste							
623001	SMD64, 10-11	<u>7.2</u>	<u>0.35</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623002	SMD55, 7-8	<u>7.5</u>	<u>2.4</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623003	SMD43, 24-25	<u>8.9</u>	<u>0.72</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
622017	SMD85, 2-4	<u>8.0</u>	<u>7.1</u>	0.12	3.8	-0.1	NAF
1A: Ferruginous-Oxide-Waste-[Mineralised]							
623004	SMD85, 4-5	<u>7.6</u>	<u>7.5</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
622019	SMD73, 2-3	<u>7.4</u>	<u>5.9</u>	3.7	8.0	nc	NAF
2: Silica-Carbonate-Oxide-Waste							
623006	SMD14, 24-25	<u>9.2</u>	<u>0.90</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623007	SMD50, 52-53	<u>9.1</u>	<u>0.60</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
622022	SMD14, 28	<u>8.5</u>	<u>1.1</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623008	SMD27, 70-71	<u>8.9</u>	<u>1.4</u>	<0.01	29	nc	NAF
623009	SMD13, 35-36	<u>8.7</u>	<u>0.64</u>	<0.01	10	nc	NAF
622018	SMD13, 38-39	<u>7.9</u>	<u>1.2</u>	0.01	20	nc	NAF
2A: Silica-Carbonate-Oxide-Waste-[Mineralised]							
623010	SMD71, 50-51	<u>9.2</u>	<u>0.49</u>	<0.01	240	nc	NAF
622020	SMD73, 16-17	<u>7.7</u>	<u>1.3</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF

Notes:

EC = Electrical Conductivity; ANC = Acid-Neutralisation Capacity; NAPP = Net-Acid-Producing Potential; AFP = Acid-Formation Potential; NAF = Non-Acid Forming; PAF = Potentially-Acid Forming; nm = not measured; nc = not calculated.

The pH and EC values that are underscored correspond to measurements on sample-pastes, as employed in the AGC Woodward-Clyde (1991) study.

N.B. The Total-S value of 3.7 % reported for sample 622019 (from a down-hole depth of 2-3 m) is considered either an outlier, or that it corresponds to a SO₄-S value also of 3.7 %.

Table 3.2: Acid-Base-Analysis, Salinity and Net-Acid-Generation Results for Waste-Bedrock Samples (Hangingwall: Six-Mile Deposit)

SITE-SAMPLE NO.	LITHOTYPE	DRILLHOLE & DOWNHOLE-INTERVAL (m)	pH	EC [mS/cm]	TOTAL-S (%)	ANC	NAPP	AFP
						kg H ₂ SO ₄ /tonne		CATEGORY
5A: Primary-Zone-Hangingwall-Sulphidic-Waste								
623031	Talc-Carbonate	SMD36, 210-211	<u>9.8</u>	<u>0.22</u>	0.3	nm	nc	NAF
623032	Antigorite	SMD82, 218-219	<u>9.6</u>	<u>0.32</u>	0.9	48	-20	PAF
623033	Antigorite-Liz.	SMD41, 158-159	<u>9.5</u>	<u>1.1</u>	0.4	nm	nc	NAF
623034	Antigorite-Liz.	SMD78, 398-399	<u>9.6</u>	<u>1.6</u>	1.2	110	-73	NAF
5B: Primary-Zone-Non-Sulphidic-Waste								
589179	Ultramafic-Adc.	SMD100, 542-543	9.8	0.87	1.5	370	-320	NAF
623035	Antigorite	SMD63, 242-243	<u>9.3</u>	<u>1.5</u>	0.1	42	-38	NAF
623036	Antigorite	SMD53, 187-188	<u>9.3</u>	<u>0.79</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623037	Antigorite	SMD83, 230-231	<u>9.6</u>	<u>0.85</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623038	Talc-Carbonate	SMD78, 271-272	<u>9.5</u>	<u>0.25</u>	0.3	23	-13	NAF
623039	Antigorite	SMG03, 207-208	<u>9.6</u>	<u>0.28</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623040	Antigorite-Liz.	SMD45, 201-202	<u>9.4</u>	<u>0.68</u>	0.1	60	-56	NAF
622025	Antigorite	SMD57, 182	<u>9.2</u>	<u>0.34</u>	0.02	nm	nc	NAF
622026	Talc-Carbonate	SMD54, 162	<u>8.3</u>	<u>0.43</u>	0.01	21	nc	NAF
Other-Waste								
623054	Talc-Carbonate	SMG03, 94-95	<u>9.7</u>	<u>0.29</u>	0.2	52	-45	NAF
623055	Talc-Carbonate	SMD83, 298-299	<u>10.0</u>	<u>0.41</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
622023	Talc-Carbonate	SMD37, 70	<u>9.1</u>	<u>0.69</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
589185	Ultramafic-Carb.	SMG10, 230-231	9.8	0.22	0.05	nm	nc	NAF

Notes:

EC = Electrical Conductivity; ANC = Acid-Neutralisation Capacity; NAPP = Net-Acid-Producing Potential; AFP = Acid-Formation Potential; NAF = Non-Acid Forming; PAF = Potentially-Acid Forming; nm = not measured; nc = not calculated.

The pH and EC values that are underscored correspond to measurements on sample-pastes, as employed in the AGC Woodward-Clyde (1991) study.

The pH and EC values that are not underscored correspond to measurements on sample-slurries with a solid:solution ratio of c. 1:2.5 (w/w), as employed in the ANSTO (1996) study.

Table 3.3: Acid-Base-Analysis, Salinity and Net-Acid-Generation Results for Waste-Bedrock Samples (Footwall: Six-Mile Deposit)

SITE-SAMPLE NO.	LITHOTYPE	DRILLHOLE & DOWNHOLE-INTERVAL (m)	pH	EC [mS/cm]	TOTAL-S (%)	ANC	NAPP	AFP CATEGORY
						kg H ₂ SO ₄ /tonne		
6: Footwall-Massive-Sulphides								
623041	Volc.-Sediments	SMG01, 98-99	<u>8.6</u>	<u>1.0</u>	16.4	34	470	PAF
623042	Volc.-Sediments	SMG04, 82.5-83.5	<u>8.0</u>	<u>0.92</u>	2.1	110	-45	PAF
622032		SMG01, 139	<u>8.3</u>	<u>0.52</u>	10.6	200	130	PAF
7: Footwall-Sediment-Oxide-Waste								
623043	Volc.-Sediments	SMG01, 35-36	<u>7.4</u>	<u>0.63</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623044	Volc.-Sediments	SMG02, 34-35	<u>7.8</u>	<u>0.39</u>	<0.01	5.3	nc	NAF
623045	Volc.-Sediments	SMG02, 64-65	<u>9.2</u>	<u>0.20</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623046	Volc.-Sediments	SMG04, 48-49	<u>7.7</u>	<u>0.58</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623047	Volc.-Sediments	SMG05, 50-51	<u>8.4</u>	<u>0.30</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
622028		SMG03, 29	<u>8.6</u>	<u>2.0</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
622030		SMG01, 17	<u>7.3</u>	<u>2.0</u>	<0.01	2.2	nc	NAF
622031		SMG01, 31.5	<u>7.0</u>	<u>0.83</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
589103	Volc.-Sediments	SMD101, 80-81	8.8	0.40	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
7A: Footwall-Sediment-Fresh-Waste								
623048	Volc.-Sediments	SMG01, 150-151	<u>8.3</u>	<u>0.32</u>	5.0	21	140	PAF
623049	Volc.-Sediments	SMG01, 210-211	<u>9.5</u>	<u>0.20</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623050	Volc.-Sediments	SMG02, 190-191	<u>9.5</u>	<u>0.19</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623051	Volc.-Sediments	SMG04, 106-107	<u>9.4</u>	<u>0.23</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623052	Volc.-Sediments	SMG05, 155-156	<u>9.8</u>	<u>0.23</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623053	Volc.-Sediments	SMG05, 229-230	<u>9.7</u>	<u>0.24</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
622029		SMG04, 180	<u>9.7</u>	<u>0.17</u>	<0.01	100	nc	NAF
589186	Volc.-Sediments	SMG13, 239-240	10.1	0.17	0.01	nm	nc	NAF
589184	Volc.-Sediments	SMG09, 120-121	9.5	0.31	0.02	76	nc	NAF
589180	Volc.-Sediments	SMD101, 350-351	10.1	0.23	0.01	66	nc	NAF

Notes:

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The pH and EC values that are underscored correspond to measurements on sample-pastes, as employed in the AGC Woodward-Clyde (1991) study.

The pH and EC values that are not underscored correspond to measurements on sample-slurries with a solid:solution ratio of c. 1:2.5 (w/w), as employed in the ANSTO (1996) study.

Table 3.4: Acid-Base-Analysis, Salinity and Net-Acid-Generation Results for Waste-Bedrock Samples (Internal: Six-Mile Deposit)

SITE-SAMPLE NO.	LITHOTYPE	DRILLHOLE & DOWNHOLE-INTERVAL (m)	pH	EC [mS/cm]	TOTAL-S (%)	ANC	NAPP	AFP
						kg H ₂ SO ₄ /tonne		CATEGORY
3: Supergene-Zone-Ore-Associated-Sulphidic-Waste								
623011		SMD17, 84-85	<u>8.8</u>	<u>2.1</u>	0.1	24	-20	NAF
632012		SMD27, 98.5-99.5	<u>8.8</u>	<u>2.7</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
622238		GPD11, 69	<u>7.1</u>	<u>1.8</u>	0.34	nm	nc	NAF
622239		GPD04, 104.8	<u>5.9</u>	<u>2.5</u>	1.5	15	31	NAF
589187	Ultramafic	SMG12, 99-100	9.8	0.86	1.0	380	-340	NAF
3A: Supergene-Zone-Hangingwall-Sulphidic-Waste								
623013		SMD46, 75-76	<u>9.4</u>	<u>0.90</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623014	Talc-Carbonate	SMG03, 71-72	<u>8.5</u>	<u>1.2</u>	1.8	150	-94	NAF
623015	Antigorite	SMD42, 75-76	<u>9.6</u>	<u>0.43</u>	<0.01	58	nc	NAF
589101	Ultramafic	SMD100, 82-83	9.2	0.43	0.02	55	nc	NAF
3B: Supergene-Zone-Non-Sulphidic-Waste								
623016	Antigorite	SMD25, 80-81	<u>9.6</u>	<u>0.29</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623017	Antigorite	SMD61, 62-63	<u>9.6</u>	<u>0.25</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623018	Antigorite	SMD49, 61-62	<u>9.5</u>	<u>0.41</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
622021	Liz.-Oxide	SMD11, 80	<u>8.7</u>	<u>1.7</u>	0.18	22	-16	NAF
623019	Liz.-Antigorite	SMD58, 82-89	<u>9.8</u>	<u>1.9</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623020	Talc-Carbonate	SMG03, 74-75	<u>8.7</u>	<u>0.88</u>	0.6	23	-4.6	NAF
4: Violarite-Transition-Zone-Ore-Associated-Sulphidic-Waste								
623021	Antigorite	SMD66, 133-134	<u>9.5</u>	<u>0.24</u>	0.2	nm	nc	NAF
623022	Lizardite	SMD61, 140-141	<u>9.2</u>	<u>1.2</u>	0.5	56	-40	NAF
589188	Ultramafic	SMG12, 110-111	9.6	0.71	1.1	nm	nc	PAF (?)
4A: Violarite-Transition-Zone-Hangingwall-Sulphidic-Waste								
623023	Antigorite	SMD21, 110-111	<u>9.3</u>	<u>0.51</u>	0.2	nm	nc	NAF
623024	Antigorite-Liz.	SMD49, 101-102	<u>9.6</u>	<u>1.5</u>	0.4	140	-120	NAF
589105	Ultramafic	SMD97, 120-121	9.9	0.27	0.05	nm	nc	NAF
4B: Violarite-Transition-Zone-Non-Sulphidic-Waste								
623025	Antigorite	SMD68, 104-105	<u>9.4</u>	<u>0.72</u>	0.1	60	56	NAF
623026	Antigorite	SMG06, 98-99	<u>9.7</u>	<u>0.23</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623027	Antigorite-Liz.	SMD13, 135-136	<u>9.6</u>	<u>2.0</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
623028	Lizardite	SMD42, 124-125	<u>9.6</u>	<u>1.2</u>	<0.01	nm	nc	NAF
622024	Lizardite	SMD26, 130	<u>9.8</u>	<u>0.74</u>	0.03	84	nc	NAF
622027		SMG03, 143	<u>9.6</u>	<u>0.17</u>	<0.01	14	nc	NAF
5: Primary-Zone-Ore-Associated-Sulphidic-Waste								
623029	Antigorite	SMD81, 286-287	<u>9.6</u>	<u>0.49</u>	1.1	52	-18	PAF
623030	Antigorite-Liz.	SMD49, 340-341	<u>9.4</u>	<u>1.2</u>	0.8	24	0.5	PAF
589183	Ultramafic-Ortho.	SMD98, 400-401	10.1	0.30	0.04	nm	nc	NAF
5A: Primary-Zone-Ore-Hangingwall-Sulphidic-Waste								
589182	Ultramafic-Ortho.	SMD97, 245-246	10.1	0.30	0.08	nm	nc	NAF

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The pH and EC values that are underscored correspond to measurements on sample-pastes, as employed in the AGC Woodward-Clyde (1991) study.

The pH and EC values that are not underscored correspond to measurements on sample-slurries with a solid:solution ratio of c. 1:2.5 (w/w), as employed in the ANSTO (1996) study.

Table 3.5: Assay Results for Regolith and Waste-Bedrock Samples (Six-Mile Deposit)

SITE-SAMPLE NO.	LITHOTYPE	DRILLHOLE & DOWNHOLE-INTERVAL (m)	TOTAL-S (%)	Ni (mg/kg)	Cr (mg/kg)	Co (mg/kg)	Cu (mg/kg)	Pb (mg/kg)	Zn (mg/kg)	As (mg/kg)	Mn (mg/kg)	Fe (%)
1: Ferruginous-Oxide-Waste												
622017		SMD85, 2-4	0.12	3,700	1,300	120	40	130	110	50	180	15.1
1A: Ferruginous-Oxide-Waste-[Mineralised]												
622019		SMD73, 2-3	3.7	1,200	3,900	45	160	5	90	80	100	5.8
2: Silica-Carbonate-Oxide-Waste												
623008		SMD27, 70-71	<0.01	260	280	80	10	10	30	20	230	2.1
623009		SMD13, 35-36	<0.01	2,100	820	120	10	15	35	22	830	4.6
2A: Silica-Carbonate-Oxide-Waste-[Mineralised]												
623010		SMD71, 50-51	<0.01	6,600	790	140	450	10	55	34	690	3.6
3: Supergene-Zone-Ore-Associated-Sulphidic-Waste												
623011		SMD17, 84-85	0.1	1,500	470	80	60	<5	30	12	290	3.0
622239		GPD04, 104.8	1.5	6,100	260	28	140	5	45	28	460	3.6
3A: Supergene-Zone-Hangingwall-Sulphidic-Waste												
623014	Talc-Carbonate	SMG03, 71-72	1.8	2,600	640	110	220	10	45	190	930	5.3
623015	Antigorite	SMD42, 75-76	<0.01	1,700	740	80	10	<5	30	17	400	3.6
3B: Supergene-Zone-Non-Sulphidic-Waste												
623018	Antigorite	SMD49, 61-62	<0.01	2,100	1,100	110	<5	<5	40	42	760	4.2
622021	Liz.-Oxide	SMD11, 80	0.18	2,800	430	100	160	10	60	7	290	3.1
623020	Talc-Carbonate	SMG03, 74-75	0.6	2,600	960	110	110	10	60	630	870	4.6
4: Violarite-Transition-Zone-Ore-Associated-Sulphidic-Waste												
623022	Lizardite	SMD61, 140-141	0.5	1,800	330	70	45	<5	25	20	250	1.9
4A: Violarite-Transition-Zone-Hangingwall-Sulphidic-Waste												
623024	Antigorite-Liz.	SMD49, 101-102	0.4	3,800	530	130	320	5	35	19	350	4.0
4B: Violarite-Transition-Zone-Non-Sulphidic-Waste												
623025	Antigorite	SMD68, 104-105	0.1	2,700	340	95	<5	<5	35	75	510	2.6
622024	Lizardite	SMD26, 130	0.03	2,200	420	55	20	10	35	11	250	2.7
622027		SMG03, 143	<0.01	480	1,800	65	35	10	50	6	850	4.2
5: Primary-Zone-Ore-Associated-Sulphidic-Waste												
623029	Antigorite	SMD81, 286-287	1.1	3,000	510	110	150	<5	<5	15	350	2.8
623030	Antigorite-Liz.	SMD49, 340-341	0.8	3,000	450	100	180	5	30	9	400	3.2
5A: Primary-Zone-Ore-Hangingwall-Sulphidic-Waste												
623032	Antigorite	SMD82, 218-219	0.9	2,000	400	85	120	10	35	13	390	3.2
623034	Antigorite-Liz.	SMD78, 398-399	1.2	1,400	350	60	85	10	70	11	580	3.9
5B: Primary-Zone-Non-Sulphidic-Waste												
623035	Antigorite	SMD63, 242-243	0.1	2,800	580	40	5	<5	40	5	440	3.8
623038	Talc-Carbonate	SMD78, 271-272	0.3	3,400	470	95	25	<5	35	26	310	2.2
623040	Antigorite-Liz.	SMD45, 201-202	0.1	2,700	380	95	<5	<5	35	14	530	2.8
622026	Talc-Carbonate	SMD54, 162	0.01	1,500	460	70	35	10	55	4	390	2.9
6: Footwall-Massive-Sulphides												
623041	Volc.-Sediments	SMG01, 98-99	16.4	1,400	890	120	310	20	250	3	7,400	42.9
623042	Volc.-Sediments	SMG04, 82.5-83.5	2.1	75	95	15	120	15	65	4	17,000	21.4
622032		SMG01, 139	10.6	80	310	30	40	5	130	15	13,000	22.4
7: Footwall-Sediment-Oxide-Waste												
622030		SMG01, 17	<0.01	190	85	20	25	15	80	6	1,700	13.0
7A: Footwall-Sediment-Fresh-Waste												
623048	Volc.-Sediments	SMG01, 150-151	5.0	40	260	10	25	15	25	10	2,800	7.1
623049	Volc.-Sediments	SMG01, 210-211	<0.01	50	200	10	40	25	50	50	880	15.1
623050	Volc.-Sediments	SMG02, 190-191	<0.01	35	120	15	35	30	55	11	710	2.9
622029		SMG04, 180	<0.01	55	140	15	20	<5	30	40	890	2.9
Other-Waste												
623054	Talc-Carbonate	SMG03, 94-95	0.2	1,700	790	85	75	<5	65	310	1,100	5.2

Table 4.1: Acid-Base-Analysis, Salinity and Net-Acid-Generation Results for Regolith Samples (Goliath Deposit)

SITE-SAMPLE NO.	LITHOTYPE	DRILLHOLE & DOWNHOLE-INTERVAL (m)	pH	EC [mS/cm]	TOTAL-S (%)	SO ₄ -S (%)	Sulphide-S (%)	CO ₃ (%)	ANC	NAPP	NAG	NAG-pH	AFP
									kg H ₂ SO ₄ /tonne				CATEGORY
1: Ferruginous-Oxide-Waste													
589189		GPG18, 2-3	7.6	0.24	0.03	0.03	<0.01	nm	13	nc	<0.5	6.9	NAF
589121		GPD76, 1-2	7.3	0.28	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.05	10	nc	<0.5	6.5	NAF
589134		GPG04, 2-3	10.0	0.29	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	490	nc	<0.5	9.2	NAF
589126		GPD77, 2-3	8.2	6.5	0.64	0.58	0.06	nm	160	nc	<0.5	7.9	NAF
589138		GPG05, 3-4	6.7	4.3	0.06	0.07	<0.01	nm	3.3	nc	<0.5	4.9	NAF
589143	Ultramafic	GPG06, 3-4	8.3	4.6	0.76	0.63	0.13	nm	61	-57	<0.5	8.7	NAF
589152	Ultramafic	GPG11, 5-6	9.1	0.78	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	0.15	30	nc	<0.5	7.4	NAF
1A: Ferruginous-Oxide-Waste-[Mineralised]													
589131	Ultramafic-Carb.	GPG03, 5-6	9.2	0.33	0.03	<0.01	0.03	0.18	44	nc	<0.5	8.6	NAF
589135	Ultramafic	GPG04, 5-6	7.9	0.39	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	21	nc	<0.5	7.7	NAF
589111	Ultramafic	GNM04, 65-66	9.4	0.41	0.10	0.02	0.08	11	200	nc	<0.5	10.8	NAF
2: Silica-Carbonate-Oxide-Waste													
589114	Ultramafic-Carb.	GPD73, 39-40	8.9	0.18	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	110	nc	<0.5	8.4	NAF
589116	Ultramafic-Carb.	GPD74, 25-26	9.7	0.096	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	190	nc	<0.5	8.7	NAF
589119	Ultramafic-Carb.	GPD75, 50-51	9.8	0.22	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	1.1	36	nc	<0.5	9.2	NAF
589133	Ultramafic-Carb.	GPG03, 80-81	9.1	0.84	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	130	nc	<0.5	9.1	NAF
589124	Ultramafic	GPD76, 89-90	8.9	0.18	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	47	nc	<0.5	6.2	NAF
589130	Ultramafic	GPD78, 78-79	9.0	0.97	0.05	0.06	<0.01	<0.05	51	nc	<0.5	8.3	NAF
589132	Ultramafic	GPG03, 27-28	8.1	1.4	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	94	nc	<0.5	9.2	NAF
2A: Silica-Carbonate-Oxide-Waste-[Mineralised]													
589147	Ultramafic	GPG07, 19-20	9.2	0.97	0.03	0.02	0.01	nm	160	nc	<0.5	8.4	NAF
589153	Ultramafic	GPG11, 20-21	9.2	0.89	0.53	0.05	0.48	13	240	-220	<0.5	9.6	NAF
589154	Ultramafic	GPG11, 50-51	9.3	1.1	0.44	0.09	0.35	12	230	-210	<0.5	9.8	NAF

Notes:

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The pH and EC values correspond to measurements on sample-slurries with a solid:solution ratio of c. 1:2.5 (w/w), as employed in the ANSTO (1996) study.

Table 4.2: Acid-Base-Analysis, Salinity and Net-Acid-Generation Results for Waste-Bedrock Samples (Hangingwall: Goliath Deposit)

SITE-SAMPLE NO.	pH	EC [mS/cm]	TOTAL-S (%)	SO ₄ -S (%)	Sulphide-S (%)	CO ₃ (%)	ANC	NAPP	NAG	NAG-pH	AFP
							kg H ₂ SO ₄ /tonne				CATEGORY
7B: Hangingwall-Sediment-Oxide-Waste											
589120	8.9	0.25	0.07	0.01	0.06	nm	54	nc	<0.5	7.1	NAF
589122	7.9	0.13	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	7.1	nc	<0.5	4.8	NAF
589127	8.3	0.24	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	0.05	24	nc	<0.5	6.4	NAF
589129	8.6	0.40	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	180	nc	<0.5	9.8	NAF
589178	9.5	0.20	0.25	0.06	0.19	nm	110	-100	<0.5	11.8	NAF
589145	9.6	0.26	0.03	0.01	0.02	nm	110	nc	<0.5	8.8	NAF
589156	9.3	0.095	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	58	nc	<0.5	7.1	NAF
589157	9.3	0.24	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	51	nc	<0.5	6.8	NAF
589158	9.9	0.27	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	61	nc	<0.5	7.1	NAF
7C: Hangingwall-Sediment-Fresh-Waste											
589168	9.7	0.16	0.02	<0.01	0.02	nm	44	nc	<0.5	8.2	NAF
589169	10.1	0.28	0.03	0.01	0.02	nm	78	nc	<0.5	7.7	NAF
589177	8.8	0.82	1.1	0.05	1.1	1.7	67	-33	11	2.9	PAF
589196	9.8	0.24	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	1.4	76	nc	<0.5	10.4	NAF
589173	9.9	0.17	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	68	nc	<0.5	9.6	NAF
589197	9.7	0.16	0.01	0.01	<0.01	nm	38	nc	<0.5	7.6	NAF
589198	10.3	0.33	0.04	0.02	0.02	nm	14	nc	<0.5	7.8	NAF
589146	9.5	0.21	0.07	0.02	0.05	nm	63	nc	<0.5	7.9	NAF
7D: Hangingwall-Mafic-Oxide-Waste											
589123	9.7	0.28	0.01	<0.01	0.01	nm	79	nc	nm	nm	NAF
589136	8.4	0.19	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	65	nc	<0.5	6.9	NAF
589139	7.9	0.67	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	24	nc	nm	nm	NAF
589161	9.3	0.18	0.07	0.01	0.06	1.2	42	nc	<0.5	8.4	NAF
589159	8.0	0.14	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	44	nc	nm	nm	NAF
589110	9.7	0.34	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	53	nc	nm	nm	NAF
589118	8.1	0.11	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	22	nc	nm	nm	NAF
7E: Hangingwall-Mafic-Fresh-Waste											
589125	9.8	0.21	0.08	<0.01	0.08	0.09	68	nc	<0.5	6.8	NAF
589128	10.2	0.26	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	92	nc	<0.5	7.5	NAF
589174	9.9	0.15	0.10	0.03	0.07	0.81	67	nc	<0.5	11.3	NAF

Notes: EC = Electrical Conductivity; ANC = Acid-Neutralisation Capacity; NAPP = Net-Acid-Producing Potential; NAG = Net-Acid Generation; AFP = Acid-Formation Potential;

NAF = Non-Acid Forming; PAF = Potentially-Acid Forming; nm = not measured; nc = not calculated.

The pH and EC values correspond to measurements on sample-slurries with a solid:solution ratio of c. 1:2.5 (w/w), as employed in the ANSTO (1996) study.

Table 4.3: Acid-Base-Analysis, Salinity and Net-Acid-Generation Results for Waste-Bedrock Samples (Footwall: Goliath Deposit)

SITE-SAMPLE NO.	pH	EC [mS/cm]	TOTAL-S (%)	SO ₄ -S (%)	Sulphide-S (%)	CO ₃ (%)	ANC	NAPP	NAG	NAG-pH	AFP
							kg H ₂ SO ₄ /tonne				CATEGORY
6: Footwall-Massive-Sulphides											
589190	9.6	0.31	0.73	<0.01	0.72	1.4	100	-77	<0.5	10.4	NAF
589191	8.0	0.72	4.0	0.05	4.0	0.63	38	85	70	2.3	PAF
589164	8.6	0.75	3.5	0.09	3.5	0.48	55	52	51	2.6	PAF
7: Footwall-Sediment-Oxide-Waste											
589140	9.3	0.39	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	65	nc	<0.5	10.0	NAF
589141	9.7	0.25	0.02	<0.01	0.01	nm	33	nc	<0.5	7.4	NAF
589142	9.2	0.57	0.35	0.06	0.29	nm	70	-61	<0.5	10.9	NAF
589163	10.2	0.34	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	32	nc	<0.5	7.3	NAF
589149	9.0	0.36	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	1.5	48	nc	<0.5	8.7	NAF
589150	8.8	0.38	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	110	nc	<0.5	8.7	NAF
589151	8.8	0.31	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	43	nc	<0.5	8.3	NAF
589162	8.0	0.88	0.01	0.02	<0.01	nm	32	nc	<0.5	8.9	NAF
589160	9.6	0.14	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	nm	52	nc	<0.5	7.5	NAF
7A: Footwall-Sediment-Fresh-Waste											
589165	9.7	0.28	0.02	0.01	0.01	nm	72	nc	<0.5	11.3	NAF
589166	9.6	0.19	0.17	0.04	0.13	2.4	90	-86	<0.5	11.4	NAF
589167	9.8	0.19	0.07	0.01	0.06	nm	38	nc	<0.5	8.3	NAF
589192	9.6	0.24	0.06	<0.01	0.06	0.86	77	nc	<0.5	10.5	NAF
589193	9.5	0.19	0.02	0.01	0.01	nm	96	nc	<0.5	11.3	NAF
589194	9.7	0.18	0.04	0.01	0.03	nm	140	nc	<0.5	11.8	NAF
589195	10.2	0.27	0.05	<0.01	0.05	nm	27	nc	<0.5	9.2	NAF

Notes:

EC = Electrical Conductivity; ANC = Acid-Neutralisation Capacity; NAPP = Net-Acid-Producing Potential; NAG = Net-Acid Generation; AFP = Acid-Formation Potential; NAF = Non-Acid Forming; PAF = Potentially-Acid Forming; nm = not measured; nc = not calculated.

The pH and EC values correspond to measurements on sample-slurries with a solid:solution ratio of c. 1:2.5 (w/w), as employed in the ANSTO (1996) study.

Table 4.4: Acid-Base-Analysis, Salinity and Net-Acid-Generation Results for Waste-Bedrock Samples (Internal: Goliath Deposit)

SITE-SAMPLE NO.	LITHOTYPE	DRILLHOLE & DOWNHOLE-INTERVAL (m)	pH	EC [mS/cm]	TOTAL-S (%)	SO ₄ -S (%)	Sulphide-S (%)	CO ₃ (%)	ANC	NAPP	NAG	NAG-pH	AFP
									kg H ₂ SO ₄ /tonne				CATEGORY
3: Supergene-Zone-Ore-Associated-Sulphidic-Waste													
589148	Ultramafic	GPG07, 39-40	9.6	0.22	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	16	430	nc	<0.5	10.6	NAF
589144	Ultramafic	GPG06, 70-71	8.7	1.9	0.94	0.16	0.78	15	380	-350	<0.5	8.7	NAF
3A: Supergene-Zone-Hangingwall-Sulphidic-Waste													
589115	Ultramafic	GPD73, 58-59	9.5	0.25	0.26	0.01	0.25	0.98	39	-31	<0.5	7.6	NAF
589117	Ultramafic-Carb.	GPD74, 99-100	10.2	0.24	0.12	0.04	0.08	13	310	nc	<0.5	10.2	NAF
4: Transition-Zone-Ore-Associated-Sulphidic-Waste													
589113	Ultramafic	GNM04, 83-84	9.9	0.18	0.05	<0.01	0.05	8.0	180	nc	<0.5	10.7	NAF
4A: Transition-Zone-Ore-Hangingwall-Sulphidic-Waste													
589155	Ultramafic	GPG11, 60-61	9.2	0.39	0.59	0.03	0.56	1.3	100	-82	<0.5	7.8	NAF
4B: Transition-Zone-Non-Sulphidic-Waste													
589112	Ultramafic	GNM04, 83-84	10.0	0.20	0.07	0.02	0.05	nm	300	nc	<0.5	11.6	NAF
589137	Ultramafic	GPG04, 100-101	8.4	1.5	0.68	0.15	0.53	nm	95	-78	<0.5	7.0	NAF
5: Primary-Zone-Ore-Associated-Sulphidic-Waste													
589175	Ultramafic	GPD78, 290-291	9.7	0.21	0.61	0.07	0.54	13	250	-230	<0.5	9.9	NAF
5A: Primary-Zone-Ore-Hangingwall-Sulphidic-Waste													
589171	Ultramafic-Meso.	GPD77, 273-274	9.6	0.37	1.2	0.03	1.2	5.5	180	-140	<0.5	10.3	NAF
5B: Primary-Zone-Non-Sulphidic-Waste													
589172	Ultramafic-Adcum.	GPD77, 290-291	9.5	0.37	0.14	0.03	0.11	nm	280	-270	<0.5	10.6	NAF
589170	Ultramafic-Adcum.	GPD76, 292-293	9.8	0.92	0.27	0.03	0.24	8.7	290	-280	<0.5	11.2	NAF

Notes:

EC = Electrical Conductivity; ANC = Acid-Neutralisation Capacity; NAPP = Net-Acid-Producing Potential; Net-Acid Generation; AFP = Acid-Formation Potential; NAF = Non-Acid Forming; nm = not measured; nc = not calculated.

The pH and EC values correspond to measurements on sample-slurries with a solid:solution ratio of c. 1:2.5 (w/w), as employed in the ANSTO (1996) study.