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WELL COMPLETION REPORT

RESOLUTION-1

Offshore Canterbury,  
South Island, New Zealand  
by

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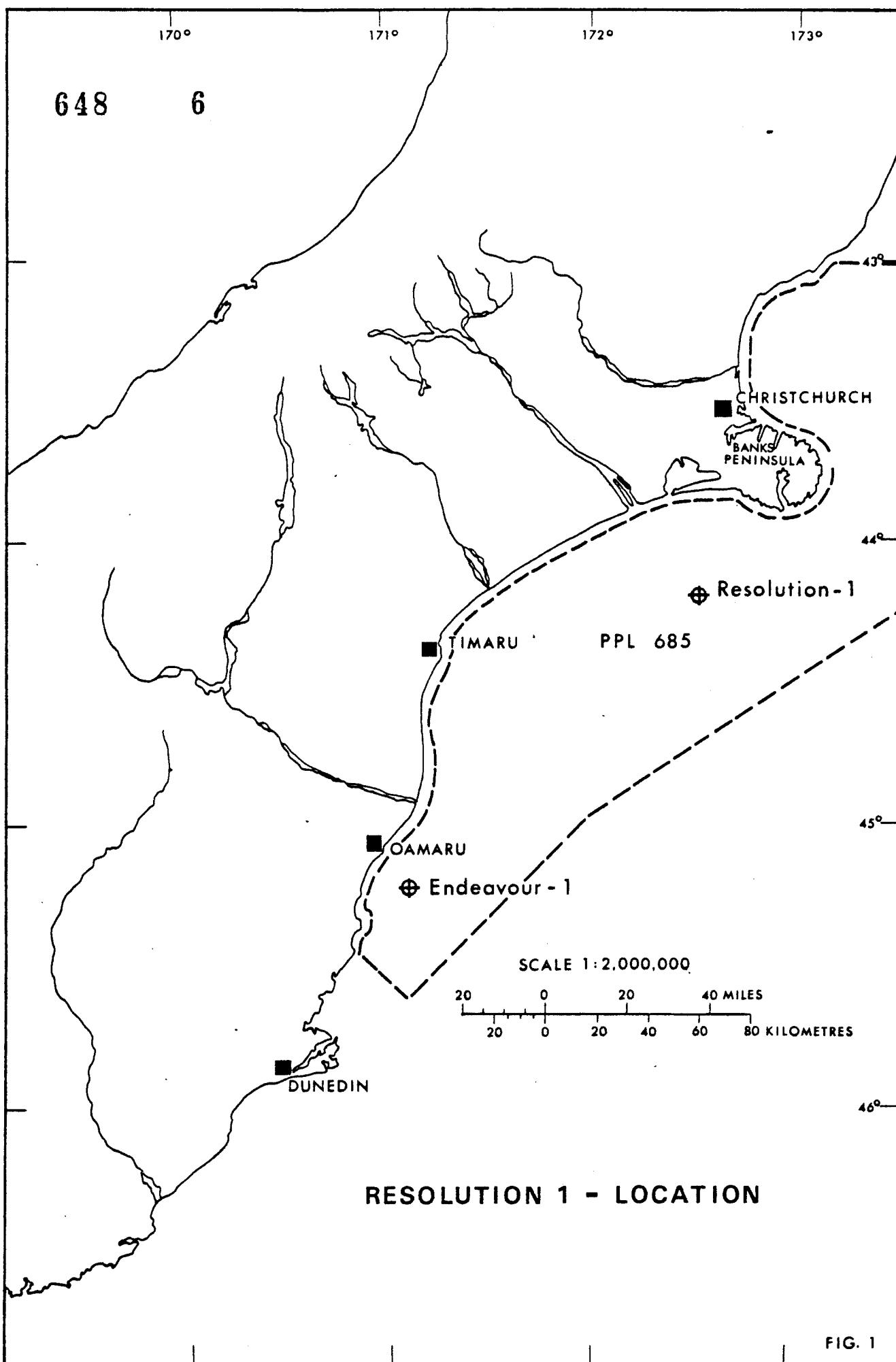


FIG. 1

S U M M A R Y

Resolution No. 1 exploration well was drilled offshore in the Canterbury Basin, in Petroleum Prospecting Licence No. 685. It was located at shotpoint 640 on Seismic Line 74-04 to test Structure A, an anticlinal feature lying 40 km south of Banks Peninsula (Fig.1). The well was drilled for BP Shell Todd (Canterbury) Services Limited by BOCAL Pty. Limited using the drillship 'Glomar Tasman'.

The well was drilled in 64 m of water, using a sea floor BOP system and marine riser. Total depth of the well was 1963 m BRT, and was attained in 19 days. There were no serious drilling difficulties and hole conditions were good. 30", 20" and 13-3/8" casing strings were run; the 9-5/8" testing string was not required. One 5 m terminal core was cut. Schlumberger logs were run in the 17½" and 12½" holes. Sidewall cores were taken and a velocity survey was conducted during the final logging, prior to abandonment.

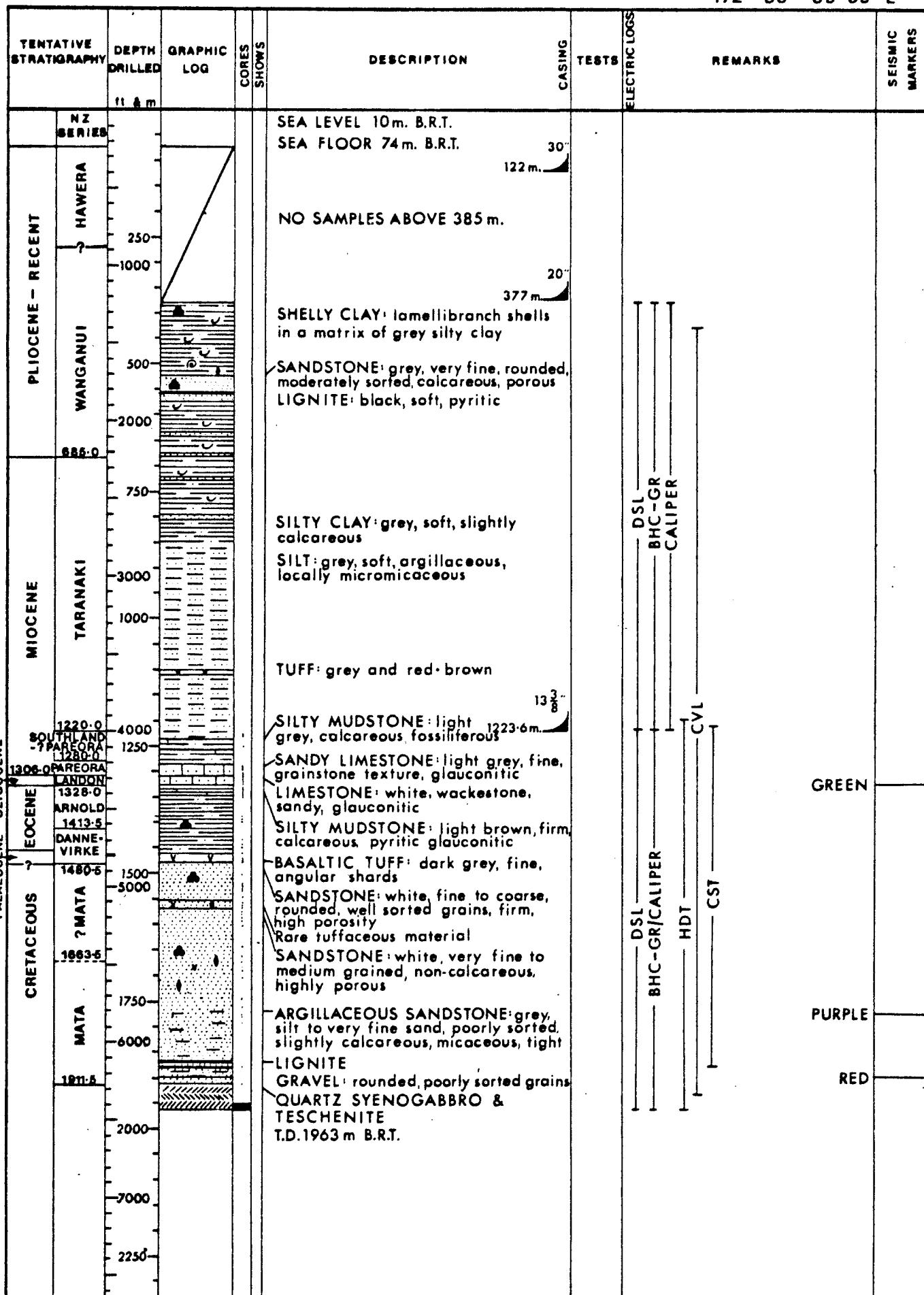
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## SUMMARISED WELL LOG

## RESOLUTION-1

SCALE 1:10,000

LOCATION: 44° 11' 16·20"S  
172° 38' 09·69"E

DATA SHEET

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WELL: Resolution No. 1  
Offshore Canterbury

OPERATOR: BP Shell Todd (Canterbury)  
Services Limited

LATITUDE: 44° 11' 16.20" S

LONGITUDE: 172° 38' 09.69" E

N.Z.S.I. GRID: 476,488 yards N  
559,336 yards E

PETROLEUM  
PROSPECTING

LICENCE: 685

TYPE OF RIG: Drillship

RTE: 10.0 m.a.m.s.l.  
74.0 m.a.s.b.

WATER DEPTH: 64.0 m

NAME: Glomar Tasman

OBJECTIVE: To test the hydrocarbon potential of basal Tertiary/Upper Cretaceous sandstones in a closed anticlinal high.

DATE SPUNDED: 9th July, 1975 DATE ABANDONED: 31st July, 1975

DEPTH: 1963.0 m BRT 1953.0 m SS

WELL STATUS: Dry and abandoned

GEOLOGICAL DATA

<u>Stratigraphy</u>	<u>Tops</u>		<u>Thickness</u>
	DD	SS	
Hawera - Wanganui Series (part)	74.0 m	64.0 m	311.0 m +
Wanganui Series	385.0 m	375.0 m	300.0 m
Nukumaruian	385.0 m	375.0 m	40.0 m
Waipipian-Opoitian	425.0 m	415.0 m	200.0 m
? Opoitian	625.0 m	615.0 m	60.0 m
Taranaki Series	685.0 m	675.0 m	535.0 m
Tongaporutuan	685.0 m	675.0 m	535.0 m
Southland Series	1220.0 m	1210.0 m	28.0 m
Waiauan-Lillburnian	1220.0 m	1210.0 m	28.0 m
Southland -?Pareora Series	1248.0 m	1238.0 m	32.0 m
Clifdenian-?Altonian	1248.0 m	1238.0 m	32.0 m
Pareora Series	1280.0 m	1270.0 m	26.0 m
Altonian	1280.0 m	1270.0 m	26.0 m
Landon Series	1306.0 m	1296.0 m	22.0 m
Whaingaroan	1306.0 m	1296.0 m	22.0 m
Arnold Series	1328.0 m	1318.0 m	85.5 m
Runangan	1328.0 m	1318.0 m	7.0 m
Kaiatan	1335.0 m	1325.0 m	36.0 m
U. Bortonian	1371.0 m	1361.0 m	22.5 m
L. Bortonian	1393.5 m	1383.5 m	20.0 m
Dannevirke Series	1413.5 m	1403.5 m	67.0 m
Heretaungan-Teurian	1413.5 m	1403.5 m	67.0 m
? Mata Series	1480.5 m	1470.5 m	183.0 m
Mata Series	1663.5 m	1653.5 m	248.0 m
Haumurian	1663.5 m	1653.5 m	248.0 m
Igneous Intrusive	1911.5 m	1901.5 m	51.5 m +
TD	1963.0 m	1953.0 m	

CORES

- (a) Conventional Cores  
Core No. 1 Depth 1958.0-1963.0 m, Recovery 100%.
- (b) Sidewall Cores  
Interval 1221.5 m - 1908.5 m, 60 cores attempted, 56 recovered.

SHOWS Shale gas only; no hydrocarbon fluorescence or cut.

TESTS None

COMMENTS All potential reservoirs were fresh water bearing, probably due to flushing.

REPORT

REFERENCE Completion Report Resolution-1.

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PART 1.

DRILLING

by

C. Simpson

1.1 INTRODUCTION

The 'Glomar Tasman' is a ten year old converted drillship which has worked for a number of years under contract to BOCAL off the North West Shelf of Australia. It had been brought to New Zealand, still under contract to BOCAL, for a drilling programme for several operators as a package deal. This included supply of consumable materials (optional), all major support services and supervisory personnel.

Resolution-1 was the first well following an extensive refit in Singapore during which a diesel electric SCR package and motion compensator were installed. The SCR package was not completely checked out in Singapore and 14 days were spent in Nelson for repairs en route to Resolution-1. The diesel-electric package and the motion compensator required minor repairs during the well, but were both of great benefit in achieving a creditable time (18 days spud to T.D.) for the well which was drilled to 1,963 m.

1.2 GENERAL DATA

Well: Resolution-1.

Rig: 'Glomar Tasman'.

Drilling Contractor: Global Marine Drilling Co.,  
P.O. Box 743,  
Nelson.

Elevation: RTE 10 m above sea level  
Water depth 64 m.

Equipment: National 162S DE draw works with 2 x GE 752  
motors.  
  
National C375 rotary table, independent drive.  
  
Pumps 2 x National 12P160 triplex slush pumps with  
7" liners rated at 3,450 psi. Stroke 12".  
  
20-3/4" 2000 psi BOP stack with 2 rams (CIW type U),  
and 1 bag preventer.  
  
13-3/8" 5000 psi BOP stack with three rams (CIW  
type U), and 1 bag preventer.  
  
Both BOP stacks have kill and choke valves on  
the sidearms.

Timing: Arrived on location: 5 July 1975  
Spudded: 9 July 1975  
Abandoned: 31 July 1975  
Left location: 3 August 1975

Total Depth: Below Rotary Table: 1,963 m.  
Below Seabed: 1,899 m.

Present Well Status: Permanently Abandoned.  
Wellhead recovered - Seabed clear.

List of Contractors to BOCAL Pty Ltd.: Drilling Vessel 'Glomar Tasman' Global Marine Inc.  
Supply Vessel 'Lady Vilma' Australian Off-shore Services.  
  
Supply Vessel 'Sydney Tide' Tidewater Port Jackson Marine Pty. Ltd.  
  
Standby Vessel 'M.F.V. Brothers' Life Rafts Limited.

Heliicopters Two Alouette Helicopters (New Zealand) Limited.  
SA319B

Fixed Wing Aircraft Cesna 402 Capital Air Services Limited.

Diving Service

Ocean Systems  
Australasia Pty.  
Limited.

Wireline Logging

Schlumberger  
Seaco Inc.

Cementing

Halliburton Manu-  
facturing and  
Services Limited.Mud Chemicals  
and Engineer-  
ing ServiceDresser Products  
Australia Pty.  
Limited.

Testing Service

Flopetro S.A.

Mud Logging  
ServiceCore Laboratories  
Australia (Qld)  
Limited.

Automatic Choke

Cameron Iron Works  
Pty. Limited.

Velocity Survey

Seismograph  
Services LimitedRig Position-  
ingBuxton, Tudor  
and WaughSubsea Test  
TreeOtis Engineering  
CorporationCasing Cutting  
ToolsA-1 Bit & Tool  
CompanyLocal Agency,  
NelsonTransport (Nelson)  
Ltd.

**NOTES**

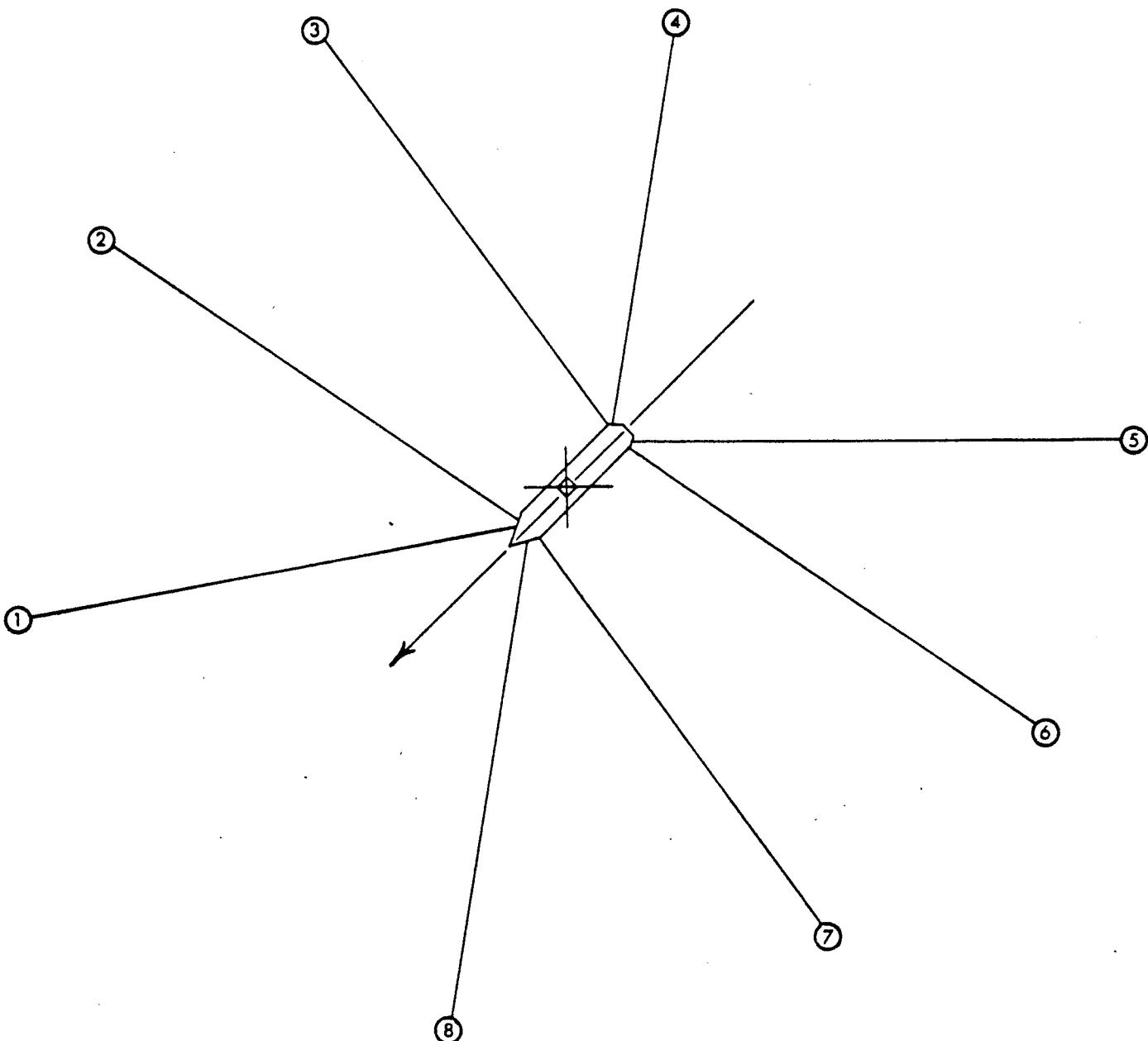
1. Actual location:

Lat: 44° 11' 16.20" S

Long: 172° 38' 09.69" E

This is 11yds west and 25yds. north of  
intended location.**648      15****CHAIN OUT  
(ft)****HEADING  
PLANNED    ACTUAL**2. No. 5 Anchor was 20,000lb. All  
others were 30,000lb.3. All anchors tensioned to 150,000lb.  
before spud.

TASMAN	225°	215°
ANCHOR No.1	1850	260°
" No.2	1600	305°
" No.3	1600	325°
" No.4	2000	010°
" No.6	2000	090°
" No.8	1900	125°
" No.7	2000	145°
" No.8	1900	190°

**RESOLUTION No. 1****GLOMAR TASMAN HEADING & ANCHOR PATTERN**

1.3 POSITIONING

The equipment used for the positioning of the 'Glomar Tasman' was the Decca Trisponder 202. This is a Range Range or line of sight electronic positioning system which relies on the nearly constant velocity of the X band radio waves through the atmosphere. The time lapse between the emission of a coded pulsed transmission from the mobile station on the survey vessel and its reception from the transponder concerned on shore is measured to give a distance.

The system comprises on the survey vessel or mobile station a base unit with omni directional aerial and a distance measuring unit. The remote stations comprise a transponder with directional aerial.

The survey vessel used to position the rig was the 'M.F.V. Brothers', a single screw fishing boat 18.2 metres in length. This vessel also acted as standby vessel throughout the well. The location was marked with plastic buoys moored with 3 or 5 100 lb concrete blocks. One buoy was set at each anchor position and three buoys 50 ft apart and in line to mark the moonpool location (Fig. 3). The first buoys were set on 10/11 June and the balance on 24 June. Because of repairs carried out in Nelson, the 'Glomar Tasman' did not arrive on location until 5 July. Bad weather delayed setting anchors and the final fix was taken on 8 July (Enclosure 1). A confirmation fix by triangulation was taken on 9 July.

The final position of the rig was fixed as being 25 yds north and 11 yds west of the required location. The final position was New Zealand South Island Grid:

North        476,488 yards

East        599,336 yards

Geographical:

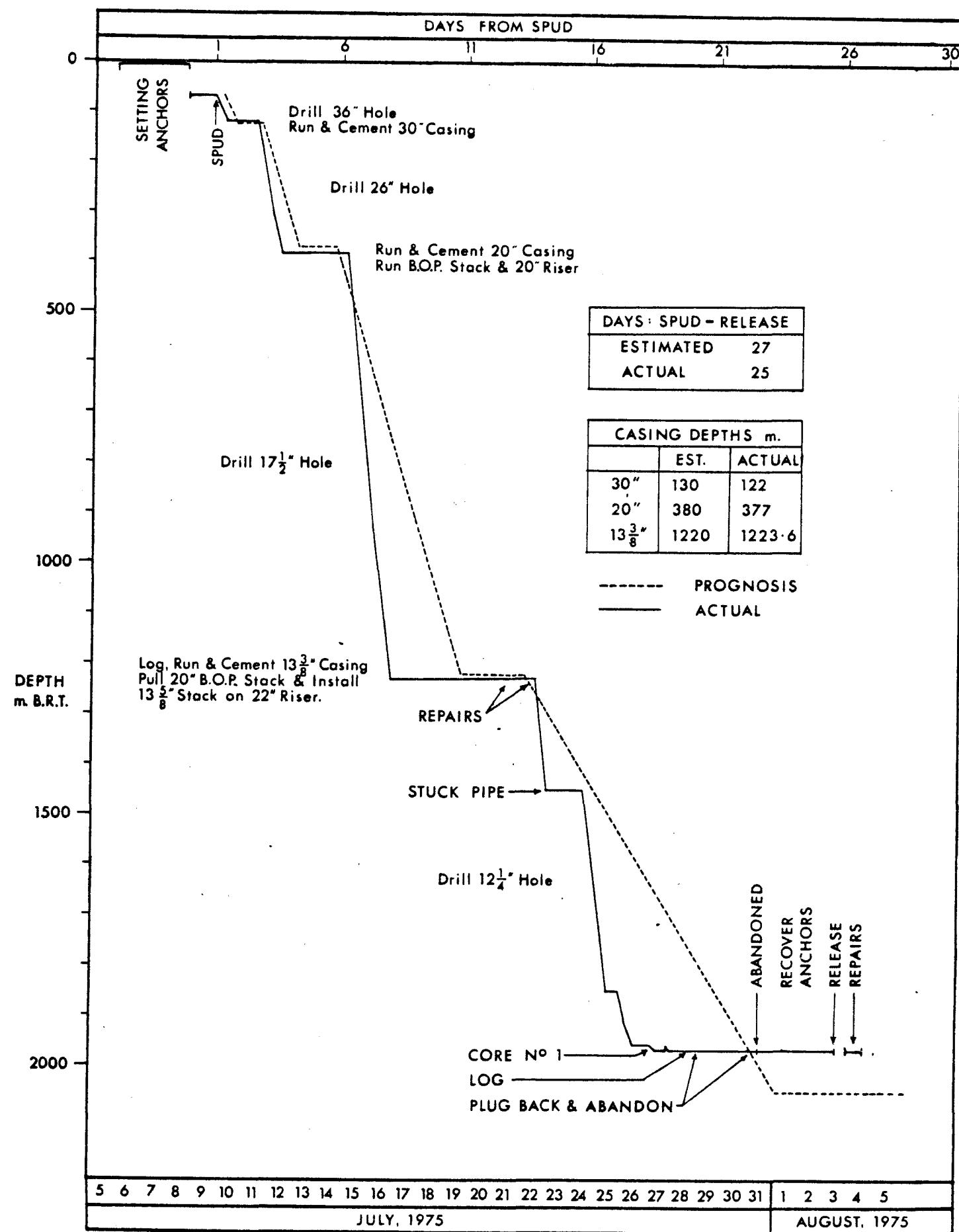
Latitude    44° 11' 16.20" South

Longitude   172° 38' 09.69" East

TIME-DEPTH CURVE  
RESOLUTION - 1

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<u>RIG:</u> GLOMAR TASMAN	<u>CO-ORDINATES:</u> LAT: $44^{\circ} 11' 16.20''S$
<u>WATER DEPTH:</u> 64 m.	LONG: $172^{\circ} 38' 09.69''E$
<u>R.T.E.:</u> 74 m. A.S.B.	<u>N.Z. S.I. GRID:</u> 476, 488 YARDS NORTH
<u>T.D.:</u> 1963 m. B.R.T.	599, 336 YARDS EAST



1.4 DRILLING OPERATIONS

A summary of drilling operations is given below. For the daily diary refer to Appendix 1 and for the corresponding Time-Depth Curve to Fig. 4.

The 'Glomar Tasman' arrived on location 5 July 1975 and dropped the first anchor at 2100 hr. Setting of the moorings was delayed due to inclement weather (Appendix 2). Mooring operations were completed on 8 July and a confirmation fix of the rig position taken.

The well was spudded at 1700 hr on 9 July and 36" hole drilled to 127 m BRT. Conductor pipe, 30" OD x 1" wall, was set and cemented at 122 m. The shoe was drilled out with a 26" bit (TOC at 111 m) and 26" hole continued to 390 m. After spotting viscous mud and making a wiper trip, the 20" casing was run and cemented at 377 m.

The 20" 2000 psi BOP stack was run on a 22" riser and latched to the 20" housing. After drilling out the shoe and pilotting to 397 m, a formation leak-off test equivalent to 11.3 lb/gal was carried out (Section 1.10.1). The 17½" hole was continued to 1,235 m with wiper trips. After logging and a wiper trip, 13-3/8" casing was run cleanly and cemented at 1,223.6 m.

The 20" BOP stack was recovered and the 13-5/8" 5000 psi stack run and tested. Some delays were experienced in testing the surface lines. The casing was drilled out with a 12½" bit and a leak-off test carried out equivalent to 14.7 lb/gal.

Whilst carrying out a short trip from 1,451 m, the pipe stuck with the bit at 1,322 m. Pipe Lax and an overpull of 100,000 lb failed to free the string. The string came free after resuming circulation and increasing the overpull to 125,000 lb. It was noted that moderate deposits of gumbo had accumulated on the stabilisers and drill collars. The major factor in the pipe having stuck was probably excessive fluid loss resulting from sea water getting into the mud system at the time of drilling out the cement plugs. The fluid loss was subsequently reduced to below 5 cc and no further hole problems were experienced.

The 12 $\frac{1}{4}$ " hole was continued to 1,958 m, at which point an 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " core, with 100% recovery, was cut to 1,963 m, which was T.D. for the well. The rat hole was drilled out to 12 $\frac{1}{4}$ " on a wiper trip prior to logging.

A cement plug was set across the 13-3/8" shoe, from 1,325 m to 1,200 m and a bridge plug set at 1,150 m with cement on top back to 1,121 m. After recovering the BOP stack and riser, the 13-3/8", 20" and 30" casing strings were cut at 80 m BRT. Following unsuccessful attempts to recover the wellhead housings, an explosive charge was set off in the wellhead with the rig 100 m off location. The wellheads and TGB were then recovered and a final cement plug set from 84 m to seabed before recovering the TGB. The well was abandoned and anchor handling commenced at 0800 hr on 31 July.

Delays occurred in recovering the anchors due to seas of up to 18 ft. and winds of 60 knots. The rig was released at 0945 hr on 3 August after the last anchor had been raised. It then steamed to sheltered waters off Godley Head to effect repairs to the hull which was damaged when housing No. 5 anchor. The 'Glomar Tasman' departed from Godley Head 1445 hr on 4 August 1975 for SBPT location 'D' in the South Taranaki Bight. A release time adjusted to allow for the repairs was 0330 hr on 4 August.

1.5 CASING AND CEMENTATION30" Conductor

36" Hole: 127 m  
 30" Casing: 122 m  
 Casing Details: 1" wall 308 lb/ft Grade B Range 3  
                   4 Joints with 'ATD' Squinch Connectors.  
                   Housing 2.30 m above seabed (71.70 m BRT)  
 Shoe: Halliburton Self-fill

Circulated with 19 bbl seawater pre-flush prior to cementation.  
 Cemented with 800 sax Class 'G' cement + 2%  $\text{CaCl}_2$  at 1.88 S.G.,  
 mixed with drill water, displaced with 101 bbl seawater to leave  
 9 m cement inside shoe. Float held. Cement excess 133%.

20" Surface String

26" Hole: 390 m  
 20" Casing: 377 m  
 Casing Details: 94 lb/ft Grade X-52 Range 3  
                   25 Joints with 'ST' Squinch Connectors.  
                   Housing 3.70 m above seabed (70.30 m BRT)  
 Shoe: Halliburton Self-fill

Self-fill shoe did not function properly, filled casing from surface. Circulated casing capacity of seawater. Cemented with 1,200 sax Class 'G' cement + 8% gel in drill water at 1.57 S.G. followed by 300 sax neat Class 'G' mixed with seawater at 1.90 S.G. Displaced with 343 bbl seawater to leave 15 m cement inside casing. Shoe did not hold backflow. Shut in for 2 hours and released, no backflow.

Landing string - drillpipe with 4 m stinger. No centralisers used.

13-3/8" Intermediate String

17½" Hole: 1,235 m  
 13-3/8" Casing: 1,223.57 m  
 Casing Details: 68 lb/ft Grade J-55 Range 3  
                   97 Joints with Buttress Threads  
 Shoe: Halliburton Differential fill  
 Float: Ran Baffle collar 1 joint up.

Circulated casing volume and pumped 20 bbl mud flush. Cemented with 1,700 sax Class 'G' cement + 8% gel + 0.25% HR-7 in drill water at 1.58 S.G. followed by 400 sax neat Class 'G' + 0.3% HR-L in sea water at 1.85 S.G. Displaced with 561 bbl mud and bumped plug with 1,800 psi. Bled off pressure, float held. Full circulation throughout. Used drill pipe landing string.

One centraliser on shoe joint and one on each of first two joints inside 20" shoe.

Abandonment

Plug No. 1; 1,325-1,200 m (open hole)

Cemented with 300 sax neat 'G' cement in sea water at 1.90 S.G. and displaced with 70 bbl mud.

Plug No. 2; 1,150-1,121 m (inside 13-3/8" casing)

Cemented with 70 sax neat 'G' cement in sea water at 1.90 S.G. and displaced with 65.3 bbl mud.

Plug No. 3; 84-74 m (at seabed)

Cemented with 100 sax neat 'G' cement in seawater at 1.90 S.G. and displaced with 4.3 bbl seawater.

The three abandonment plugs were set through open-ended drill pipe.

1.6      MUD

The Mud Engineering service for this well was supplied by Dresser Magcoabar, who also drew up the basic programme. Their statement of the daily properties and consumption is given in Enclosure 2.

The 36" and 26" hole intervals were drilled with sea water with slugs of gel used for hole cleaning. The hole was also filled with gel prior to running casing. This proved effective in keeping the hole clean, though in fact the gel consumption could probably have been reduced without any adverse effects.

The 17½" hole was drilled with a lightly treated XP-20/Spersene system. There were no hole problems during drilling, tripping or logging.

The 12½" hole was drilled with a dispersed XP-20/Spersene system built up by treating mud from the 17½" hole. Unfortunately, sea water was inadvertently mixed in the system when drilling out the shoe resulting in a higher than programmed fluid loss. This was probably instrumental in the pipe sticking when carrying out a short trip from 1,451 m. The pipe was eventually freed with an overpull of 125,000 lb after having spotted diesel and Pipe Lax. The stabilisers and drill collars had accumulated gumbo. The water loss was subsequently reduced to below 5 cc and no further hole problems were experienced.

1.7 BIT RECORD

A total of five rock bits, one hole-opener and one diamond core head were used on the well (Enclosure 3). The formations encountered were generally soft drilling and satisfactory penetration rates were achieved with less than optimum bit weights and rotary speeds. Total rotating hours were 112  $\frac{3}{4}$  (including coring but excluding reaming out the cored rat hole), which gave an average penetration rate for the well of 16.84 m/hr.

The 8-7/16" diamond core head was severely worn by 5 m of hard fresh igneous core and would give very little recovery, most of the diamonds having been smoothed off.

1.8 TIME ANALYSIS

The daily time analysis is given in Enclosure 4 and summarised below.

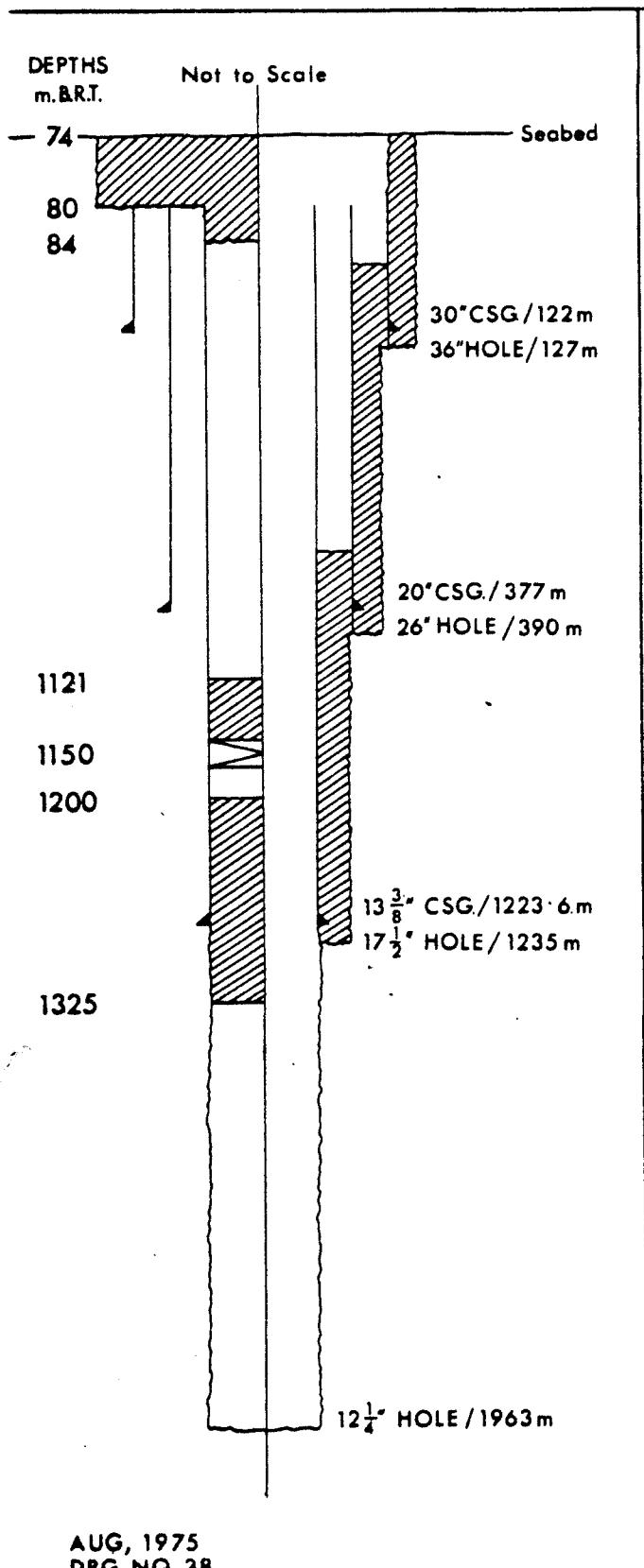
		<u>Hours</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>%</u>
Anchor Handling:	Actual Waiting on Weather	54.00 <u>85.25</u>	7.70 12.15	139.25	19.85
Drill-ing:	On Bottom Round Trips Deviation Surveys Reaming, Conditioning Hole & Cond. Trips Running & Cementing Casing Running & Pulling Subsea Equipment Testing Wellhead & BOP's Plugging Back and Abandonment Well Control, Blowout Kicks, incl. Drills Formation Leak-off Test	106.25 29.50 12.75 37.50 87.00 77.50 2.75 49.50 1.00 2.25	15.13 4.21 1.82 5.35 12.39 11.03 .39 7.05 .14 .32	406.00	57.83
Down-time:	Weather Mechanical Surface Mechanical Subsea Other (Recovery of BOP Skate) (Reposition Vessel)	- 42.75 27.75 4.75 1.75	- 6.09 3.88 .68 .25	77.00	10.90
Evaluat-ion:	Circulating Samples Coring Electric Logging	2.25 25.50 52.50	.32 3.63 7.47	80.25	11.42
<u>TOTAL:</u>				702.50	100.00
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## RESOLUTION - 1

STATUS: Plugged & Abandoned 31st July, 1975. Seabed clear at mudline

WATER DEPTH: 64 m.

SEABED DEPTH: 74 m. B.R.T.

DETAILS

10. Temporary Guide Base recovered
9. 100 sax neat 'G' cement set from 84m to seabed (74 m)
8. Wellhead & Permanent Guide Base recovered
- 7 13  $\frac{3}{8}$ , 20" & 30" Casings cut at 80m
6. Recovered B.O.P. stack
5. 70 sax neat 'G' cement set from 1150m to 1121 m
4. Displaced mud to water above bridge-plug
3. Pressure tested bridge-plug to 1000 psi
2. Set bridge-plug on wireline at 1150m
1. 300 sax neat 'G' cement set from 1325m to 1200 m

NOTE: After cutting the casing strings maximum allowable pulls failed to free the wellhead. A 50lb. charge was set off 11m below the top of the wellhead after winching the rig over 300ft. The wellhead could then be pulled freely with the permanent guide base.

1.9 ABANDONMENT

The well was permanently abandoned as a dry hole. A schematic of the abandoned well is given in Fig. 5.

One cement plug was set across the 13-3/8" casing shoe and a second one above a bridge plug at 1,150 m. The casing strings (13-3/8", 20" and 30") were cut at 10 m below seabed and the wellhead and guide bases recovered leaving the seabed clear. The 30" conductor stub proved to be firmly cemented in the seabed and an explosive charge was used to break the bond and permit recovery.

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**RESOLUTION - 1**  
**FORMATION LEAK-OFF TESTS**

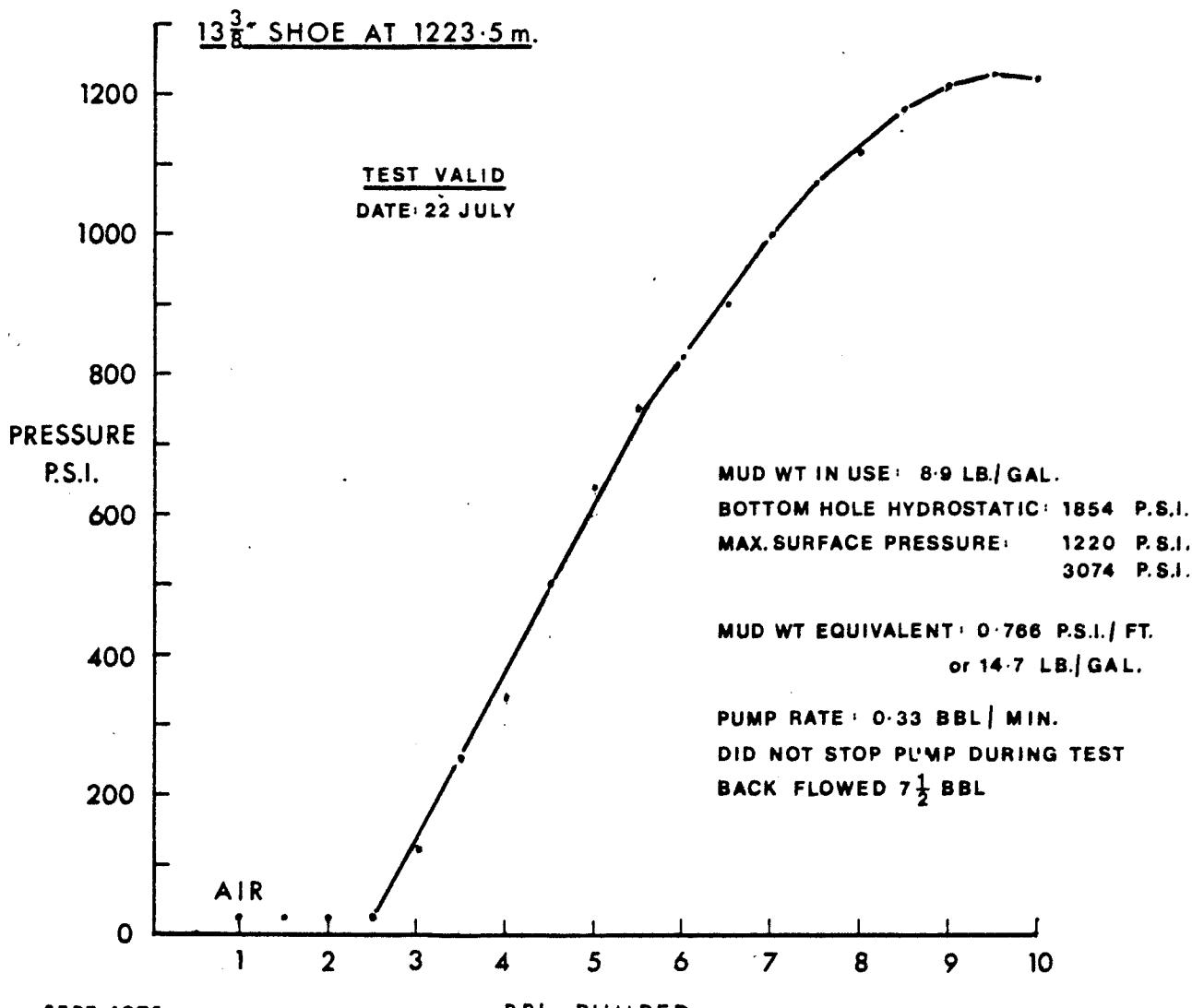
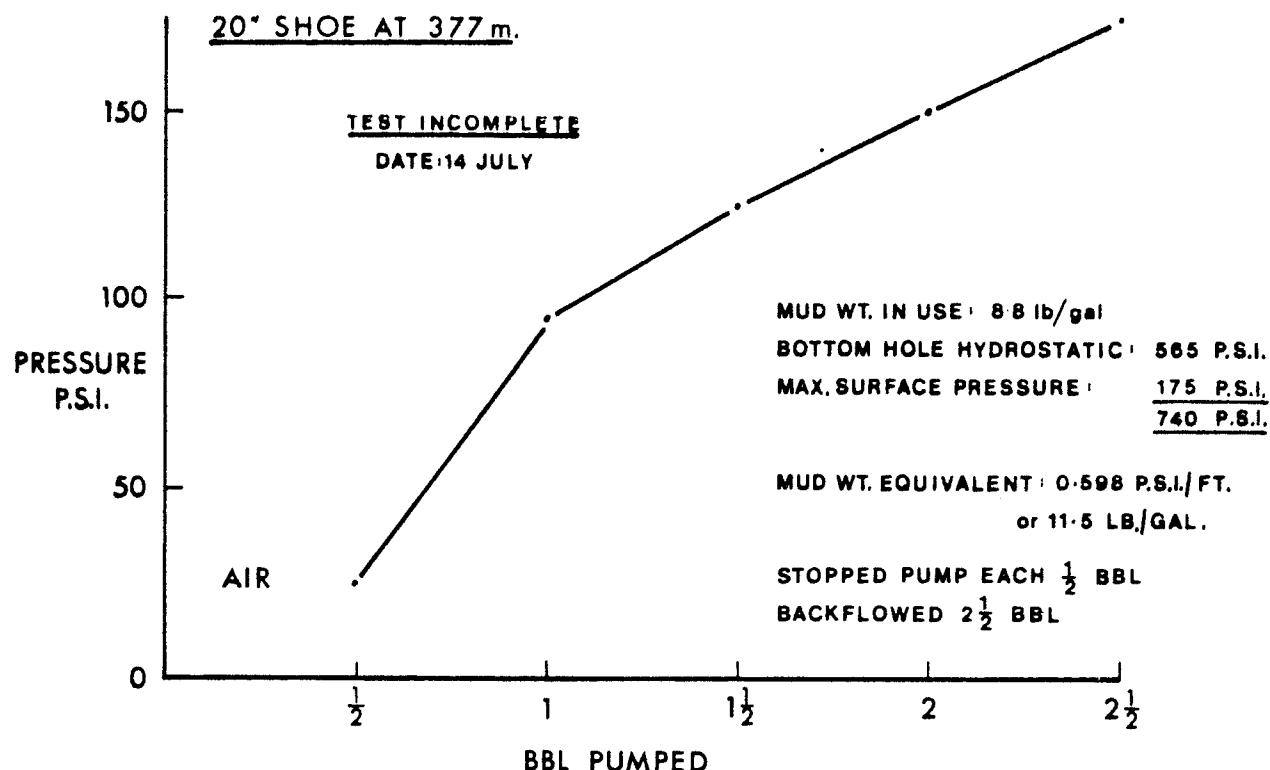


FIG. 6

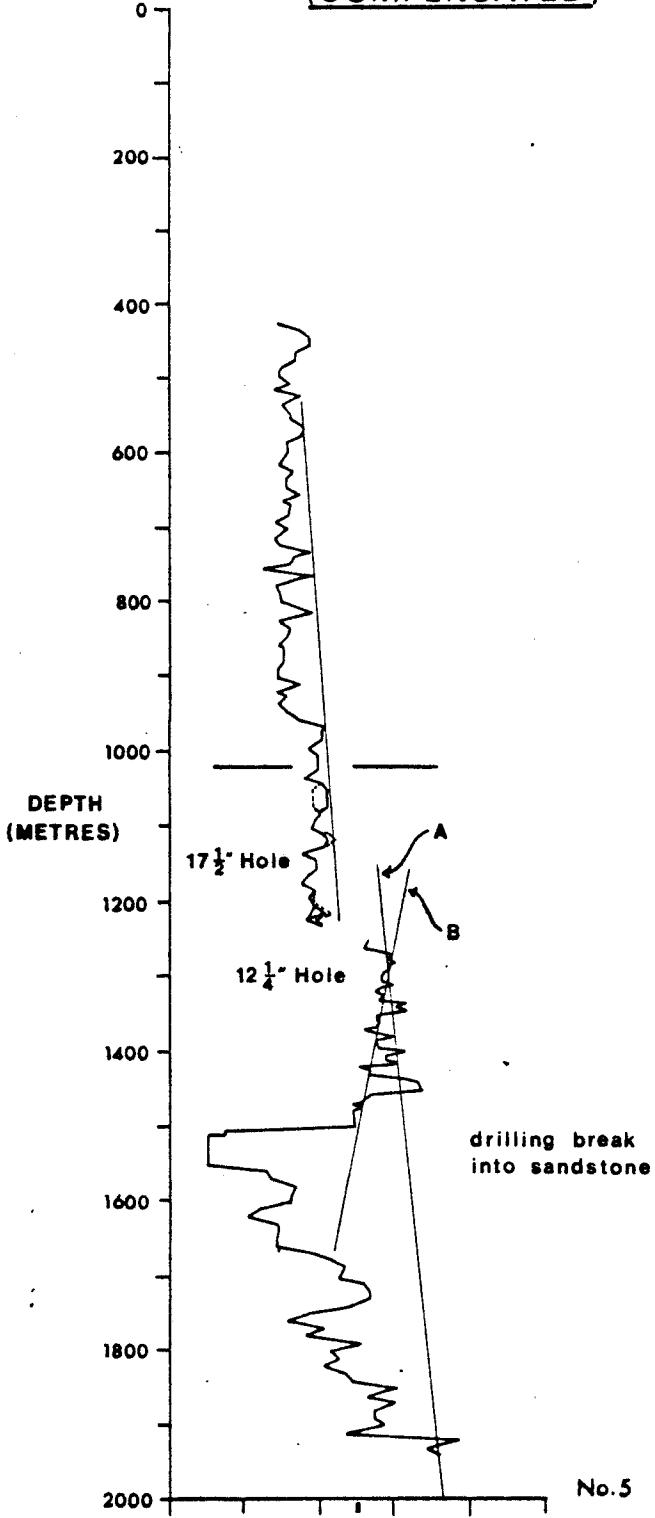
1.10 DRILLING ENGINEERING

The concept of the well design was to drill  $12\frac{1}{4}$ " hole to T.D. and run the 9-5/8" casing as a test string or trouble string. In the event, it was not necessary to run the 9-5/8" string, the well being non-hydrocarbon bearing and essentially trouble free.

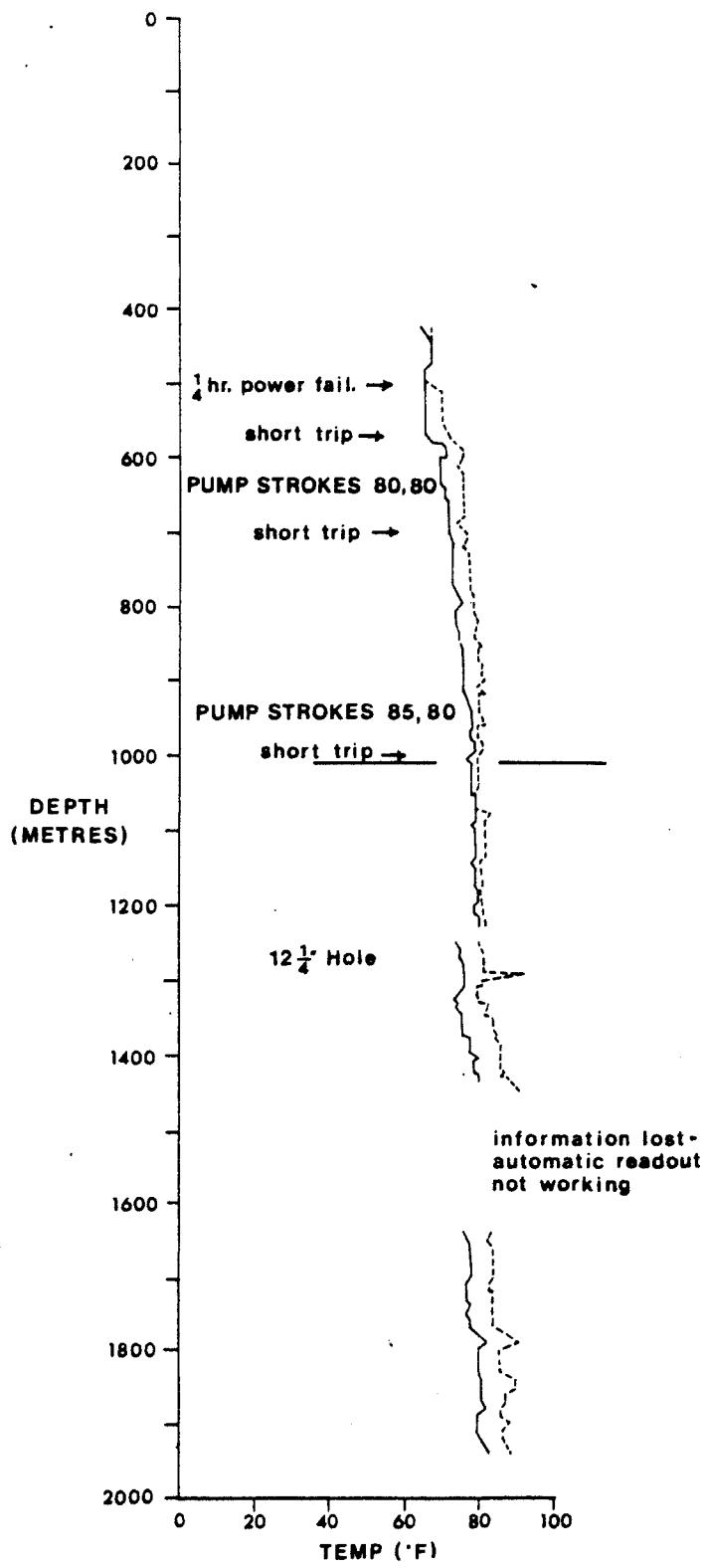
1.10.1 Formation Leak-off Tests (Fig. 6)

Leak-off tests were carried out below the 20" and 13-3/8" shoes. The breakdown of 0.598 psi/ft below the 20" shoe was invalid due to insufficient mud being pumped. The value of 0.766 psi/ft below the 13-3/8" shoe appears to be valid.

'd' EXPONENT  
(COMPENSATED)



MUD TEMP. IN & OUT



COMMENTS: Undercompacted nature of mudstone made curve relatively meaningless. Good shales are required to draw a trend line before deviation from the trend line can be detected.

For example: if trend line A has been established, it would be possible to say that line B indicated increasing undercompaction giving warning of possible overpressure in sand at 1500 + metres

NB: This interpretation is not valid here because:  
(a) shales need to be picked out  
(b) the portion of hole 1250-1500 cannot give trend line and undercompaction at the same time

There are no significant points on these curves which could have indicated abnormal pressure horizons.

**MUD LOGGING DATA**

1.10.2 Mud Logging (Fig. 7)

Core Laboratories provided an adequate mud logging service. A Hewlett Packard 9820 programmable calculator was added to the package as a tool to assist in the prediction of abnormal pressures. The operators required some time to become familiar with the use of this tool, particularly in pressure detection work. In the event there were no indications of abnormal pressures in the well, and it is probable that mud of 1.12 SG would have sufficed to T.D.

1.11      WEATHER

A chart of the weather and sea conditions is given in Enclosure 5.

The sea conditions during the drilling of the well were moderate and there was no shut-down because of weather. Some delays were experienced, however, during setting and recovery of moorings. These were the only occasions that sea or swell exceeded 10 ft. and winds exceeded 30 knots.

Based upon weather records for the area, a vessel heading of  $225^{\circ}$  was selected for Resolution-1. (The actual heading used was  $215^{\circ}$  in order to offer some protection to workboats when tied up on the port side). This heading proved to be correct for the prevailing swell in this area. Less frequent swells were experienced from the quarter  $330^{\circ} - 360^{\circ}$ .

A current meter on loan from the D.S.I.R. was positioned over the side of the 'Glomar Tasman' for the duration of Resolution-1. The results were of doubtful value due to a malfunction of the tool.

1.12 SUPPORT SERVICES1.12.1 Workboats

The 'Glomar Tasman' came to New Zealand waters with two associated workboats, the 'Lady Vilma' and the 'Sydney Tide'. The port of Nelson was selected as the main supply base for the wells to be drilled in New Zealand and the majority of supplies for Resolution-1 were obtained from Nelson. Some drill water was picked up in Lyttelton and a spare 20" casing string was held at this port. Lyttelton is conveniently located for PPL 682 and could be considered for a shore base in any future offshore work which may take place in this area.

The workboats performed satisfactorily and were able to keep the rig supplied from Nelson (28 hours sailing time) without difficulty for this shallow well. Both of the vessels encountered generator problems during the operation. The 'Lady Vilma' was used to set and recover anchors and performed creditably in rough sea conditions. The 'Sydney Tide' was found guilty of contributing to an oil spillage in Nelson Harbour on 22 June whilst transferring fuel to the 'Glomar Tasman'.

In view of the distance for the workboats to travel from Nelson to the location, it was considered preferable to use a special standby vessel. A small trawler (60 ft in length), 'M.F.V. Brothers' doubled as positioning and standy vessel. It performed satisfactorily theoughout the well.

A summary of workboat utilisation is given in Enclosure 6.

1.12.2 Helicopters

The helicopter contract called for two SA319B Alouette III aircraft. One machine did not in fact arrive until shortly before the well terminated. As an interim measure a Hughes 500 and a Bell 47J were positioned at Christchurch Airport.

The Alouette proved to be most reliable and the one Alouette and the Hughes were adequate for the operation. However, in the interests of having a back-up aircraft available, the policy of having two Alouettes is preferred. Flying time to the rig with either aircraft was 30 minutes.

Helicopter utilisation is given in Table 1.

The crews were ferried from Nelson to Christchurch by a contracted Cessna 402. The payload of this aircraft (8 pax) tied in well with the Alouette payload (6 pax). Crew changes took place 4 days each week, two flights per day, and flying time Nelson/Christchurch was 1 hr.

TABLE 1HELICOPTER UTILISATION

1. Distance Base to Rig	43 N.M.
2. Number of Flights	135
3. Distance Flown	5,940 N.M. (1)
4. Flying Times	Actual - 65.9 hr Total - 88.7 hr (2)
5. Average Speeds	90.136 knots
6. Outward Flights	
(a) Number of passengers carried	240
(b) Weight of passengers carried (180 lb each)	43,200 lb
(c) Weight of freight carried	5,964 lb
(d) Total weight carried	49,164 lb
(e) Total capacity	74,400 lb
(f) Utilisation	66%
7. Inward Flights	
(a) Number of passengers carried	229
(b) Weight of passengers carried (180 lb each)	41,220 lb
(c) Weight of freight carried	7,026 lb
(d) Total weight carried	48,246 lb
(e) Total capacity	74,400 lb
(f) Utilisation	64.8%
8. Time Grounded	
(a) Weather	2.6 hr
(b) Technical	0.4 hr
(c) Maintenance	111.3 hr
(d) Total	114.3 hr
(e) Non-availability	<u>100d</u> <u>2 x daylight hours</u>
	18.74% (3)

- NOTES: (1) Includes additional mileage incurred during re-routing due to adverse weather conditions.
- (2) Includes ground running.
- (3) All maintenance was carried out during non-scheduled flying programmes and at no time would a special flight have been delayed.

1.12.3 Diving

The diving service provided by Ocean Systems Australasia proved to be less than satisfactory. The bell handling system was not properly rigged and the bell was only used on one dive from the rig, the first. In making a dive on 20 July to 63.7 m, one diver appeared to react adversely to the cold after the hot water line to his suit failed to operate and the heating system to the decompression chamber could not be activated. The diver in question had a history of not being suited to dives in cold water and has subsequently been replaced on this operation.

A total of 14 dives were made during the well, six of which were to the seabed and one of which was a training dive. The remaining seven dives were shallow.

Summary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Dive No.</u>	<u>Time O.B. Mins.</u>	<u>Bell Used</u>	<u>Depth</u>	<u>Job</u>
8.7.75	1	17	Yes	210'	Searched for lost skate - not found. Checked baseplate - level.
10.7.75	2	10	No	50'	Tied softline to 30" csg. to assist stab-in.
12.7.75	3	31	No	220'	Searched for BOP skate. Unsuccessful.
13.7.75	4	16	No	208'	Checked PGB (clear) and searched for BOP skate - unsuccessful.
14.7.75	5	41	No	208'	Inspected PGB and checked latching of 20" BOP stack to wellhead.
15.7.75	6	6	No	15'	Attached Schlumberger heave compensating line to slip joint.
20.7.75	9	29	No	209'	Freed fouled TV line and stabbed 13-5/8" stack to wellhead.
20.7.75	10	20	No	15'	Removed rope fouling BOP pod.
26.7.75	7	2	No	165'	Training dive. Familiarisation with Aquadyne DM5 and HeO <sub>2</sub> .
26.7.75	8	10	No	15'	Attached Schlumberger heave compensating line to slip joint.
29.7.75	11	13	No	210'	Stabbed explosive charge in wellhead.
2.8.75	12	10	No	40'	Shackled tugger wire to No. 7 anchor pigtail.
3.8.75	13	5	No	20'	Shackled tugger wire to No. 2 anchor pigtail.
3.8.75	14	?	No	6'	Patched hole in aft chain locker.

1.13 LOST TIME OPERATIONS

This section highlights phases of the well where problems resulting in lost time were encountered. An explanation of the delays is given and, where possible, remedies are suggested.

1.13.1 Mooring and Unmooring Operations

Inclement weather caused considerable delays in the setting and recovery of moorings.

	<u>HOURS</u>				
	<u>Working</u>	<u>W.O.W.</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Normal</u>	<u>Lost</u>
Mooring	26½	38½	65½	18	47½
Unmooring	27½	46½	73½	18	55½
Total	54	85½	139½	36	103½

Total lost time over anticipated times for fair weather was thus 103½ hours, or rather more than 4 days. Clearly this was unavoidable lost time. In fact, anchor handling was continued in seas up to 16 feet, which is well beyond the usual limit of 6-8 feet for moorings of this size. A diary of mooring and unmooring operations, including weather records, is included in Appendix 2.

1.13.2 Loss of BOP Skate

The BOP skate is a steel trolley upon which the BOP stacks can be set for transfer from their storage areas to a position over the moonpool. It is approximately 8 m long, 5 m wide, 1 m deep and weighs about 10 tonnes.

On 8 July, prior to spud, it was used to move the temporary guide base to the moonpool area. At the time the TGB was picked up, one weld, which had been run to restrain the TGB, had not been washed off and the skate was inadvertently picked up and lost through the moonpool.

Three dives were made to locate the skate on the seabed, without success. Visibility at the seabed was less than 1 m. Sweeps of up to 60 feet was made. Some delays were encountered in making the dives, and a small delay resulted through the replacement skate, fabricated in Nelson, not being available at the time of running the 20" stack. Total time lost was of the order of 12 hours.

Loss of the skate can be attributed to human error. The handling of subsea equipment on floating rigs is always a potentially hazardous operation. However in this instance, the loss may have been avoidable had there been a direct intercom between the moonpool area and the driller's position. Such a device could be useful when handling subsea equipment and may be worth considering for installation on the rig.

**1.13.3 Delays in Testing 13-5/8" BOP Stack, etc.**

Delays totalling some 24½ hours were incurred at the time of changing out the BOP stacks and pressure testing the 13-5/8" stack. These were due to a leaking slip joint element, leaking unions and a burst hose on the kill and choke lines, and a defective kelly cock. There were no leaks in the stack itself. It is evident that insufficient attention was given to surface equipment during the refit in Singapore.

**1.13.4 Stuck Pipe at 1,322 m**

Whilst carrying out a short trip in the 12-1/4" hole from 1,451 m, the pipe stuck with the bit at 1,322 m. Overpull, to 100,000 lb above hanging weight, failed to free the string. A 20 bbl Pipe Lax/diesel pill was spotted around the drill collars, but failed to free the string after 5 hours soaking. The string was then circulated with mud and the string came free at a time when the overpull had been increased to 125,000 lb.

At the time the pipe stuck, the mud SG was 1.10 and the water loss 18, considerably more than the figure of between 10 and 5 recommended in the programme. The reason for the high fluid loss was an influx of at least 250 bbl of sea water into the system when a valve from a salt water line to the mud pump sections was left open after BOP testing.

In hindsight, more strenuous efforts should have been made to reduce the water loss following this influx. Whether the pipe was stuck mechanically or differentially is a matter for conjecture. Constant movement of the string with the heave of the vessel would tend to reduce the chances of differential sticking, so hole condition could

have been a major factor in this instance. Total time lost was 32½ hours from the pipe sticking to getting back to bottom. In this instance, 12 hours spent conditioning the mud to reduce fluid loss after the water influx could have prevented the stuck pipe and reduced the lost time.

#### 1.13.5 Abandonment - Wellhead Recovery

Rather than use explosives to blow off the subsea wellhead, a set of casing cutting tools were procured for wellhead recovery. The 13-3/8", 20" and 30" strings were cut at 80 m BRT, 6 m below seabed. Time taken for the operation - three separate cuts were made - was 12 hours. However, upon latching into the 13-5/8" housing pulls up to 500,000 lb failed to free the wellhead. Presumably the 30" cementation was effective to the seabed and the cement bond held the conductor.

A 50 lb explosive charge was set at 80 m BRT and set off with the rig winched over 100 m. This proved effective in loosening the conductor cement bond, and the wellhead was recovered with a low overpull. The charge did, however, cause some damage to the 13-5/8" housing which is not reusable. Time spent in working the wellhead and setting the charge was 15½ hours.

To preclude these delays in future wells, it is proposed to grease the exterior of the top 6 m of 30" conductors which should prevent the cement bonding to the casing. It should thus be possible to recover the wellhead after cutting without recourse to explosives. This system has apparently been used by Shell to some effect. If results do not prove satisfactory, it will be necessary to set the wellheads above the seabed so that casing cuts can be made below the housings at mudline level.

#### 1.13.6 Damage Sustained in Recovering Anchors

This has been separated from the delays caused by seas in excess of the safe limits for handling moorings.

At some period during the storm on 1 and 2 August, damage was sustained which resulted in water entering No. 5 chain locker. This probably occurred whilst housing No. 5 anchor on 1 August during a

4 m swell. It was considered necessary to repair the hole before sailing for the next location and the 'Glomar Tasman' proceeded to sheltered water 16 miles east of Godley Head. Whilst carrying out the repairs, mooring gear and personnel were transferred from the Lady Vilma. The time breakdown for the repairs is as follows:

Last anchor stowed Resolution-1	0945 hr	3.8.75
Steaming to sheltered water	11½ hr	SBPT a/c
Dropped anchor in sheltered water	2100 hr	3.8.75
Carried out repairs and transfers	17 hr	BPST(C)S a/c
Departed from anchorage	1445 hr	4.8.75
Underway to Kupe-1		SBPT a/c

During the storm on 1 and 2 August, some water was taken into the starboard pod room through a hatch which had been damaged by diving equipment which had broken free. This water, combined with heavy beam seas at a time when only three moorings were still out, resulted in a 9° list to starboard. In order to correct the list, 1,000 bbl of mud were dumped from the starboard reserve tanks. The pod room was subsequently pumped dry without problem and the hatch repaired.

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PART 2.

PETROLEUM ENGINEERING

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2.1 SCHLUMBERGER LOGS

The following Schlumberger logs were run in the well:

<u>Log</u>	<u>Run No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Depth Interval (m)</u>
BHC-GR	1A	17.7.75	379.0 - 1,207.3
	2B	28.7.75	1,212.0 - 1,956.5
DSL	1A	17.7.75	379.0 - 1,204.6
	2B	28.7.75	1,213.3 - 1,954.8
CAL	1A	17.7.75	379.0 - 1,204.6
HDT	2A	28.7.75	1,212.0 - 1,959.0

2.2 LOG INTERPRETATION2.2.1 Logging Run 1 - Logged Interval 379 - 1,204.6 m

## Logs Run:

Dual Laterolog (simultaneous)-SP	:	Run 1A
BHC Sonic-Gamma	:	Run 1A
Caliper	:	Run 1A

The interval was predominantly poorly consolidated mudstone. The only cleaner zone was from 1,104 - 1,112 m. This has the characteristics of a poorly consolidated silt. It has high porosity and contains relatively fresh water of about 5,000 - 6,000 ppm NaCl equivalent.

2.2.2 Logging Run 2 - Logged Interval: 1,212 - 1,959 m

## Logs Run:

Dual Laterolog (simultaneous)-SP	:	Run 2B
BHC Sonic - Gamma - Caliper	:	Run 2B
High Resolution Dipmeter	:	Run 2A
CIS (Well Velocity Survey)	:	-
Core Sample Taker	:	Run 2A

(a) Interval 1,212 - 1,236.8 m

Uncompacted mudstones.

(b) Interval 1,236.8 - 1,332 m

More compacted mudstones with a transition to sandy limestone at about 1,287 m. A glauconitic sand is present towards the top characterised by the high gamma peak at 1,305 - 1,306 m. A further sand development occurs at the base of the limestone zone. The porous zones have porosities of the order of 23-26% and contain water of 9,000 - 12,000 ppm NaCl equivalent.

(c) Interval 1,332 - 1,480.5 m

Basically uncompacted mudstones, more silty and compacted towards the base. The small zones of lower travel time and higher

resistivity could be glauconitic sands - possibly also pyritic. The most pronounced of these is at the base of the zone.

(d) Interval 1,480.5 - 1,663.5 m

This was the major target zone of interest. It is a high porosity sand. The porosity ranges from 35 to 45% and higher on log evidence. The majority of the sand is clean. Again pyritic/glauconitic zones are apparently present, evidenced by the reduction in sonic transit time (reduction in porosity), and high gamma activity.

On SP evidence the water resistivity is greater than that of the mud filtrate and is of the order of 0.35 - 0.45 ohm-m at BHT ( $142^{\circ}\text{F}$ ). The plot of sonic transit time versus reciprocal root resistivity confirms these values and also the high porosities. It also indicates substantial filtrate invasion by the lower resistivity filtrate.

(e) Interval 1,663.5 - 1,911.5 m

Argillaceous sandstone and siltstone are predominant in this interval which also has evidence of pyrite and glauconite zones. A clean sandstone development occurs between 1,756 and 1,788 m, having a porosity of 30 - 35% and containing water of the same salinity as of the major sand.

From 1,899 m to the top of the intrusive at 1,911.5 m, there are four sand developments which have lower porosities 15 - 20% but contain the same salinity water as in the higher sands.

(f) Interval 1,911.5 - 1,959 m

This is an igneous intrusive. The lower resistivity zones appear to indicate some low porosity development (< 10%).

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PART 3.

GEOLOGY

by

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3.1 INTRODUCTION

Resolution-1 was the second exploration well drilled in the PPL 685 area. Previous exploration activities in this licence area comprise seven seismic surveys and one exploration well, Endeavour-1, which was drilled in 1970 to 2,741 m.

The geological interpretation of the stratigraphy of Resolution-1 is based on cuttings collected at 5 or 10 m intervals below 385 m, and 56 sidewall cores and one terminal core taken below 1,225 m, together with Schlumberger log data (Enclosures 7 - 9). These geological samples are stored with the N.Z. Geological Survey in Lower Hutt.

Specialist services were provided by staff of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research based in Wellington or Lower Hutt as follows:

- (a) Biostratigraphy (Appendix 4) - Dr. N. de B. Hornbrook et al,  
N.Z. Geological Survey
- (b) Petrology (Appendix 5) - Dr. G.A. Challis,  
N.Z. Geological Survey
- (c) Radiometric Dating (Appendix 6) - Dr. C.J.D. Adams,  
N.Z. Institute of Nuclear Sciences
- (d) Magnetic Susceptibility (Appendix 7) - Mr. T.C. Mumme,  
Geophysics Division.

We wish to thank the above staff of the DSIR for their co-operation and technical assistance.

3.2 LITHOSTRATIGRAPHY75-685 mPlio-Pleistocene (Hawera-Wanganui Series)

No ditch samples were obtained above 385 m. Below 385 m, the dominant lithology is a shelly clay, consisting of lamellibranch and gasteropod shells in a grey silty clay matrix. From 524.5 - 569.5 m, there occurs an interval of grey, very fine grained, glauconite sandstone with medium porosity. Below 55 m there occur occasional 1-2 m thick beds of dark brown, fibrous lignite.

The tops of the stages within this interval marked on the composite log are the palaeontological top depths corrected upward for sample lag.

685-1,220 mUpper Miocene (Taranaki Series)

From 685-860 m, the dominant lithology is a light grey silty clay. Subordinate intervals of light grey, very fine grained glauconitic sandstone and occasional thin beds of lignite also occur. Below 860 m, the major lithology is light grey, argillaceous silt. From 1,104-1,112 m and 1,133.5-1,134.5 m there occur intervals of grey and red-brown tuff.

1,220-1,280 mMiddle Miocene (Southland Series)

From 1,220-1,236.5 m, the rock is still light grey silty clay. From 1,236.5-1,280 m, a light grey, calcareous, microfossiliferous, silty mudstone occurs. Below 1,248 m, the ageing of the interval depends on data based on cuttings only, so the top of the Altonian Stage (Lower Miocene) is uncertain.

1,280-1,306 mLower Miocene (Pareora Series)

From 1,280-1,286.5 m, the rock is light grey silty mudstone. From 1,286.5-1,306 m, a sandy limestone occurs. This is a white, very fine to fine grained grainstone with a significant quartz content

and high porosity. The base of the limestone is highly glauconitic. The limestone is of Altonian age and overlies a major unconformity which represents much of the Lower Miocene and Oligocene.

1,306-1,328 m

Oligocene (Landon Series)

This interval consists of sandy, glauconitic limestone with wackestone texture. It is of Whaingaroan age.

1,328-1,413.5 m

Upper and Middle Eocene (Arnold Series)

From 1,328-1,355 m, the section consists of light grey, silty calcareous mudstone. Below 1,355 m, the rock is light brown, calcareous, glauconitic, silty mudstone. The Stage tops within this interval are accurately bracketed by sidewall cores, except for the top of the Upper Bortonian which is picked at a convenient log marker.

1,413.5-1,480.5 m

Middle Eocene to Palaeocene (Dannevirke Series)

The dominant lithology is light brown, calcareous, glauconitic silty mudstone. In the lower part of the interval there are a few beds of dark grey and green, fine grained basaltic tuff consisting of angular shards of devitrified volcanic glass. The topmost Stage in this Series, the Porangan is either absent or was not identified.

1,480.5-1,663.5 m

?Upper Cretaceous (?Mata Series)

In this interval the predominant rock is a pale coloured, very fine to coarse grained sandstone which is locally glauconitic, carries rare fragments of volcanic rock and is highly porous. In the interval 1,557.5-1,571 m, the sandstone is dark grey and tuffaceous. The whole interval is palaeontologically barren.

1,663.5-1,911.5 mUpper Cretaceous (Mata Series)

From 1,663.5-1,783.5 m, the rock is a pale coloured, very fine grained sandstone which is locally glauconitic, carries fragments of volcanic rock and is highly porous. From 1,783.5-1,885 m, the rock is a grey, very fine to silt grade, tight, argillaceous sandstone. Near the base of this interval are several thin beds of lignite. From 1,885-1,911.5 m the dominant lithology is dark grey, sandy siltstone. A white, fine grained tight sandstone containing secondary zeolite also occurs, and at the base of the interval it is interbedded with gravel. The whole interval is well dated from sidewall core data as Haumurian. There was no indication of pre-Haumurian strata in the well.

1,911.5-1,963 mIgneous Intrusive (Miocene)

This is a medium to coarse grained basic igneous rock ranging in composition between quartz syenogabbro and teschenite. The presence of contact metasomatism in the overlying sediments and the low radiometric age of the igneous rock indicates that it is intrusive.

3.3 HYDROCARBON SHOWS1. Cuttings and Sidewall Cores

No hydrocarbon stain, fluorescence or cut was observed.

2. Schlumberger Logs

No low water saturations occurred.

3. Gas Shows(a) 17½" Hole (to 1,235m BRT)

A continuous low background of 5-10 hotwire units of gas occurred in this silt/clay interval. This gas consisted of methane only and clearly was 'shale gas'. In the show of trip gas following drilling out the 13-3/8" casing shoe, one chromatograph unit of ethane was registered.

(b) 12½" Hole (to 1,963 m BRT)

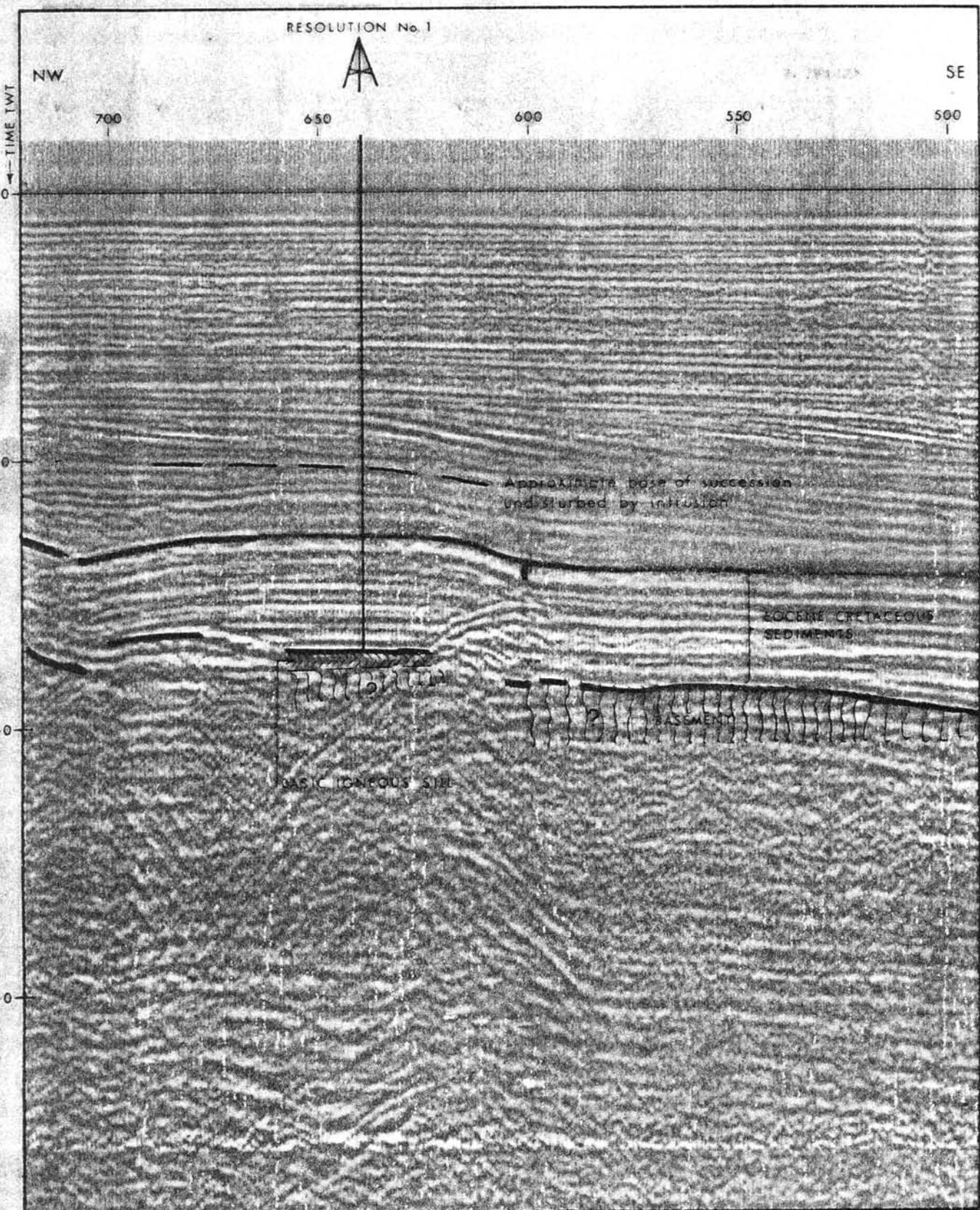
Down to 1,575 m background gas is virtually absent. Below 1,575 m the background level is 5-10 hotwire units. This background consists predominantly of methane, but below 1,740 m heavier hydrocarbon gases appear ( $C_2-C_6$ ). These gases are almost certainly related to the addition to the mud of Pipe Lax plus diesel to free stuck pipe. Pilot tests conducted on board by Core Lab, using mixtures of these materials, shows that  $C_1$  to  $C_6$  could readily be evolved by heating to formation temperatures ( $120^{\circ} - 140^{\circ}$ F).

In view of the sandy nature of the section, and the absence of indications in samples or on Schlumberger logs, the gases recorded in the 12½" hole are almost certainly derived solely from mud additives.

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FIG. 8

3.4

FORMATION AT TOTAL DEPTH

Resolution-1 was terminated after drilling and coring 51.5 metres of a coarse, mesocratic igneous rock of plutonic aspect. Binocular microscope work on the rig positively identified plagioclase feldspar, pyroxene, amphibole, biotite, apatite and quartz. In view of the mineralogy and mode, the rock was provisionally called a granodiorite. Further, the velocity shoot confirmed that the top of the igneous rock was the Seismic Red Horizon, presumed to be the top of Torlesse basement. Therefore, on the grounds of lithology, absence of apparent marginal chilling, and the velocity data, the rock was regarded as basement and the well was abandoned.

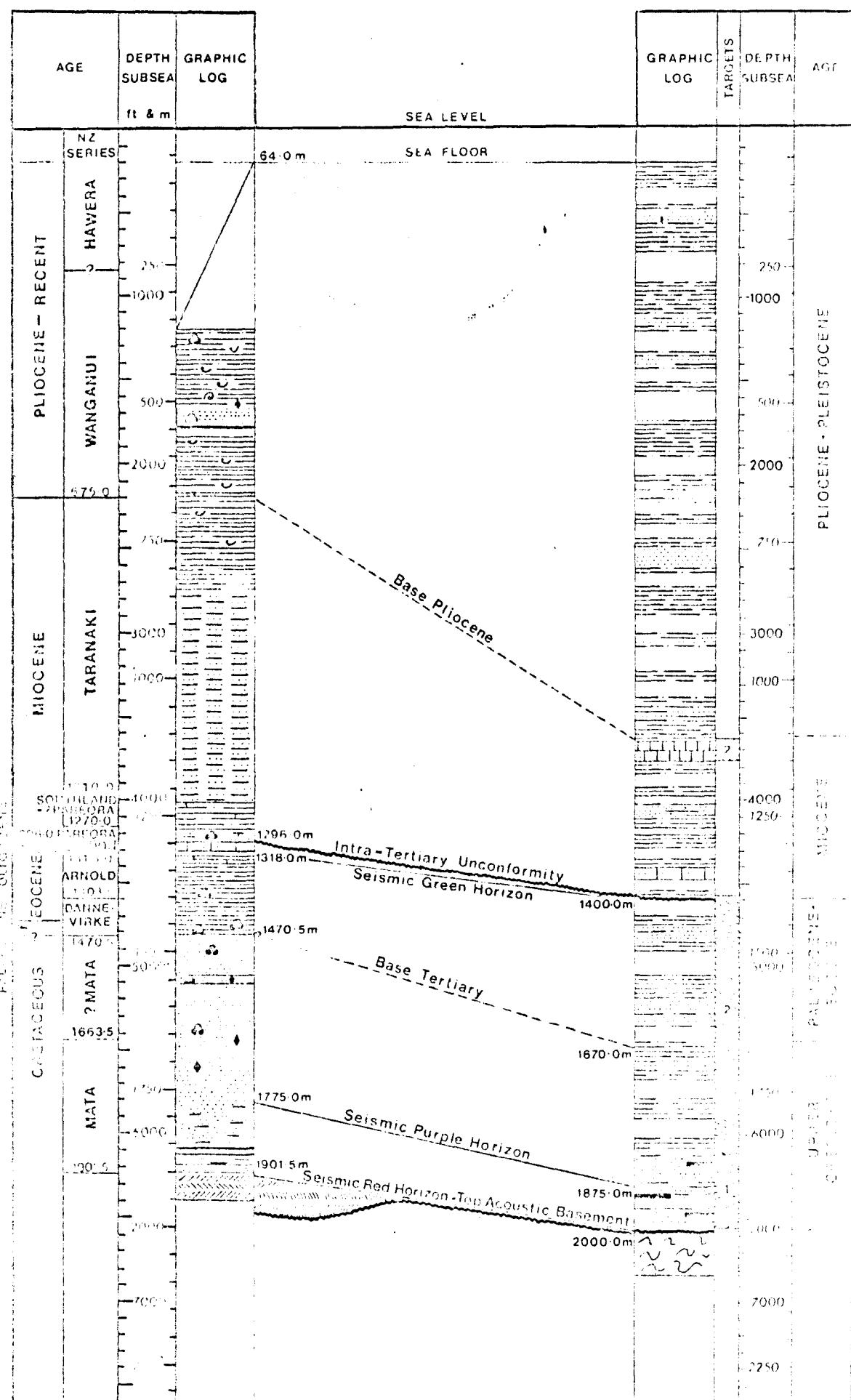
Subsequent petrological work indicated that the rock was in fact a teschenite, an alkaline basic igneous rock, and that the zeolite mineral thomsonite occurs in sidewall cores in the overlying sandstones indicating contact metasomatism (Appendix 5). This evidence, together with a K-Ar radiometric dating of c.  $12+2$  m.y. (Appendix 6) clearly indicates that the igneous rock was intrusive, and that the well did not terminate in basement. However, there is little definition on the seismic sections in the area to suggest a bedded sedimentary succession below the Red Horizon which had been mapped as the top of basement. It is possible that the path of intrusion was between the harder indurated basement rocks and the softer, less dense, overlying sediments as indicated in Fig. 8. In the absence of well information concerning the true nature of the rock below the sill, this interpretation must be regarded as tentative.

In any event the well was a valid test of the structure and there is no evidence of closure below the sill to give any possibility of hydrocarbon trapping at this level.

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STRATIGRAPHY**

SCALE 1 : 10,000

## PROGNOSIS



3.5 COMPARISON WITH PROGNOSIS

Fig. 9 illustrates how the stratigraphy of Resolution-1 compares with the prognosis (Hill, 1975) and Table 2 compares the seismic predictions with the well data. In general, the comparison is good. The principal differences are:

1. The well section was more sandy and silty than had been expected.
2. The Plio-Pleistocene section was thinner and the Miocene section was thicker than had been anticipated.
3. There were no limestones in the Miocene section.
4. The coal beds which characterise the basal part of the sedimentary sequence onshore were only thinly developed in the well (three beds, aggregate thickness 2 m).
5. The Seismic Green Horizon was identified with the major velocity change at the base of the Landon limestone, and not in this case with the 'intra Tertiary unconformity' suggested by Fisher (1974).
6. Tuff beds occurred in the well, in the Tongaporutuan and Teurian sections. Other volcanogenic debris occurred in minor amounts through much of the well section (Encl. 7).
7. The well encountered a thick basic igneous sill, in which it was terminated.

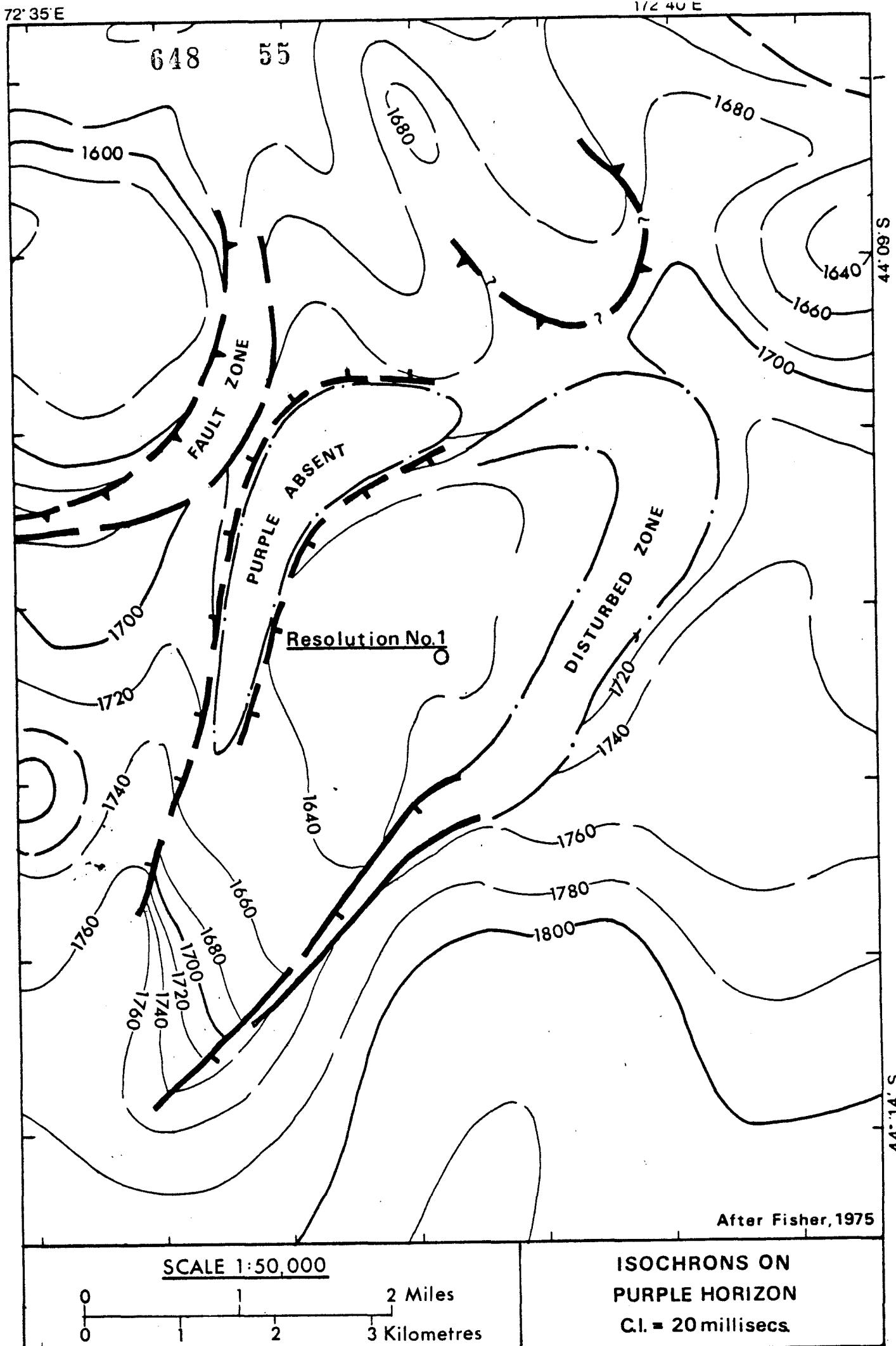
TABLE 2

COMPARISON OF PREDICTED VELOCITIES  
AND DEPTHS WITH WELL DATA

SEISMIC HORIZON	TWT (from seismic) (msec)	ASSUMED LAG (msec)	PREDICTED AVERAGE VELOCITY (m/sec)	PREDICTED DEPTH (m ss)	GEOLOGICAL MARKER	ACTUAL DEPTH (m ss)	TWT (from calibrated Sonic Log (msec)	DETERMINED LAG (msec)	TRUE AVERAGE VELOCITY (m/sec)
GREEN	1285	0	2170	1400	Base Landon Lime-stone	1320	1255	30	2105
PURPLE	1625	0	2300	1875	Within Mata Sand-stone	1785	1590	35	2245
RED	1695	0	2360	2000	Top Intrusive	1901	1660	35	2290

NOTES:

1. Source of velocity data used in prediction:  
Stacking velocities from detail seismic work.
2. Nature of calibration data:  
Provisional.
3. Date of computation:  
August 28, 1975.



3.6 RESULTS AT TARGET HORIZONS

3.6.1 Primary Target

Sandstones in a basal, coal-bearing sequence of Upper Cretaceous age were the primary target of Resolution-1 (Fig. 9). Sandstones do occur at this level, but are in large part argillaceous, silty and tight. These rocks gave no indication of oil stain or fluorescence, or any significant gas shows, and according to Schlumberger logs, are freshwater-bearing.

An accumulation of hydrocarbons is not possible here because of a lack of a trap. Although an apparently closed anticline occurs at this level (Fig. 10), the sequence is overlain by porous sands which could not act as a seal (Fig. 9).

3.6.2 Secondary Target

The main secondary target was a predicted sand-shale sequence of Upper Cretaceous/Eocene age (Fig. 9). In the well, a thick section of massive sands of inferred Upper Cretaceous age was found beneath a thick section of massive mudstones. These sandstones are excellent potential reservoirs since they are clean and have sonic log porosities of over 35%. However, there were no hydrocarbon indications, and electric logs indicate that the sandstones are freshwater bearing.

The topmost part of this porous sandstone is apparently trapped since it is anticlinally folded (Encl. 10) and is sealed by the overlying thick mudstone. If the structure ever did hold gas, this has been displaced by hydrodynamic flushing. The absence of residual oil indications means that the structure never held oil.

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TENTATIVE STRATIGRAPHY	DEPTH DRILLED	GRAPHIC LOG	DEPOSITIONAL HISTORY IN RESOLUTION AREA	HISTORY OF CANTERBURY BASIN
	ft & m			
NZ SERIES	RECENT	No data above 385m		
	PLIOCENE - RECENT			
	WANGANUI		Low energy marine deposition of SHELLY CLAYS, occasional periods of shoaling and SAND deposition	
	TARAKAHI		Low energy deposition of marine SILTS - rapid south-easterly progradation, with high input of terrigenous clastic sediment - distant volcanic activity	Regression
	MIOCENE		Low energy, marine deposition of SILTY CLAY Moderate energy marine deposition of dirty SAND Low energy, extensive marine deposition of LIMESTONE	Transgression
	CENOZOIC		Low energy, continuous, slow, marine deposition of CLAYS and SILTY CLAYS - distant volcanic activity Rapid submergence	Warping and restriction of basin maximum transgression
	MATA		High energy deposition of clean, probably marine, shallow water SANDS	Local subsidence in synclinal areas volcanic activity
	DATA		Low energy deposition (below wave base) of dirty, probably marine SANDS and SILTS	
			Marginal marine/non-marine GRAVELS and COAL	
			Transgressive overstep across low relief ?Metamorphic basement	Progressive Transgression

3.7 DISCUSSION OF RESULTS IN RELATION TO REGIONAL GEOLOGY3.7.1 Stratigraphical3.7.1.1 Correlation

Enclosure 11 illustrates the correlation of the Resolution-1 section with the onshore stratigraphy of North Canterbury some 120 km to the north, the nearest area to the well where a fairly complete sedimentary succession occurs. Some aspects of the correlation are discussed below.

3.7.1.2 Reservoirs

In addition to the sandstones of the Mata Series which were anticipated in the well prognosis, two other potential reservoir sections, albeit relatively thinly developed, were encountered. The first occurs at 1,306-1,326.5 m BRT, and is a sandy, glauconitic limestone with wackestone texture and of Oligocene age. The sonic log porosity of this unit is over 25%. The limestone is the time equivalent of the Amberley Limestone onshore in North Canterbury (Encl. 11). It is the expression of maximum marine transgression (Fig. 11) and hence is probably widely developed offshore in the northern part of the basin.

The second potential reservoir section occurs at 1,287-1,306 m BRT, and is a sandy glauconitic limestone with grainstone texture and of Miocene age. The average sonic log porosity of the rock is over 30%. The unit unconformably overlies the Oligocene limestone discussed above. It is a basal deposit laid down during the transgression that followed the Oligocene hiatus (Fig. 11) and is probably areally extensive. It is of similar facies to, and homotaxial with the Weka Pass Stone (Encl. 11) but is much younger.

3.7.1.3 Unconformities

The only unconformity that can be positively identified in the Resolution-1 succession occurs at 1,306 m BRT, at the base of the Miocene, where Southland Series limestones overlie basal Landon Series limestones. This unconformity represents

a major stratigraphic break (three New Zealand stages cf. Encl. 11), but is not noticeably angular, either in the well, from dipmeter log evidence, or areally, on seismic.

#### 3.7.1.4 Depositional Environments

Figure 11 illustrates an interpretation of the depositional environments represented in the Resolution-1 section.

The well section was sandier than was expected in the ?Mata interval. This probably results from the Resolution area remaining high relative to onshore Canterbury during the initial transgression. If this were the case, condensed deposition and stratigraphic breaks would occur, thus helping to explain the abundance of glauconite in the well (McRae, 1972).

#### 3.7.1.5 Identity of the Seismic Red Horizon

Resolution-1 penetrated the Red Horizon, the top of acoustic basement. However the well terminated in an igneous intrusive body and therefore failed to identify what regionally is acoustic basement. Further, the Endeavour-1 well 160 km to the south-west, possibly failed to reach the Red Horizon (Fisher, 1974), so the identity of the horizon remains uncertain.

The Red Horizon is a south-easterly dipping horizon, which is overstepped by overlying reflections (Encl. 12). Clearly it represents a fairly major regional unconformity. In view of the observed degree of overstep and the lack of consistent, deeper reflections indicative of a bedded sedimentary sequence, the Red Horizon most probably represents the top of metamorphic basement.

#### 3.7.1.6 Age of Igneous Activity

In Resolution-1, thin tuff beds occurred in the Tongaporutuan and Teurian sections, indicating volcanic activity in late Miocene and Palaeocene times respectively. The Tongaporutuan tuffs are very probably derived from one of the Banks

Peninsula vents (Table 3). The Teurian tuffs may be related to the 'Brookside Volcanic Formation' encountered in the onshore well Leeston No. 1, but the precise age of this unit is uncertain (Katz, 1971).

The basic intrusive in which the well was terminated has been radiometrically dated at  $12 \pm 2$  m.y. (Appendix 6). It is therefore of Miocene age and is apparently contemporaneous with the Lyttleton episode of the Banks Peninsula volcanic complex.

### 3.7.2 Structural

#### 3.7.2.1 Origin of the Structure

The Resolution-1 structure is a simple domal feature across which the strata maintain a constant thickness (Encl. 13). It involves reflections as high as 1 sec. on seismic sections corresponding to strata as high as Tongaporutuan in the well. Clearly therefore the feature was generated by doming in Miocene times. This age corresponds with the radiometric dating obtained from the igneous intrusive at the base of the Resolution-1 section. Hence it is reasonable to suggest that doming was caused by the emplacement of the igneous intrusive. If this is so, by corollary, the area and thickness of the intrusive body must approximate the area and relief of the structure in the overlying strata.

#### 3.7.2.2 Other Structures

In the immediate area south of Banks Peninsula, Fisher (1975, Encl. 16) has mapped several structures at Seismic Purple and Green levels, as well as some inferred volcanic plugs which breach the Green Horizon. In view of the very similar structural style and age of these structures to the Resolution feature, probably these too were created by doming over Miocene igneous intrusions emplaced low in the succession.

TABLE 3AGE OF VOLCANIC ROCKS IN  
NORTH CANTERBURY

Volcanic event/unit	Radiometric Dating	Age
Banks Peninsula * (Diamond Harbour Gp (Akaroa Volcano Peninsula * (Lyttelton Volcano	5.8-8.2 m y 8-9 m y 10-12 m y	Late Miocene- Pliocene
Brookside Volcanics	undated	Palaeocene- Miocene
Mount Somers Gp **	81 m y	Late Cretaceous

Data Sources

- \* Stipp and McDougall (1968)  
 \*\* Hulston and McCabe (1972)

3.8 HYDROCARBON POTENTIAL OF PPL 6853.8.1 Traps

All potential reservoirs in the Resolution-1 section have been hydrodynamically flushed. The other anticlinal features immediately south of Banks Peninsula, all of which lie landward of Resolution-1, can be expected to have been similarly flushed, and hence are very poor prospects.

A very large wedgeout feature some 70 km south-west of Resolution-1 has been mapped by Fisher (1974, Encl. 16). This is defined by the truncation of the Seismic Purple Horizon against Seismic Red, reflecting onlap across an unconformity surface. However in Resolution-1, the Purple Horizon is overlain by over 300 m of sandstone. Assuming a similar succession in the vicinity of the wedge-out, the feature would be open to the north-west.

Possibly the most promising prospective area remaining in the licence area lies basinward of Resolution-1 (Encl. 14). Here, overstep of Mata and pre-Mata strata across the Red Horizon (?top basement) unconformity could give rise to wedgeout traps in basal sands. These traps should have been protected from the effects of flushing.

3.8.2 Source Potential

Full evaluation of the source potential of the Resolution-1 section must await the results of geochemical studies presently in hand. However, the generally sandy/silty nature of the well section is discouraging. Nevertheless, seismic sections show that:

- (a) because of the overstepping nature of the basal part of the sequence, older sediments occur basinwards of Resolution-1 that were not tested by the well. The source potential of these older strata remains unknown.
- (b) in the Red-Green interval, the character of seismic reflections becomes less distinct basinwards (Encl. 13), e.g. the Purple Horizon dies out completely (Encl. 12). This character change may reflect a seaward transition to a more shaly sequence with better source rock potential.

3.8.3 Future Prospects

As mentioned previously, the most promising prospects remaining in PPL 685 are potential wedgeout traps at Mata and pre-Mata levels, lying basinward of Resolution-1. A review of the hydrocarbon potential and prospects of the Canterbury Basin is presently being undertaken. Recommendations for further work will depend on the results of the review.

3.9

CONCLUSIONS

1. The Resolution-1 succession compared well with the prognosis. The main departure was that the section was sandier than expected.
2. No significant gas or oil indications occurred.
3. Reservoir quality sandstones and limestones were well developed, but all were freshwater-bearing, very probably due to hydrodynamic flushing.
4. Evaluation of the hydrocarbon source potential of the Resolution-1 section awaits the results of geochemical studies presently in hand. However, the sandy character of the well section is discouraging, but shales with source potential probably occur basinward of the well.
5. The Resolution structure was probably created by updoming of the sedimentary cover over a Miocene basic igneous intrusion. The other anticlines in the area immediately south of Banks Peninsula are probably of similar origin and age.
6. The Seismic Red Horizon is a regional unconformity which is extensively overstepped. It most probably represents the top of basement.
7. The other anticlinal prospects adjacent to the Resolution structure have very probably been hydrodynamically flushed. Hence they are very poor prospects.
8. The major depositional wedgeout 70 kms south-west of Resolution-1 is probably not sealed.
9. The most promising prospects remaining in PPL 685 are Mata and pre-Mata depositional wedgeouts located close to the seaward boundary of the licence area. A review of the hydrocarbon potential and prospects of the Canterbury Basin is presently being undertaken and further work will depend on the results of this review.

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APPENDIX I

DRILLING DIARY

DRILLING DIARY

<u>Date</u>	<u>Depth m</u>	
23/5/75	-	Glomar Tasman left Jurong Dockside (Singapore) at 1000 hr. Loading fuel.
25/5/75	-	Glomar Tasman departed Singapore 0001 hr tow assisted by Lady Vilma.
19/6/75	-	Arrived Tasman Bay at 0800 hr. Alongside at Nelson 1640 hr for loading equipment.
20/6/75	-	Contract suspended at 1400 hr for electrical repairs.
2/7/75	-	Glomar Tasman departed Nelson. Contract resumed at 1330 hr at release of pilot. Lady Vilma tow-assisting to location.
5/7/75	-	Arrived on location. <u>Set first anchor at 2100 hr.</u>
6/7/75	-	Setting anchors, 3 out. WOW.
7/7/75	-	WOW. Set 2 further anchors.
8/7/75	-	Completed setting anchors and tensioned up. Confirmed rig position, 11 yds west and 25 yds north of intended location. Checked water depth (64 m) and seabed competence. Lost BOP skate in handling TGB. Divers unable to locate. Ran Temporary Guide Base.
9/7/75	109	Made up tools. <u>Spudded Resolution-1 1700 hr.</u> Drilling 36" hole.
10/7/75	127	Drilled to 127 m. POH and ran 4 joints 30" casing to 122 m with Permanent Guide Base. Cemented with neat cement.
11/7/75	313	Made up 26" bit. Tagged cement at 111 m. Drilled out shoe. Drilling 26" hole.

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Date      Depth m

12/7/75	390	Drilled to 390 m. Made wiper trip and spotted viscous mud. Running 20" casing.
13/7/75	390	Ran 20" casing to 377 m. Cemented with gel followed by neat cement. Transferred and ran 20" BOP stack.
14/7/75	397	Latched and tested 20" stack. Ran 17½" tools. Drilled out cement and shoe. Drilled to 397 m and carried out formation leak-off test, equivalent to 11.3 lb/gal.
15/7/75	926	Drilling 17½" hole with wiper trips.
16/7/75	1235	Drilled to 1,235 m with wiper trips. POH.
17/7/75	1235	Logged. Made wiper trip. POH.
18/7/75	1235	Pulled bore protector. Ran 97 joints 13-3/8" casing to 1,223.6 m in rough seas.
19/7/75	1235	Cemented with gel followed by neat cement. Pulled 20" BOP stack.
20/7/75	1235	Ran 13-5/8" stack. Testing and repairing lines.
21/7/75	1235	Tested stack and cured leaks. Made up 12½" tools.
22/7/75	1451	Tagged cement at 1,199 m. Drilled out shoe and carried out formation leak-off test, equivalent to 14.7 lb/gal. Drilling. Pipe stuck with bit at 1,322 m on short trip.
23/7/75	1451	Spotted Pipe lax and worked pipe. Increased over-pull and circulated mud. POH and RIH new bit.
24/7/75	1729	RIH. Conditioned mud and hole. Drilling.
25/7/75	1911	Drilled to 1,851 m. POH and RIH new bit. Drilling.
26/7/75	1958	Drilled 12½" hole to 1,958 m. POH and ran 8-7/16" core head on 6¾" barrel.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Depth m</u>	
27/7/75	1963	Took core No. 1, 1,958 m to 1,963 m. Progress ceased. POH, 100% recovery. RIH 12 $\frac{1}{4}$ " bit and reamed rat hole. POH. Logging.
28/7/75	Plugged Back	Completed logging. Ran open-ended drill pipe and set cement plug across 13-3/8" shoe. Set bridge plug at 1,150 m.
29/7/75	-	Set cement plug on bridge plug. Recovered 13-5/8" BOP stack on 22" riser. Cut 13-3/8" and 20" casing at 80 m BRT.
30/7/75	-	Cut 30" casing. Attempted unsuccessfully to pull wellhead housings. Ran and set off explosive charge in wellhead with rig 100 m off location. Moved back over and recovered wellhead and PGB.
31/7/75	-	Set surface cement plug 84 m BRT to seabed (74 m). Recovered TGB. Seabed clear. <u>Well abandoned 0800 hr.</u> Commenced lifting anchors 0800 hr. Recovered 2 anchors. WOW.
1/8/75	-	WOW, 18' seas and 60 knot winds. Dumped mud to correct list caused by leaking hatch. Recovered 2 further anchors.
2/8/75	-	WOW.
3/8/75	-	Recovered remaining anchors. Last anchor housed <u>and rig released 0945 hr.</u> Under way 1015 hr. Set anchor off Godley Head at 2100 hr to carry out repairs to hull caused by No. 5 anchor being housed.
4/8/75	-	Completed repairs. Under way to SBPT location 'D' in South Taranaki Bight 1445 hr.

NOTE: The adjusted release time to allow for repair time off Godley Head was 0330 hr 4 August 1975.

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APPENDIX 2.

MOORING AND UNMOORING

by Captain L. Watkins

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MOORING

5 JULY 1975 - 8 JULY 1975

5 July 1975

1805 Streamed #5 buoy, rig to proceed to location.  
2100 Set #5 anchor at marker.  
2220 Run and set #1 with Lady Vilma.  
Rig held with #5 and #1. #7 dropped underfoot  
to hold rig heading.  
2300 Discussed with Master Lady Vilma conditions  
deteriorated now considered unsafe to continue.  
wx Barometer 1018.0 Wind 200° x 30 knots  
Sea Ht. and Direction 200° x 5 feet  
Swell Ht. and Direction 200° x 18 feet

6 July 1975

1600 Weather moderating slightly. Lady Vilma  
ordered to #8 to attempt to run.  
1700 Lady Vilma at #8.  
1745 #8 run and set. Lady Vilma to attempt transfer  
of personnel via crane, attempt aborted, unsafe.  
Too dangerous to attempt transfer of personnel  
or equipment.  
2045 Lady Vilma to #4 anchor.  
2215 #4 anchor set. Weather deteriorated, anchor work  
discontinued.  
wx Barometer 1016.9 Wind 220° x 30 knots  
Sea Ht. and Direction 220° x 5 feet  
Swell Ht. and Direction 220° x 16 feet

7 July 1975

1930 Weather improves Lady Vilma ordered to rig.  
2145 Lady Vilma runs and sets #2 anchor to prepare for  
#3.  
2355 #3 run and set. Lady Vilma to prepare for #7.

8 July 1975

0400 #7 run and set. Lady Vilma to reset #1 and  
pull rig into tolerance zone.  
0530 #1 reset. Heaving rig into zone with anchors.  
0700 Lady Vilma in for #6.

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MOORING

8 July 1975 (cont'd)

- 0900            #6 run and set. All anchors run.  
Position rig within tolerance zone as directed  
by M.V. Brothers.
- 1145            Reset #7 anchor scope of chain too little due  
to moving of rig.
- 1345            Reset #8 anchor scope of chain too little due  
to moving of rig.
- 1410            Position of rig accepted, mooring system tensioned  
to 150,000 lbs. Final Heading 215<sup>6</sup> (T).

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WEATHER LOG5 JULY 1975 - 8 JULY 19755 July 1975

2000	<u>Bar</u> 1019.1	<u>Wind</u> 200° x 30 k	<u>Sea</u> 200° x 4 feet
	<u>Swell</u> 200° x 15 feet		
2400	<u>Bar</u> 1018.2	<u>Wind</u> 200° x 35 k	<u>Sea</u> 200° x 5 feet

6 July 1975

0400	<u>Bar</u> 1020.0	<u>Wind</u> 200° x 30 k	<u>Sea</u> 200° x 4 feet
	<u>Swell</u> 200° x 16 feet		
0800	<u>Bar</u> 1020.3	<u>Wind</u> 200° x 30 k	<u>Sea</u> 200° x 4 feet
	<u>Swell</u> 200° x 16 feet		
1200	<u>Bar</u> 1020.0	<u>Wind</u> 220° x 30-35 k	<u>Sea</u> 220° x 5.6 feet
	<u>Swell</u> 220° x 16 feet		
1600	<u>Bar</u> 1017.2	<u>Wind</u> 220° x 20-25 k	<u>Sea</u> 220° x 5 feet
	<u>Swell</u> 220° x 16-18 feet		
2000	<u>Bar</u> 1017.0	<u>Wind</u> 220° x 25 k	<u>Sea</u> 220° x 5 feet
	<u>Swell</u> 220° x 16 feet		
2400	<u>Bar</u> 1016.1	<u>Wind</u> 220° x 25 k	<u>Sea</u> 220° x 5 feet
	<u>Swell</u> 220° x 16-18 feet		

7 July 1975

0400	<u>Bar</u> 1013.8	<u>Wind</u> 225° x 25-30 k	<u>Sea</u> 225° x 4 feet
	<u>Swell</u> 230° x 18 feet		
0800	<u>Bar</u> 1015.2	<u>Wind</u> 230° x 30 k	<u>Sea</u> 230° x 5 feet
	<u>Swell</u> 230° x 16 feet		
1200	<u>Bar</u> 1014.7	<u>Wind</u> 230° x 30 k	<u>Sea</u> 230° x 5 feet
	<u>Swell</u> 230° x 18 feet		
1600	<u>Bar</u> 1015.9	<u>Wind</u> 230° x 30 k	<u>Sea</u> 230° x 5 feet
	<u>Swell</u> 230° x 18 feet		
2000	<u>Bar</u> 1016.9	<u>Wind</u> 230° x 25 k	<u>Sea</u> 230° x 4 feet
	<u>Swell</u> 230° x 16 feet		
2400	<u>Bar</u> 1017.5	<u>Wind</u> 215° x 20 k	<u>Sea</u> 215° x 2 feet
	<u>Swell</u> 225° x 14 feet		

8 July 1975

0400	<u>Bar</u> 1017.9	<u>Wind</u> 180° x 15-25 k	<u>Sea</u> 180° x 2 feet
	<u>Swell</u> 220° x 12-14 feet		
0800	<u>Bar</u> 1017.6	<u>Wind</u> 180° x 15 k	<u>Sea</u> 180° x 2 feet
	<u>Swell</u> 215° x 12 feet		
1200	<u>Bar</u> 1017.2	<u>Wind</u> 180° x 10 k	<u>Sea</u> 180° x 1 foot
	<u>Swell</u> 210° x 10-12 feet		

UNMOORING31 JULY 1975 - 3 AUGUST 197531 July 1975

0645           Lady Vilma placed on standby for anchor work.

0745           Lady Vilma reports #7 buoy not visible (presumed sunk, had been observed on previous day).  
Lady Vilma to proceed to #2.

0900           Commenced heaving in #2.

0920           #2 released by Lady Vilma. Lady Vilma to proceed with #6.

1145           #6 racked. Lady Vilma to #3.

1200           Lady Vilma attempted to retrieved #3 unsuccessful due to deteriorating weather.  
wx Barometer 1009.5 Wind 320° x 35/45 knots  
Sea 320° x 6-7 feet Swell 320° x 8 ft.

1500           Weather moderates slightly. Lady Vilma to #3.

1530           Commenced heaving #3.

1710           #3 racked. Lady Vilma to proceed to #5.

1930           After repeated attempts Lady Vilma unable to work at #5; anchor work suspended.

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0230           Lady Vilma requested to attempt #5.

0330           Wind increases to 45-60 knots, attempt aborted.

1200           Weather moderating attempting to heave #7 in without workboat assistance.

1600           Lady Vilma to procced to #5.

1630           #7 racked sunken buoy on bottom connected by pendant line.

1900           #5 anchor decked and cleared on Lady Vilma commenced heaving in. Rigging up to retrieve #7 crown wire and buoy.

2200           #5 racked. Lady Vilma to #8.

2330           #8 racked. Weather deteriorating.  
wx Barometer 995.5 Wind 205° x 35-40 knots  
Sea 215° x 6 feet Swell 215° x 12 feet

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UNMOORING

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- 0545           Lady Vilma ordered to #4 to attempt recovery of buoy; attempt aborted. Rig to heave #4 chain short.
- 0630           Bitter end of #4 chain at fairlead, chain must have parted during storm of 1.8.75 (subsequently found to have parted at Kenter link approximately 1500 ft. from anchor).
- 0700           Lady Vilma to pick up #7 crown wire and buoy. Lady Vilma unable to approach close enough to rig. Rig to recover crown wire and buoy.
- 1330           #7 buoy recovered. Rig to attempt pull #1 anchor and leave Lady Vilma at location to pick up #4 when weather moderates.
- 1530           Abandoned attempt to recover #1 anchor, swells too heavy.

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- 0530           Lady Vilma to attempt recovery of #4 anchor and chain.
- 0700           #4 anchor on deck of Lady Vilma.
- 0830           Commenced heaving #1 chain.
- 0945           #1 anchor off bottom.
- 1015           Recovered #1 anchor buoy. Departed Resolution-1.

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WEATHER LOG

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31 July 1975

1200	<u>Baro</u> 1009.5 <u>Wind</u> 320° x 35-45 knots <u>Sea</u> 320° x 6-7 ft. <u>Swell</u> 320° x 8 ft.
1600	<u>Baro</u> 1007.0 <u>Wind</u> 320° x 30-40 knots <u>Sea</u> 320° x 6-7 ft. <u>Swell</u> 320° x 8 ft.
2000	<u>Baro</u> 1003.5 <u>Wind</u> 325° x 30-40 knots <u>Sea</u> 325° x 8 ft. <u>Swell</u> 320° x 8 ft.
2400	<u>Baro</u> 990.0 <u>Wind</u> 325° x 40-50 knots <u>Sea</u> 325° x 10 ft. <u>Swell</u> 325° x 8 ft.

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0400	<u>Baro</u> 994.0 <u>Wind</u> 345° x 25 knots <u>Sea</u> 345° x 6 ft. <u>Swell</u> 345° x 8 ft.
0800	<u>Baro</u> 992.5 <u>Wind</u> 315° x 60-85 knots <u>Sea</u> 315° x 10 ft. <u>Swell</u> 315° x 10 ft.
1200	<u>Baro</u> 988.0 <u>Wind</u> 315° x 40-50 knots <u>Sea</u> 315° x 8 ft. <u>Swell</u> 315° x 10 ft.
1600	<u>Baro</u> 988.0 <u>Wind</u> 325° x 20 knots <u>Sea</u> 325° x 5 ft. <u>Swell</u> 325° x 8 ft.
2000	<u>Baro</u> 992.2 <u>Wind</u> 215° x 35 knots <u>Sea</u> 215° x 5 ft. <u>Swell</u> 215° x 12 ft.
2400	<u>Baro</u> 995.5 <u>Wind</u> 215° x 35-40 knots <u>Sea</u> 215° x 6 ft. <u>Swell</u> 215° x 12 ft.

2 August 1975

0400	<u>Baro</u> 998.5 <u>Wind</u> 225° x 30-40 knots <u>Sea</u> 225° x 6 ft. <u>Swell</u> 225° x 12 ft.
0800	<u>Baro</u> 1002.0 <u>Wind</u> 225° x 30-45 knots <u>Sea</u> 225° x 6 ft. <u>Swell</u> 225° x 12 ft.
1200	<u>Baro</u> 1006.3 <u>Wind</u> 220° x 40-50 knots <u>Sea</u> 220° x 8 ft. <u>Swell</u> 220° x 12 ft.
1600	<u>Baro</u> 1010.0 <u>Wind</u> 220° x 35-45 knots <u>Sea</u> 220° x 8 ft. <u>Swell</u> 220° x 14 ft.
2000	<u>Baro</u> 1016.5 <u>Wind</u> 210° x 25-30 knots <u>Sea</u> 220° x 6 ft. <u>Swell</u> 220° x 12-14 ft.
2400	<u>Baro</u> 1019.9 <u>Wind</u> 210° x 25-30 knots <u>Sea</u> 210° x 5 ft. <u>Swell</u> 210° x 12 ft.

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WEATHER LOG

3 August 1975

0400 Baro 1023.0 Wind 205° x 20 knots  
Sea 205° x 3 ft. Swell 210° x 10 ft.

0800 Baro 1024.8 Wind 205° x 12 knots  
Sea 205° x 1 ft. Swell 210° x 10 ft.

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APPENDIX 3.

SIDEWALL CORE DESCRIPTIONS

Sidewall core depths refer to the Run 2B Gamma Ray Log. This log was accidentally run 1.3 m higher than the Run 2B Sonic Log.

<u>Core No.</u>	<u>Depth (m BDF)</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	1908.5	SANDSTONE: white, very fine to fine grained, occasional coarse grains, subangular to subrounded, poorly sorted grains, firm, argillaceous, slightly calcareous, tight. Contains secondary fibrous zeolite (thomsonite).
2	1893.5	No recovery.
3	1877.5	ARGILLACEOUS SANDSTONE: medium grey, very fine to silt grade, subangular to subrounded, poorly sorted grains, firm, slightly calcareous, pyritic, micaceous, tight. Vein of massive dolomite mineral.
4	1797.5	ARGILLACEOUS SANDSTONE: as for core 3, but light grey, slightly cleaner.
5	1776.0	SANDSTONE: light grey, very fine grained, subrounded, well sorted grains, firm, non-calcareous, slightly argillaceous, glauconitic, high porosity.
6	1772.0	SANDSTONE: as for core 5, but calcareous and slightly micaceous.
7	1758.5 )	SANDSTONE: as for core 5, but buff coloured.
8	1740.0 )	
9	1704.5	SANDSTONE: as for core 5, but buff coloured and with occasional fragments of lignite and some grains of crystalline quartz.
10	1685.0	SANDSTONE: as for core 5, with occasional fragments of lignite.
11	1668.0	SANDSTONE: light brown, very fine grained, subangular to subrounded, poorly sorted grains, firm, non-calcareous, pyritic, glauconitic, high porosity.
12	1660.0 )	SANDSTONE: buff, very fine to fine grained, subrounded to rounded, moderately sorted grains, soft, clean, high porosity.
13	1640.0 )	
14	1610.0 )	SANDSTONE: white, very fine to fine, occasionally medium grained, rounded, moderately sorted grains, soft, clean, high porosity.
15	1590.0 )	
16	1581.0	SANDSTONE: as for core 14, but medium, occasionally coarse grained.
17	1577.0	No recovery.

18	1574.5	SANDSTONE: light grey, very fine to fine grained, subangular to subrounded, poorly sorted grains, soft, silty matrix, medium porosity.
19	1572.0	SANDSTONE: buff, very fine to fine grained, subrounded, moderately sorted grains, soft, silty matrix, high porosity.
20	1567.5 )	SANDSTONE: dark grey and green, fine to
21	1566.0 )	very fine grained, subangular to subrounded,
22	1562.0 )	poorly sorted grains, hard, pyritic,
23	1560.0 )	glauconitic, porosity variable, locally very high. Some organic carbonate, feldspar, magnetite, epidote, zircon, glauconite, volcanic glass and palagonite tuff.
24	1557.0 )	SANDSTONE: light grey, very fine to
25	1546.5 )	fine grained, rounded, well sorted grains,
26	1534.0 )	soft, non-calcareous, very high porosity.
27	1532.0 )	Minor glauconite in cores 26, 28 and 30.
28	1528.5 )	
29	1525.0 )	
30	1510.0 )	
31	1508.5	No recovery.
32	1480.0 )	BASALTIC TUFF: dark grey and green,
33	1478.0 )	fine grained, angular shards of devitrified volcanic glass. Numerous crystals of magnetite and pyrite. Rare feldspar and augite. Rare carbonate and glauconite, possibly contamination.
34	1474.5	MUDSTONE: dark grey, firm, non-calcareous, sandy, slightly glauconitic, pyritic.
35	1462.4 )	MUDSTONE: medium grey, firm,
36	1450.0 )	non-calcareous, slightly glauconitic.
37	1443.0	MUDSTONE: medium grey, firm, non-calcareous, sandy, highly glauconitic.
38	1428.0 )	MUDSTONE: brown, firm, silty, glauconitic,
39	1396.5 )	calcareous.
40	1387.0 )	SILTY MUDSTONE: brown, firm, calcareous.
41	1380.0 )	
42	1348.0 )	
43	1338.0 )	
44	1335.0 )	SILTY MUDSTONE: light grey, fine,
45	1332.0 )	calcareous.
46	1330.0 )	

47	1328.0	SANDY LIMESTONE: light grey, very fine grained, grainstone texture. Quartz grains are rounded. Minor glauconite, feldspar, pyroxene, magnetite and pyrite. Minor tuffaceous material. Medium porosity.
48	1323.0 )	LIMESTONE: white, wackestone, firm sandy, no visible porosity. Pinpoints of glauconite in cores 48 and 51.
49	1320.0 )	
50	1318.5 )	
51	1312.5 )	
52	1308.5 )	
53	1306.5	SANDY LIMESTONE: white, fine grained, grainstone texture, highly glauconitic. Grains consist of shell fragments, microfossils, glauconite, quartz, feldspar and a quartz-rich, medium grained igneous rock. Quartz is largely angular. Rare titanaugite and zeolite.
54	1299.0 )	SANDY LIMESTONE: white to light grey, very fine to fine grained, grainstone texture, high porosity. Grains consist predominantly of shell fragments and microfossils. Subordinate quartz, rounded clouded and pitted. Very rare fragments of zeolitized volcanic glass.
55	1292.0 )	
56	1285.0	SILTY MUDSTONE: medium grey, firm, sandy, calcareous.
57	1247.0	SILTY MUDSTONE: medium grey, firm, sandy, calcareous, very glauconitic.
58	1229.0 )	SILTY MUDSTONE: light grey, soft,
59	1225.0 )	calcareous.
60	1221.5	No recovery.

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APPENDIX 4.

BIOSTRATIGRAPHY

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(Biostratigraphic data sheets are  
enclosed as Enclosure 15).

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REPORT ON THE BIOSTRATIGRAPHY OF  
RESOLUTION No. 1 OFFSHORE WELL

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## Introduction

Resolution No. 1 Well was drilled by BP Shell Todd (Canterbury) Services Ltd. at Long. 172 deg. 38 min. 10.8 sec E, Lat. 44 deg. 11 min, 16.94 sec S, south of Banks Peninsula, in July 1975, using the 'Glomar Tasman'.

The New Zealand Geological Survey examined and reported on the microfossils from cuttings during drilling so as to provide day to day information on progress. This report summarises the information from all the cuttings and sidewall samples examined.

N. de B. Hornibrook dealt with the foraminifera, assisted by Dr C.P. Strong, Mr A. Trask and Miss E.D. Souter. Dr A.G. Beu provided notes on the mollusca. J.I. Raine, and G.T. Wilson, assisted by Miss Y. Crosbie, dealt with the palynofloras and dinoflagellates.

No samples were taken above 380 m. All foraminiferal samples were washed over a 200 mesh sieve.

Ages are given in New Zealand Stages (Table 1).

Ed. Note

Geographical co-ordinates of Resolution-1 are:

Latitude:  $44^{\circ} 11' 16.20''$  S  
Longitude:  $172^{\circ} 36' 09.69''$  E

Foraminifera. (N. de B. Hornibrook) (See log sheets 1-10 in pocket).

395 m - 445? m

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Foraminifera: Haeuserella parri, H. finlavi, Siphonotextularia mestayeri, Robulus calcar, Pseudopolymorpha sp., Pseudonodosaria aperta, Quinqueloculina sp., Biloculina sp., Bulimina aculeata, Bolivina wanganuiensis, B. parri s.l., Bolivinita pliozea, Euvigerina pliozea, Rectobolivina striatula, Cassidulina carinata, Nonionellina flemingi, Astrononion parki, Anomalinoides parvumbilia, Notorotalia zelandica (abundant), N. finlayi, Cibicides deliquatus.

This general assemblage is characteristic of the Nukumaruian Stage in a fairly shallow water environment (less than 50 m?).

Mollusca (395-400 m by A.G. Beu); notes from fragments.

Bivalvia: Chlamys sp., interspace between 1 pr. of ribs only, large specimen originally - indet.

?Lima sp., ribbing like waipipiensis group.

Nemocardium (Pratulum) pulchellum (Gray), frags abundant definitely coarser than quinarium, i.e. post-Wp.

?Dosina sp. - shell and hinge frags of a large venerid common, prominent thin concentric ribs.

Gastropoda: Zeacolpus (Stiracolpus) symmetricus (Hutton), several; one a fairly complete juvenile. Agree with Marwick's figs. closely. Age is "Waitotaran" to Hawera in North Canterbury (probably Wp-H).

Barnacle plates abundant (mostly broken but fresh), echinoid spines and plates sparse, bryozoans sparse.

Age: Wm-H or younger; a Nukumaruian age seems quite compatible. Chlamys is just as likely to be gummulata as delicatula.

445 m - 640 m

Foraminifera: Haueslerella morgani, Quinqueloculina sp.\* , Biloculina sp.\* , Robulus calcar, Bulimina aculeata, Euvigerina pliozea, Nonionellina flemingi, Bolivinita pliozea, Astrononion parki, Sphaeroidini bulloides, Bolivina fyfei (595-600 m), Notorotalia finlayi\*, N. kingmai, N. taranakia, N. hurupiensis (595-600 m), N. zelandica\*, Cibicides molestus (common), C. deliquatus.

\* Species with an asterisk are considered contamination.

The Notorotalia assemblage, together with Cibicides molestus, indicates Waipipian or Opoitian age; there seems no way of being certain of which in this very shallow water facies. The Mangapanian is apparently missing.

640 m - 700 m

Only a few foraminifera, of the same species as occur in the overlying interval were found. The cuttings are mainly shell grit and indicative of a very shallow, nearly littoral facies, probably lacking autochthonous foraminifera.

700 m - 1220 m

Textularia miozea indicating Tongaporutuan age is in cuttings from 700-710 m, accompanied by a shallow water, inner shelf assemblage: Quinqueloculina sp., Biloculina sp., Pyrgo sp., Robulus calcar, Euvigerina costata sp., Nonioncollina flemingi, Cornuspira sp. and Notorotalia pristina (large and abundant).

Below this level the microfaunas indicate a steadily increasing depth of deposition. Planktonics are scarce at 790-800 m (only a few Globigerina bulloides and G. decoraverta) and they gradually increase in numbers downwards. The first Globorotalias occur between 1100 and 1200 m and gradually increase in numbers, suggesting a transition from depths equivalent to a mid shelf to an outer shelf location. The numbers of species of benthic foraminifera increase downwards. Globorotalia miozea s.l. appears fairly commonly at around 1200 m and is suggestive of depths equivalent to at least an outer shelf location. The total assemblage of the interval is as follows: Haeuslerella morgani, Textularia miozea, Siphotextularia subcylindrica, Martinottiella communis, Karreriella cylindrica, K. bradyi (1100-1110 m), Cyclammina medwensis (1140-1150 m), Sigmoilopsis schlumbergeri (1140-1150 m), Robulus calcar, R. loculosus, R. echinatus, Lenticulina mamilligera, Saracenaria italica, Amphicoryne hirsuta, Dentalina spp., Nodosaria spp., Vaginulinopsis recta, Lingulina avellanooides, Bolivina lapsus, B. affiliata, E. barnwelli, B. albatrossi, B. watti, Rectobolivina maoria, Bolivinita pohana (990-1000 m), B. quadrilatera (1100-1110 m), Euvigerina rodleyi, E. aff. paeniteres, E. hispid sp., Siphovigerina eketahuna, Plectofrondicularia pohana, Ehrenbergina osbornei, Evolvccassidulina orientalis, Cassidulina carinata, Bulimina cf. aculeata, Astrononion parki, Notorotalia taranakia, N. hurupiensis, N. pristina, Anomalinoides parvumbilia, A. sphericus, A. subnonionoides,

A. miosuturalis, A. vitrinodus, Gyroidinoides zelandicus,  
G. altispira, Fullenia bulloides, Hoeglundina elegans,  
Laticarinina pauperata, Siphonina australis, Cibicides  
molestus, C. deliquatus, C. thiaracuta, C. finlavi,  
C. amoenus, C. robertsonianus, Globigerina decoraperta,  
G. bulloides, Globorotalia mayeri continuosa (1100-1110),  
G. miozea s.l. (1140-1150 m).

## 1220 m - 1237 m

The foraminifera of this interval differ from those of the basal part of the overlying interval only in the presence of Globorotalia mayeri mayeri (SWS 1225 m) which is diagnostic of Waiauan age.

## 1237 m - 1300 m

The side wall sample at 1247 m is strongly glauconitic and contains the following assemblage: Haeuslerella pukeuriensis, Karreriella cushmani, K. bradyi, Sigmaoilopsis schlumbergeri, Martinottiella communis, Robulus foliatus, R. coloratus, Nodosaria spp., Lingulina bartrumi, Globocassidulina cuneata, Trifarina bradyi, Euuvigerina miozea, Melonis maorica, Gyroidinoides neosoldanii, Anomalinoides macrae-labra, A. vitrinoda, Cibicides perforatus, C. semithiara, C. molestus, Globigerina woodi, Globorotalia barisanensis, G. miozea, G. praescitula, Orbulina suturalis (early form). It is lower Lillburnian, probably not very different in depositional environment from the overlying upper Waiauan. Most of the Waiauan and Lillburnian are either missing or highly condensed in this glauconitic sequence.

Cuttings from 1265 - 1270 m contain a very similar assemblage to those above but have Globigerinoides glomerosus, indicating Clifdenian age.

The side wall sample at 1285 m contains the same general assemblage plus Hanzawaia turgida, but without G. glomerosus. Cuttings from 1295 - 1300 m also have the same fauna, plus Notorotalia wilsoni and two specimens of G. glomerosus, considered to be from cavings. The interval between 1265 m and 1285 m is therefore assigned an Altonian age.

The abundance of planktonic foraminifera, together with the benthic assemblage, indicates a depth of deposition equivalent to at least outer shelf.

The underlying limestone is Lower Whaingaroan age and separated from the Altonian by a considerable age gap with no sediments of Upper Whaingaroan to Otaian age (about 10 m.y.), i.e. the equivalent of the Kokoamu Greensand, Otekaike and Weka Pass Stone and Gee Greensand or Lower Grey Marls are missing.

## 1300 m - 1330 m

Six side wall samples from white chalky limestone in this interval contain a foraminiferal assemblage of Lower Whaingaroan age (*G. angiporoides angiporoides* - Zone of Jenkins) including: *Arenodosaria antipoda*, *Karreriella bradyi*, *Vulvulina granulosa*, *Bolivinopsis cubensis*, *Vaginulinopsis hochstetteri*, *Rectuvigerina striatissima*, *Melonis maorica*, *Sphaeroidina bulloides*, *Globocassidulina cf. subglobosa*, *Fulleria quinqueloba*, *Anomalinooides orbiculus*, *Cibicides collinsi*, *C. cf. perforatus*, *C. robertsonianus*, *C. novozelandicus*, *Rotoliatina sulcigera*, *Chiloguembelina cubensis*, and abundant *Globigerina angiporoides*. The depositional environment of this limestone was probably fairly deep, equivalent to outer shelf or beyond. It can be correlated with the Amberley Limestone of North Canterbury and the MacDonald Limestone of North Otago.

## 1330 m - 1380 m

The side wall samples at 1332 m contain the following foraminifera of Runangan age: *Bathysiphon* sp., *Textularia cuspis*, *Schenkiella levis*, *Vaginulinopsis hochstetteri*, *Bolivina pontis*, *Euuvigerina bortotara*, *Rectuvigerina postprandia*, *Globocassidulina cf. subglobosa*, *Oridorsalis umbonatus*, *Cibicides cf. perforatus*, *C. parki*, *Globanomalina micra*, *Globigerina angiporoides*, and *Globigerapsis index*. The Runangan index sp. *Bolivina pontis* was not found in the side wall sample at 1335 m which contains additionally, *Candeina zeocenica* and *Globanomalina micra* and is either Runangan or Kaiatan age.

The side wall sample at 1338 m is considered to be Kaiatan age principally because it contains *Sphaeroidina variabilis* and *Gaudrvina reussi* and the following assemblage: *Arenodosaria antipoda*, *Cyclammina incisa*, *Ammodiscus incertus*, *Plectofrondicularia whaingaroica*, *Bulimina truncatella*, *Euuvigerina bortotara*, *Cibicides parki*, *C. semithiara*, *Anomalinooides orbiculus*, *Globorotalia aculeata*, *G. nana*, *Globigerina angiporoides minima*, *G. linaberta*, *Globigerapsis index*. The typically Kaiatan species, *Bolivina cf. moodyensis* occurs in the next side wall sample at 1348 m. The underlying interval down to the first appearance of Bortonian species is correlated with the Kaiatan.

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Planktonic species are small and not particularly abundant and the benthic assemblage suggests a depth of deposition equivalent to about outer shelf.

1380 m - 1415 m

The side wall core at 1380 m yielded the following Upper Bortonian microfauna: Bathysiphon sp., Cyclammina incisa, Robulus hampdenensis, Nodosaria spp., Guttulina sp., Vaginulinopsis hochstetteri, Plectofrondicularia whaingaroica, Euuvigerina bortotara, Rectuvigerina prisca, Bulimina bortonica, B. pupula, Anomalinoides semiteres, Cibicides parki, C. hamdenensis, Pseudoglobotruncina primitiva, Truncorotaloides collactea, Globigerina linaperta, Globigerapsis index, Zeauvigerina zelandica, Z. parri. The Bortonian index species Gaudryina proreussi appears in cuttings from 1380-1385 m and remains common thereafter. The Bortonian species Plectina aggressior is present in cuttings from 1400-1405 m and 1410-1415 m (with Marginulinopsis spinobesa). Lower Bortonian, with Euuvigerina wanzea, is present between 1396 m and 1415 m but Porangan is either missing or unrecognized.

1415 m - 1465 m

Cuttings from this interval contain mostly Bortonian foraminifera from cavings but the appearance of Elphidium hampdenense in a sample from 1410-1415 m definitely indicates Heretaungan age. Elphidium hampdenense is also present in side wall samples from 1428 m and 1443 m, and Globorotalia crater (Dm-Dh) is also present at 1443 m. Below 1443 m the age was not able to be determined exactly. The side wall sample at 1450 m is mostly drilling mud with minor glauconite. Calcareous foraminifera become progressively less common and the side wall sample from 1462.5 m contains an assemblage of agglutinated foraminifera, indicative of shallow water but undiagnostic of age.

1465 m - 1490 m

The side wall sample from 1474.5 m is a non-calcareous glauconitic sandstone containing a shallow water assemblage of agglutinated foraminifera. The association of Bolivinopsis compta and B. spectabilis indicates Teurian age and correlation with the Waipara Greensand.

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1490 m - 1675 m

The white quartzose sands in this interval yielded no foraminifera and are either non-marine or very marginally marine.

1675 m - 1900 m

Only the following three species of foraminifera found in the cuttings from this interval are autochthonous: Cyclammina elegans, Gaudryina healyi and Bathysiphon sp. Gaudryina healyi is diagnostic of Haumurian age and occurs only in cuttings from 1695-1700 m.

This assemblage is typical of shallow facies of Haumurian age, the same species being present in the Haumurian Laidmore Formation (Saurian Sands) in North Canterbury.

Palynology (J.I.Raine & G.J.Wilson)

Three side-wall cores were prepared for palynological Study: after careful washing and scraping to remove drilling mud, a standard HF/HCl/floatation/Schulze oxidation technique was used, residues being mounted in glycerine jelly.

The best preserved microflora was obtained from 1740m (L7130), the sample from 1685 m (L7129) was slightly more poorly preserved, while the highest sample, from 1478 m (L7128) was very poor. It is not clear whether this variation in preservation is due to pre-depositional corrosion or diagenesis: in all three samples miospores and microplankton are yellow-brown or brown in colour.

Miospores and microplankton are listed in Table 2. Reference sections for miospore material of this age are the Waipara River, Waipawa and Te Uri Stream sections studied by Couper (1960) in N.Z.Geological Survey Pal.Bull.32.

Side-wall core 1478 m (L7128)

This sample yielded a very poor assemblage which differed markedly from the lower two samples in the presence of Nothofagus waipawaensis and Trriorites minor. T.minor is a long-ranging form which appears to be more frequent in the Dannevirke Series than in the Haumurian, while the former species has been regarded as a Teurian index form, with apparently consistent results.

The sparse dinoflagellate cysts in this sample are not diagnostic.

Side-wall core 1685 m (L7129)

The miospore assemblage from this sample closely resembles that from 1740 m. Although fewer stratigraphically useful species were recorded, the occurrence together of Nothofagus Kaitangata and Caryophyllidites polvoratus, together with the absence of Trriorites harrisii and Myrtaceae suggests a Haumurian age.

The association of Deflandrea acutula and Cribroperidinium cf. edwardsi indicate a Maastrichtian age and the presence of predominantly Danian form, Cassidium fragilis, confirms an age very close the the Mh/Dt boundary.

Side-wall core 1740m (L7130)

This sample contained a microflora of miospores and dinoflagellate cysts dominated by Microcachryidites antarcticus, Phyllocladidites mawsonii, Nothofagus Kaitangata, Tricolpites spp., lycopods, and the dinoflagellate Deflandrea cretacea.

The assemblage is not younger than Haumurian on the basis of Camarozonosporites ohaiensis, Nothofagus Kaitangata and Tricolpites lilliei, and the absence of Tertiary forms such as Haloragacidites harrisii and Myrtaceae. The presence of abundant Proteacidites and Tricolpites spp. and the forms of Proteacidites parvus and Caryophyllidites polvoratus which appear in the Haumurian of the Waipara section and range into the Tertiary, suggest a Haumurian age for the sample. Tricolpites waiparaensis was recorded by Couper in the Waipara section only in the upper part of the 'Saurian Sands', and the assemblage is in general very similar to those from this formation.

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The association of the dinoflagellates Deflandrea cretacea and Cribroperidinium cf. edwardsi indicate a late Senonian age (probably Mh) and both species have been reported from the uppermost Cretaceous of the Campbell Plateau.

TABLE 1 NEW ZEALAND CRETACEOUS AND TERTIARY SERIES AND STAGES.

SERIES	STAGES	MAP SYMBOL	INTERNATIONAL
Hawera			
Wanganui	Putikian	Castlecliffian	Quaternary L
	Okehuan		
	Marahauan		E
	Hautawan	Nukumaruian	
	Mangapanian		L
	Waipipian	Waitotaran	M
Taranaki	Opoitian		E
	Kapitean	Tk-	
Southland	Tongaporutuan	Tt	L
	Waiauan	Sw	
	Lillburnian	Sl	M
	Clifdenian	Sc	
Pareora	Altonian	Pi	
	Otaian	Po	E
Landon	Waitakian	Lw	
	Duntroonian	Ld	
	Whaingaroan	Lwh	Oligocene
Arnold	Ruangan	Ar	
	Kaiatan	Ak	L
Dannevirke	Bortonian	Ab	
	Porangan	Dp	M
	Heretaungan	Dh	
	Mangaorapan	Dm	E
	Waipawan	Dw	
	Teurian	Dt	Paleocene
Mata	Haumurian	<i>Inoceramus matotorus</i>	Maastrichtian
Raukumara	Piripauan	<i>I. australis, pacificus</i>	Campanian
	Teralan	<i>I. nukeus, opetius</i>	Santonian
	Mangaotanean	<i>I. bicorrugatus</i>	Coniacian
	Arowhanan	<i>I. rangitira</i>	Turonian
Clarence	Ngaterian	<i>I. fyfei, tawhanus, hakarius</i>	Cenomanian
	Motuan	<i>I. ipuanus, urius</i>	Albian
	Urutawan	<i>I. kapuus</i>	
	Korangan	<i>Maccoyella</i>	Aptian

TABLE 2, Taxonomic list for Palynologic Samples

BRYOPHYTA:	1740m	1685m	1478m
	L7130	L7129	L7128

<u>Annulispora</u> sp.	x		
<u>Cingutriletes clavus</u> (Balme) Dettm.	x		
<u>Stereisporites cf. antiquasporites</u> (Wilson & Webster) Dettm.	x		
<u>Stereisporites</u> sp	x		

## PTERIDOPHYTA:

<u>Baculatisporites comaumensis</u> (Cooks.) Pot.	x	x	
<u>Blechnum</u> sp.	x	x	
<u>Camaroconosporites ohaensis</u> (Couper) Dettn. & Playford	x		
<u>Ceratosporites cf. equalis</u> Cooks. & Dettm.	x	x	
<u>Cyathidites minor</u> Couper		x	
<u>Ischyosporites gremius</u> Stover		x	
<u>Lycopodiacidites</u> sp.	x		
<u>Lycopodiumsporites</u> sp.A	x	x	
<u>Lycopodiumsporites</u> sp.B		x	
<u>Osmundaciliates</u> sp.	x		
<u>Dictyophyllidites concavus</u> Harris	x		
<u>Gleicheniidites cf. circinidites</u> (Cooks.) Dettm.	x		

## GYMNOSPERMAE:

<u>Cupressaceae</u>	x	x	
<u>Dacrydium</u> sp.	x	x	
<u>Phyllocladiidites mawsonii</u> Cooks.	x	x	
<u>Microcachrytidites antarcticus</u> Cooks.	x	x	x
<u>Podocarpidites cf. marwickii</u> Couper	x		x
<u>Podocarpidites</u> spp.	x	x	x
<u>Zonalanollenites</u> sp.	x		

## ANGIOSPERMAE:

<u>Caryophyllidites polyoratus</u> Couper	x	x	
<u>Liliacidites</u> spp.	x		
<u>Nothofagus kaitangata</u> Te Punga	x	x	
<u>N.waiapensis</u> Couper			x
<u>Proteacidites minimus</u> Couper	x	x	
<u>P.parvus</u> Cooks.	x	x	
<u>P.subpalisadus</u> Couper.	x	x	
<u>P.cf. subscabratu</u> s Couper	x		
<u>Proteacidites</u> sp. D	x	x	
<u>Proteacidites</u> sp. indet.	x		x
<u>cf. Tetracolporites sphericus</u> Couper	x		
<u>Tricolpites gillii</u> Cooks.	x	x	x
<u>T.lilliei</u> Couper	x		
<u>T.waiaparaensis</u> Couper	x		
<u>Tricolpites</u> spp.	x	x	
<u>Tricolporites</u> sp.	x		x
<u>Triorites</u> cf <u>fragilis</u> Couper	x		
<u>T.minor</u> Couper			x

## DINOPHYCEAE:

<u>Cassidium fragilis</u> (Harris) Drugg	x		
<u>Cleistosphaeridium</u> sp.1			x
<u>Clesitosphaeridium</u> sp.2			x
<u>Cribroperidinium</u> cf. <u>edwardsii</u> (Cooks. & Eis.)	x	x	
Davey			
<u>Deflandrea acutula</u> Wilson			x
<u>Deflandrea cretacea</u> Cookson			x
<u>Deflandrea</u> sp.	x		
<u>Spiniferites cingulatus</u> (O.Wetz.) Sarjeant	-	-	

APPENDIX 5.

PETROLOGY

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RESOLUTION I. PETROLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF CUTTINGS 1900m-1958m

1910m Chips of siltstone scarce. The bulk of the sample consists of loose grains and small aggregates of rounded quartz. Radiating, fibrous aggregates of the zeolite thomsonite, are plentiful. Heavy minerals are rare and no igneous fragments were noted.

1910-1920m. Sedimentary chips and grains are similar to 1910m, and make up approximately 80 percent of the sample. However, some of the quartz grains could come from a coarse-grained igneous rock, and chips of a plagioclase-quartz-titanaugite-aegerine rock were noted. Heavy minerals include titanaugite, biotite, magnetite, ilmenite and aegerine. Among the chips were scarce fragments of a black, glassy rock containing white spherules which may represent the chilled margin of an intrusion.

1925m. Almost all chips are of a medium-grained, black and white speckled igneous rock. Heavy minerals are predominantly titanaugite and ilmenite, with rarer biotite and aegerine. Quartz is a constituent of most chips, and the rock could probably be termed a quartz syenite (see later for description of similar rock from the core).

1930-1958m. Cuttings were examined at 5m intervals to a depth of 1955m, and a final sample from 1958m. In all samples, the black and white, medium-grained igneous rock was the main constituent. A larger proportion of sedimentary fragments at 1940m probably represents down-hole contamination. In the igneous rock fragments, there is a slight tendency for quartz to decrease and titan-augite to increase with depth.

RESOLUTION I. PETROLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF SIDEWALL CORES, 1877.5m

& 1908.5m.

1877.5m Heavily pyritised black siltstone. Spherules of pyrite suggest that some is biogenic. The siltstone is crossed by a

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1.5mm wide vein of a crystalline white material that was identified by optical and X-ray means as dolomitic carbonate. The material effervesces slightly in fairly concentrated acid.

1908.5m. Quartzose siltstone containing abundant radiating aggregates of the zeolite thomsonite. Aggregates reach several mm in diameter. The siltstone is not indurated, and thin sections could not be made without vacuum impregnation equipment not available at present. However, grain mounts will be made available shortly.

The presence of the vein of crystalline carbonate, and the abundant zeolite in the cuttings and sidewall cores suggest that contact effects from the intrusion extended at least 34m from the intrusion. From observations of similar contact effects near teschenite intrusions on land (Marlborough coast), the intrusion is possibly several hundred feet thick.

RESOLUTION I. PETROLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF THE CORE, 1958.2-1963.05m

<u>Depth (m)</u>	<u>Rock Type</u>
1958.2	Quartz syenogabbro
1958.5	Olivine teschenite
1958.9	Teschenite (very minor olivine)
1959.2	Olivine teschenite (cf Transition rock, Acheron)
1959.3	Leucoteschenite
1959.45	Teschenite (very minor olivine)
1959.75	Leucoteschenite
1960.3	Teschenite (rather alkaline, very minor olivine)
1960.6	Leucoteschenite (highly alkaline)
1962.3	Teschenite (very minor olivine)
1962.5	Olivine leucoteschenite (very minor titaraugite)
1962.8	Olivine teschenite (cf 1959.2m)
1963.05	Olivine Leucoteschenite.

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Quartz syenogabbro 1958.2m

A coarse-grained mesocratic rock with granular and sub-ophitic titanaugite locally rimmed with green aegerine augite. The plagioclase is strongly zoned from labradorite to sodic oligoclase, and is often rimmed by anorthoclase. Ilmenite is abundant, in large, probably late-phase, grains. Fine-grained patches of quartz, green biotite, apatite and chlorite are developed locally.

This rock bears very strong similarities to the quartz syenogabbro of the Acheron Outlier, Canterbury.

Olivine teschenite 1958.5m, 1959.2m, 1962.8m

Medium-grained, mesocratic rocks containing abundant large crystals of titanaugite ophitically enclosing olivine and plagioclase. The titanaugite is locally replaced by Ti-hornblende (kaersutite) at edges. Olivine (hortonolite) is a prominent constituent of these rocks, and is more or less altered to dark green and brown alteration products, and is sometimes completely replaced by talc and granular magnetite. Plagioclase is strongly zoned labradorite to oligoclase, and sometimes rimmed by anorthoclase. Analcite is plentiful, both as patches in the groundmass, and as a replacement for feldspar. Zeolite (thomsonite) is also present as veins and patches, and bright red-brown biotite (Ti-rich), apatite, chlorite and ilmenite are plentiful accessories.

The rocks are generally similar to the olivine teschenite of the Acheron Outlier.

Olivine leucoteschenite 1962.5m, 1963.05m

Medium-grained leucocratic rocks, generally similar to the olivine teschenites except for a greatly decreased titanaugite content. The titanaugite that is present tends to occur as relatively small grains, rather than the large ophitic plates found in the olivine teschenites. Olivine is also less altered in the olivine leucoteschenites.

Teschenite 1958.9m, 1959.45m, 1960.3m, 1962.3m.

Medium-grained mesocratic rocks containing large ophitic grains of titanaugite, which sometimes shows exsolution platelets of ? ilmenite. The plagioclase, partially replaced by analcrite, is zoned labradorite to oligoclase, and rimmed by anorthoclase. Analcite is plentiful in the groundmass, and zeolite (thomsonite) is also present in a couple of rocks. Apatite, ilmenite, biotite and olivine are accessories.

The rocks are very similar to teschenites from the Acheron Outlier.

Leucoteschenite 1959.3m, 1959.75m, 1960.6m.

Medium to coarse-grained leucocratic rocks in which titanaugite is a very minor constituent. Most of the rock consists of plagioclase, strongly zoned from sodic labradorite to sodic oligoclase and usually having a fairly wide rim of anorthoclase. Analcite, partially replacing feldspar, and zeolite are plentiful. Coarse-grained apatite and ilmenite are common accessories.

#### Summary

These rocks are teschenitic, and in a general way may be compared to rocks in the sills and laccoliths that intrude the Piripauan (Upper Cretaceous) Coal Measures in the Acheron Outlier near Lake Coleridge, Canterbury.

However, there is no major differentiation trend shown over the comparatively small depth represented by the core, and thus, no close comparison can be made with the differentiated Acheron laccoliths. Perhaps the most significant rock is the quartz syenogabbro at the top of the core, and the quartz-bearing chips from cuttings above this. The quartz syenogabbro is similar to rocks that occur towards the top of the laccoliths in the Acheron, and it may be that the Resolution I body has differentiated in a similar manner. If this is so, the hole possibly penetrated about half the total thickness of the intrusion. The possibility that the intrusion is a fairly thick one is supported by the wide zone of contact metamorphism mentioned earlier.

RESOLUTION 1. GRAIN MOUNTS FROM CUTTINGS 1299.0-1797.5

1299.0m. Approximately 50 percent of the grains are of carbonate, mainly fragments of shells and micro fossils. Glauconite makes up about 20 percent and quartz is the most abundant detrital mineral. The quartz grains are moderately well rounded, clouded and pitted, and show undulose extinction in many grains. Their appearance is consistant with derivation from an igneous or metamorphic source. Other detrital minerals present are microcline (sericitised), muscovite, hematite, chlorite, zircon, and augite (one grain). There are very rare fragments of a zeolitized volcanic glass (heulandite-clinoptilolite).

1306.5m. Carbonate is just sub-equal to glauconite in this sample. Both make up nearly 75 percent of the sample. Quartz is slightly more abundant than at 1299.0m, and feldspar and clay minerals are more prominent. Some quartz is rounded, but much is angular, and there are a few grains of a quartz-rich, medium-grained igneous rock. There is a small amount of highly sericitized feldspar, a few grains of titanaugite, and rare fragments of pinkish heulandite or clinoptilolite, probably formed from volcanic glass.

1328.0m. A very fine-grained sediment composed of over 50 percent carbonate grains (mainly organic), with about 45 percent quartz a little glauconite, feldspar, and rare titanaugite, apatite, diopside, magnetite and pyrite. Quartz grains are rounded, whereas feldspars and ferromagnesian minerals are angular. There is a tuffaceous content of about 2 percent, and some zeolitized (heulandite) volcanic glass.

1480.0m. A highly tuffaceous, fine-grained sediment consisting of angular shards of devitrified volcanic glass (palagonite and celadonite), with numerous perfect cubes and octahedra of magnetite and pyrite. There are rare fragments of feldspar, and some brownish-green augite. This is a basaltic tuff. Scarce grains of carbonate and glauconite probably represent contamination.

1546.5m. A fine silt-size sediment. Approximately 80 percent is well-rounded quartz grains, and fragments of quartz-rich metamorphic rocks. Feldspar grains (albite and microcline) make up most of the remainder, with scarce grains of magnetite, pyrite and carbonate. There are a few fragments of zeolitized volcanic glass.

1562.0m. Fine-grained sediment composed of about 50 percent moderately-rounded to sub-angular quartz grains, organic carbonate, devitrified volcanic glass, magnetite and rare epidote and glauconite.

1567.5m. A very fine-grained sediment with about 50 percent well-rounded to sub-angular quartz grains, 30 percent organic carbonate and the remainder composed of feldspar, magnetite, pyrite, zircon and a few fragments of palagonite tuff (?contamination).

1610.0m. Silt-size sediment very similar to 1546.5m except that well-rounded quartz grains make up at least 90 percent of the sample. Organic carbonate fragments and zeolitized volcanic glass (heulandite-clinoptilolite) make up the rest of the sample. Rare zircon present.

1668.0m. Very similar to 1610.0m, with the addition of about 1 percent pyrite and hydrated iron oxides.

1758.5m. Similar to 1610.0m and 1668.0m except for a slight increase in the amount of zeolitized volcanic glass.

1776.0m. Again very similar to the three preceding samples, with the addition of a small amount of tuffaceous material (percent) in the form of titanaugite, magnetite, apatite and feldspar. ?Contamination.

1797.5m. Silt-grade sediment generally similar to 1610-1776m, but with higher content of sericitized feldspar, hydrated iron oxides, zircon, epidote, magnetite, and fine-grained rock fragments. The sediment from this depth appears to be rather less mature than those above.

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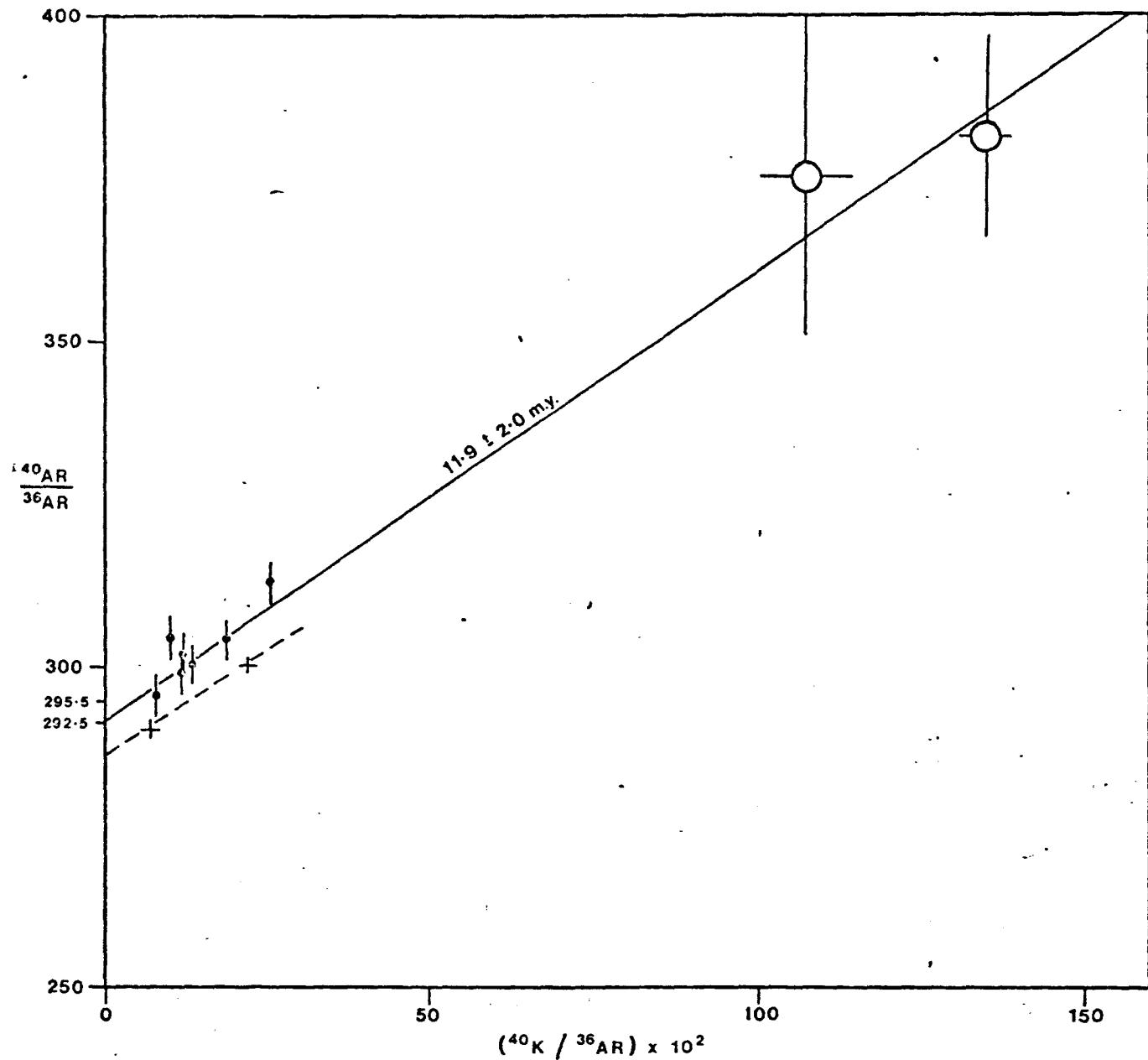
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APPENDIX 6.

RADIOMETRIC DATINGS

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POTASSIUM/ARGON AGE DATING OF  
TESCHENITE TERMINAL CORE  
1958-1963 m. brt - RESOLUTION-1

POTASSIUM/ARGON AGE DATING OF  
 TESCHENITE TERMINAL CORE  
 1958-1963 m. brt - RESOLUTION-1

INS. No. <sup>1</sup>	Depth (metres)	K %	$^{40}\text{Ar}/^{36}\text{Ar}$	$^{40}\text{K}/^{36}\text{Ar} \times 10^2$	$^{40}\text{Ar}(\text{rad}) \text{ nl/gm}$	* $^{40}\text{Ar}(\text{rad}) \text{ z total}$	* Age m.y.
R3789TR/1 )	1958.71	0.948	303.6	107.2	0.457	2	12 <sub>-4</sub>
) /2 )	to	0.948	298.9	122.4	0.159	0.3	4 <sub>+10</sub>
) /3 )		0.948	299.9	126.4	0.202	0.3	5 <sub>+13</sub>
R3789tr/1 )	1958.75	0.852	301.8	120.6	0.286	-	8 <sub>-4</sub>
) /2 )	m	0.852	303.9	187.2	0.244	2	7 <sub>+3</sub>
R3789cpx/1		0.197	300.3	222.5	0.026	3	3 <sub>+1</sub>
R3790TR/1	1962.21 to 0.774		294.8	83.2	-0.060	-2 :	-2 <sub>+6</sub>
	1962.25 m						
R3791cpx/1	1958.20 to 0.846		290.9	70.1	-0.412	-3	-12 <sub>+8</sub>
	1958.25 m						
R3792tr/1 )	1958.85	0.863	368.9	140.1	0.301	20	9 <sub>+2</sub>
) /2 )	to	0.863	313.2	255.0	0.393	5	11 <sub>+2</sub>
R3792bi/1 )	1958.95	4.764	375.3	1080.0	2.336	27	12 <sub>+4</sub>
) /2 )	m	4.257	380.6	1355.0	1.775	24	10 <sub>+1</sub>

1: TR = Total rock powder - 420 + 210u, tr = total rock chips  
 5 mm cube, cpx = pyrozene - 420 + 210u, bi = biotite - 420 + 210u.

2: Decay constants etc. are given in NZ K-Ar Age List, NZJGG 18 (1975).

\* The  $^{40}\text{Ar}$  (radiogenic) concentrations, the 'atmospheric' argon contents and ages are calculated by making the conventional assumption that the non-radiogenic argon in these rocks is of present-day atmospheric argon composition. Since these rocks have exceptionally low radiogenic argon contents the ages and errors are extremely sensitive to any departures from this assumption. To avoid this problem the isochron presentation is preferred and the age derived by this method is not dependent upon this assumption although the error on the age remains rather large. I would prefer you to quote the isochron age rather than the conventional ages listed in the table which are obviously calculated under invalid assumptions.

Note: For qualifying remarks, see attached letter to Dr. P.J. Hill dated 4 December 1975.

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DEPARTMENT OF SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH  
THE INSTITUTE OF NUCLEAR SCIENCES

PRIVATE BAG, LOWER HUTT

4 December 1975

Dr P. Hill,  
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Dear Peter,

Attached you will find the K-Ar dating results for the teschenite samples at the base of the Resolution No. 1 borehole. As I mentioned to you in September, these samples had extremely high concentrations of 'atmospheric' argon which almost obliterated the tiny amounts of radiogenic argon which is produced by the radioactive decay of  $^{40}\text{K}$ . To measure this type of argon mixture, it is essential to calibrate the mass spectrometers very carefully so that we know how accurately our instruments can measure a particular isotope ratio. For this reason I have spent the last 2-3 months doing calibration measurements at the same time as dating several groups of young volcanic rocks, including your Resolution No. 1 rocks. I am now quite sure we can achieve consistent isotope ratio measurements over periods of months, and accordingly I am confident of our latest batch of results.

Despite the accuracy of the analytical measurements, dating young volcanic rocks always suffers from the severe interference problem of atmospheric argon in these rocks. Put simply, when we extract argon from such rocks about 95% is not radiogenic but was incorporated in the rock when it solidified. Most people assume that such argon is from the atmosphere and must therefore have an atmospheric argon composition similar to the present day. Since we know the  $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{36}\text{Ar}$  ratio in the atmosphere we can measure the  $^{36}\text{Ar}$  in the rock and hence calculate the corresponding amount of  $^{40}\text{Ar}$  in the rock and subtract this from the total  $^{40}\text{Ar}$  that we measure on the mass spectrometer. The remaining quantity,  $^{40}\text{Ar}$  (radiogenic), is used to calculate the age but has a very high error because one is measuring a small difference between two large quantities.

In recent years, we have found also that the non-radiogenic or so-called 'atmospheric' argon need not necessarily be of exact atmospheric composition, and of course this incorrect assumption then leads to spurious ages. We therefore adopt the 'isochron' presentation of results used by Rb-Sr dating, in which  $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{36}\text{Ar}$  is plotted against  $^{40}\text{K}/^{36}\text{Ar}$ . From this we

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can measure the age, which is proportional to the isochron slope, and the argon isotopic composition of the non-radiogenic argon in the rocks which is the isochron intercept, I have done this for the Resolution No. 1 samples and they indicate an age for the teschenite of about  $12 \pm 2$  m.y. and the 'initial' argon is very close (292.5) to atmospheric argon (295.5). These are the most reliable ages for the teschenite which I would prefer you to quote. Two clinopyroxenes separated from the teschenite may fall on a different isochron line, yielding the same age, but a slight lower 'initial'  $^{40}\text{Ar}/^{36}\text{Ar}$  ratio. As you can see from the error estimates of the data, the ages/these rocks have a very large error themselves and this is an unavoidable consequence of the intrinsically high non-radiogenic argon concentrations. I suspect this in itself is related to the high analcrite/zeolite content which I think 'soaks' up a tremendous amount of gas during solidification of the rocks. You might know that artificial varieties of these minerals are used in the chemical industry as molecular sieves for selective gas absorption.

I hope you find the results useful and I must apologise for the long delay in getting your results to you. However, you will appreciate that this was the first time we have dated rocks like this, and we had to make absolutely sure of our calibration before handing the results out! The next time should get the results out very quickly.

Yours sincerely,

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for Director

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APPENDIX 7.

MAGNETIC SUSCEPTIBILITY

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MAGNETIC SUSCEPTIBILITY

The D.S.I.R. (Geophysics Division) were asked if they could provide an estimate of the size, shape and thickness of the teschenite body. They were provided with two pieces of core and the magnetic anomaly map produced by Fisher (1975). Using magnetic modelling programmes developed at the D.S.I.R., a number of different fits to the magnetic anomaly profile were obtained. The report from the D.S.I.R. is given below, together with a set of curves showing the fit of the model to the actual profile.

"The magnetic parameters of the two teschenite samples from Resolution-1 were measured and are listed below.

Sample	Geophys. Cat.No.	Depth (m)	Remanent Magnetisation (A/m)	Volume Susceptibility (SI)
1	7766	1958	9.840 (i.e. $9.840_{10}^{-3}$ emu)	$5.52_{10}^{-2}$ (i.e. $4.39_{10}^{-3}$ emu)
2	7767	1962	$5.918_{10}^{-3}$ emu)	$4.27_{10}^{-2}$ (i.e. $4.39_{10}^{-3}$ emu)

Using a mean remanent magnetisation of 7.900 A/m and a mean susceptibility of  $4.89_{10}^{-2}$  (SI), giving a total magnetisation of 10.2 A/m, a number of magnetic profiles were calculated for various vertical cylindrical bodies of depth 1902 metres below sea level.

The profiles were calculated across the steepest gradient of the anomaly (i.e. NW to SE) and a graph of the profiles is enclosed for your information.\* From the profiles, it appears that at that depth the anomaly produced is more volume dependent than shape, the probable volume of the body being about  $3 \times 10^8$  m<sup>3</sup>.

In conclusion, I would say that though the above is apparent I would tend to favour a sill-like body of dimensions 1200 m - 1500 m radius and of thickness 55 - 75 metres."

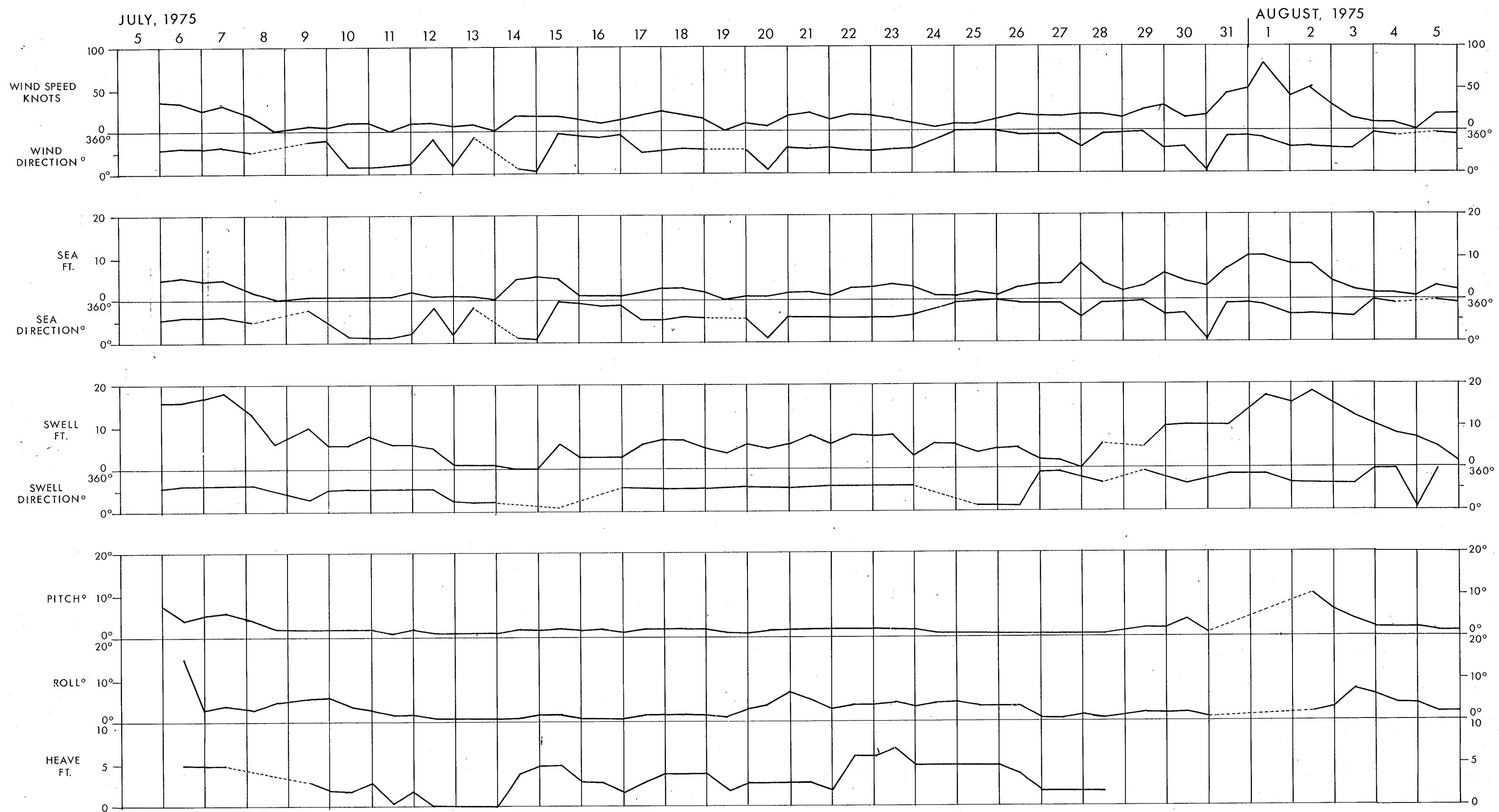
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RESOLUTION-1

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ENCLOSURE 2.



**RESOLUTION No.1  
SEA AND WEATHER CONDITIONS**

RESOLUTION 1.

WORKBOAT UTILISATION

Statistical breakdown for period:      Lady Vilma 1305 hr. 2.7.75. to 1000 hr. 3.8.75.  
     Sydney Tide 0000 hr. 2.7.75. to 2400 hr. 3.8.75.

UTILISATION

	<u>LADY VILMA</u>			<u>SYDNEY TIDE</u>		
	<u>Days</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Mins.</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Mins.</u>
Steaming Time	9	09	23	8	07	12
Time on Location	17	21	15	11	08	25
Time at Nelson	3	01	30	8	08	42
Time at Lyttleton	1	12	47	4	03	12
Time at New Plymouth (SBPT a/c)	<u>31</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>29</u>	
	<u>31</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>00</u>	<u>00</u>

DIESEL OIL (I. Gals.)

On board 2.7.75.	41,400	On board 2.7.75.	23,820
Loaded Nelson	50,000	Loaded 2.7 - 3.8	29,724
Consumed on board	33,400	Consumed on board	16,854
Delivered to 'Glomar Tasman'	21,000	Delivered to 'Glomar Tasman'	12,000
Remaining 3.8.75.	37,000	Remaining 3.8.75.	24,690

BUNKER 'C' (I. Gals.)

On board 2.7.75.	40,146
Loaded during July	NIL
Transferred to 'Glomar Tasman'	40,146
Remaining 3.8.75.	NIL

DRILL WATER (I. Gals.)

On board 2.7.75.	65,632	37,930
Loaded 2.7 - 3.8	276,864	178,340
Transferred to 'Glomar Tasman'	337,344	150,335
Pumped Overboard	5,152	22,350
Remaining on board	NIL	44,585

POTABLE WATER (I. Gals.)

On board 2.7.75.	17,472	25,584
Loaded Nelson	25,088	35,416
Delivered to 'Glomar Tasman'	13,440	13,440
Consumed on board	8,960	31,360
Remaining on board	20,160	16,200

BULK & DECK CARGO (M. Tonnes)

Dispatched from Nelson:		
Mud and Chemicals	353	255
Tubulars	14	380
General Cargo	11	50
Received into Nelson:		
Mud and Chemicals	NIL	NIL
Tubulars	30	282
General Cargo	15	5

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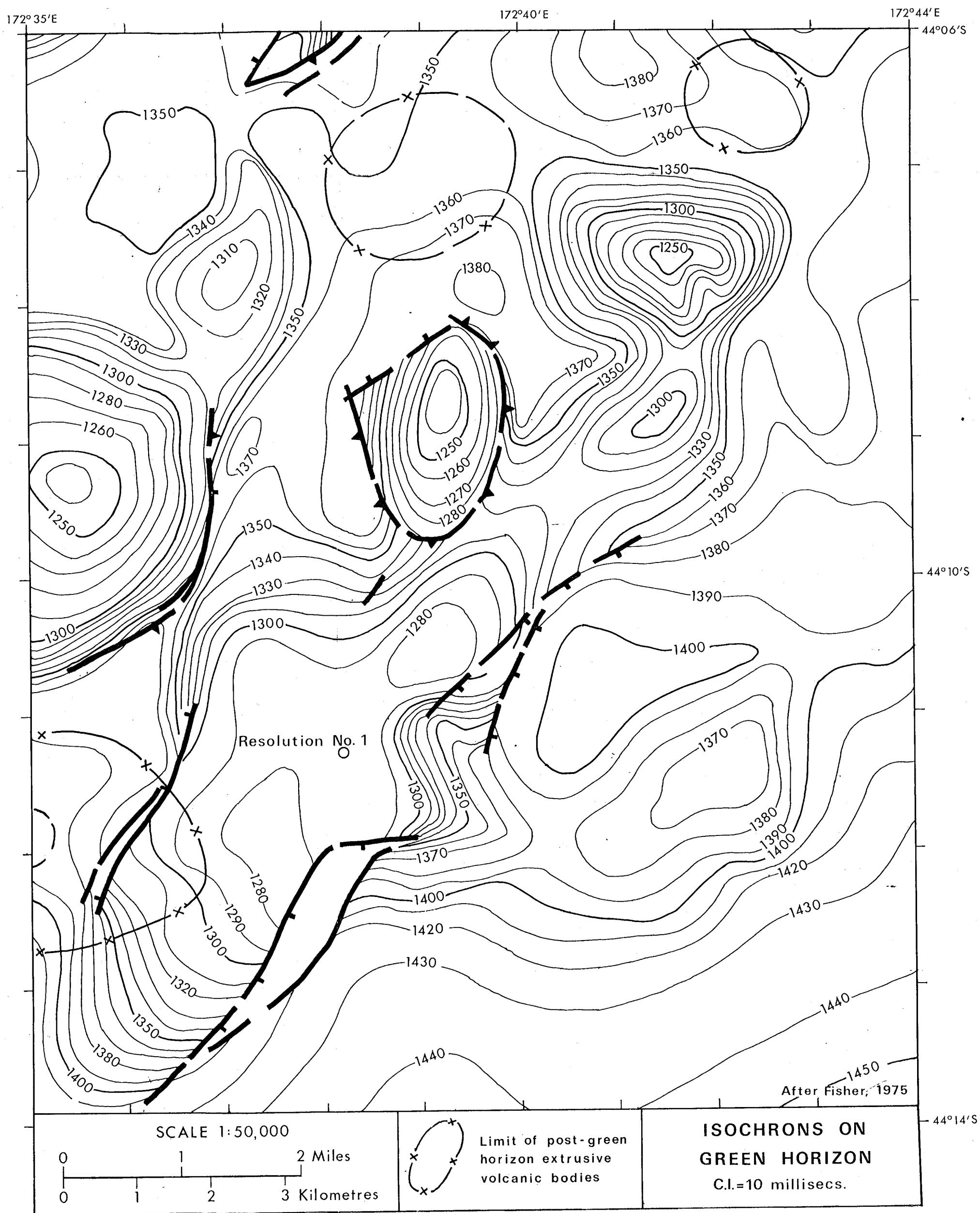
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# CORE ANALYSIS

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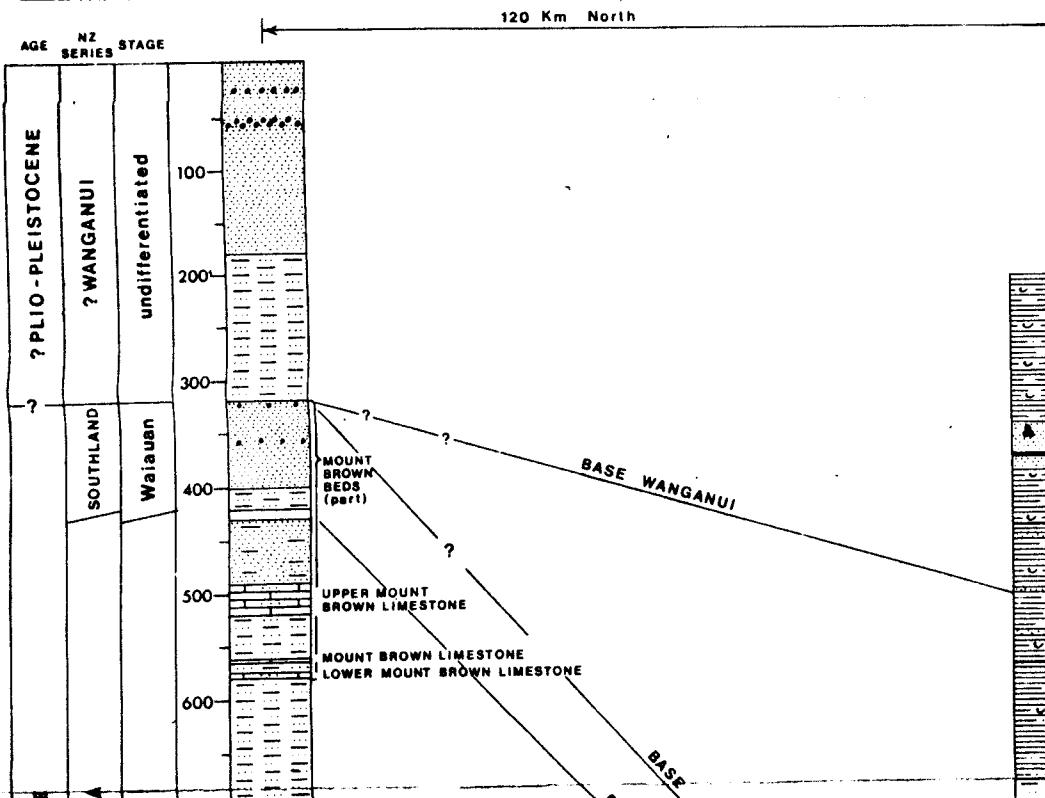
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										40 30 20 10				5000 1000 500 100 50 10 5 1 0								
										Core No.1	From	1958·00m	To	1963·00m	Recovery	100%						
	TESCHENITE: leucocratic to mesocratic, medium to coarse grained basic igneous rock consisting mainly of titanaugite, olivine, plagioclase feldspar and locally, analcite. Subordinate biotite, hornblende, chlorite, ilmenite, apatite, zeolite, and locally quartz. Petrologically, the rocks in the core range from an olivine teschenite to a quartz syenogabbro.	1958·0																				
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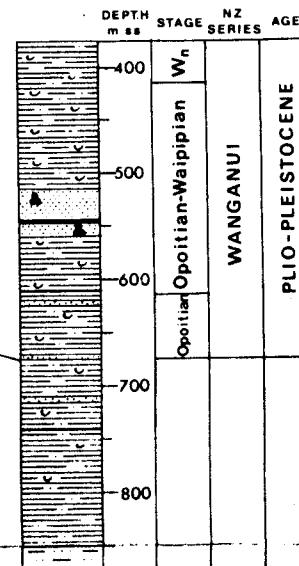
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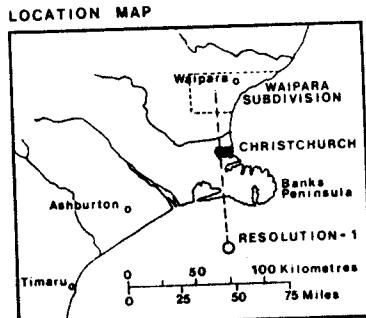
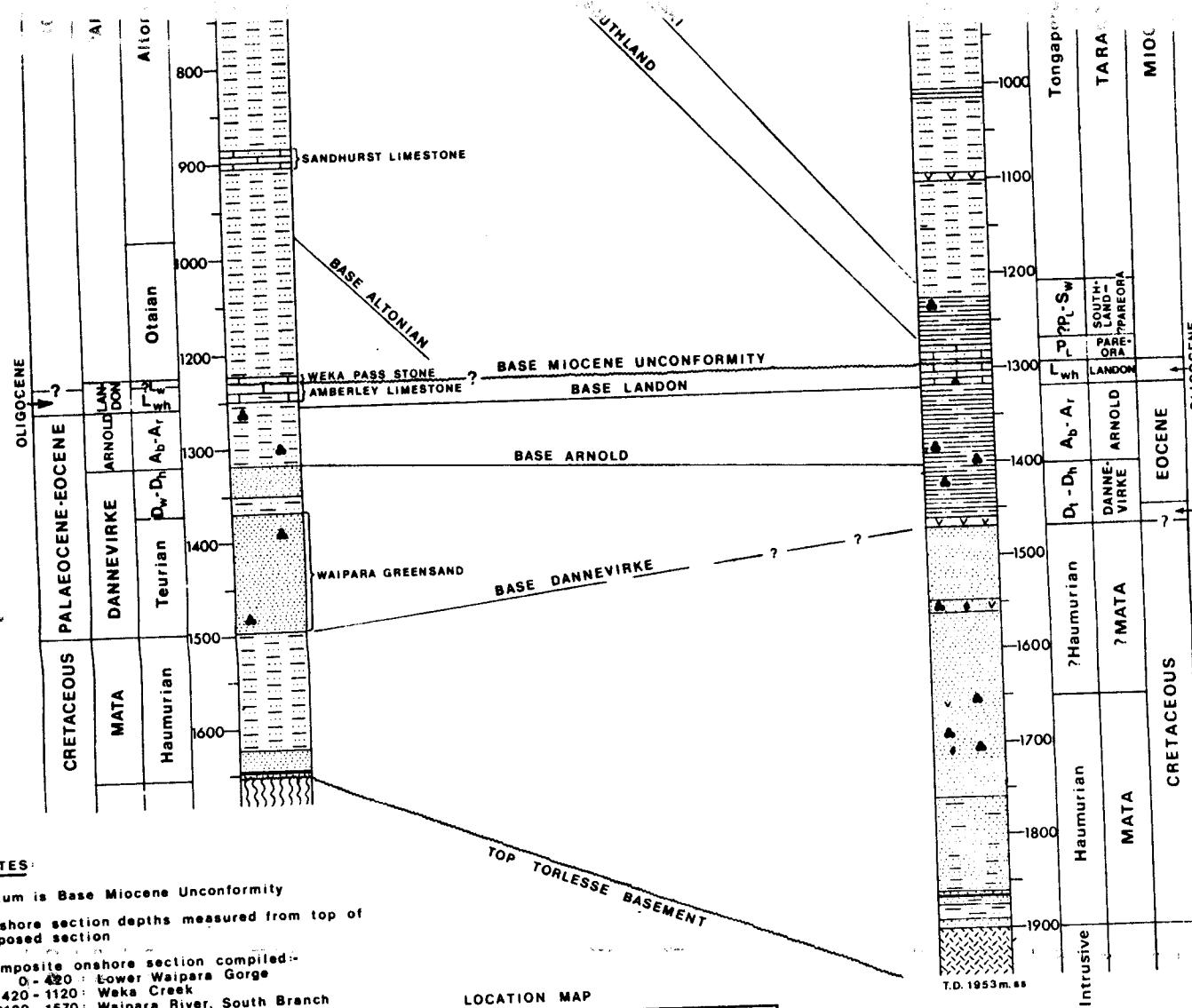
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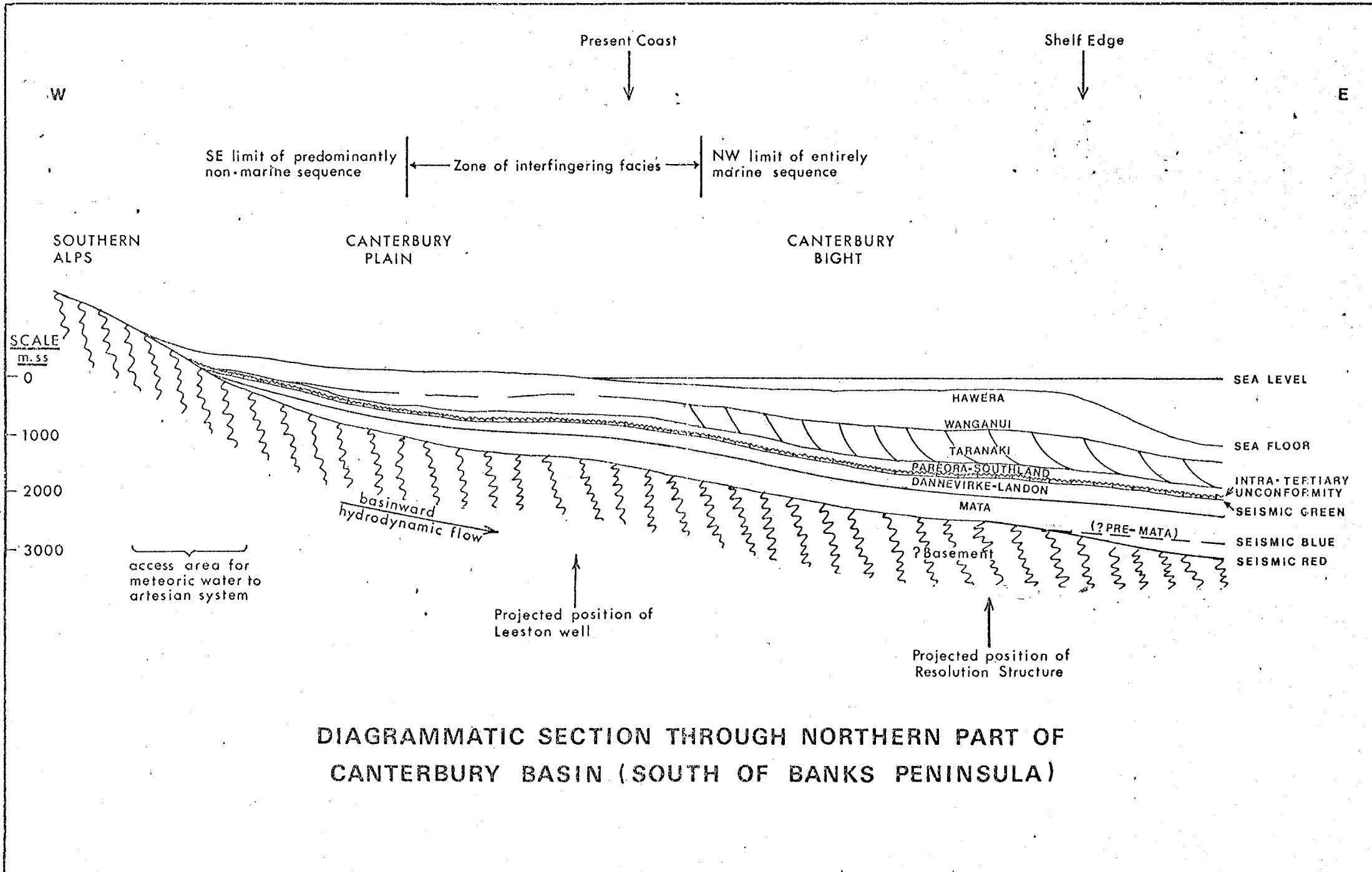


RESOLUTION No. 1  
WELL SECTION





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WELL NAME: RESOLUTION 2 ..... COMPANY: D.F. SWIFT, 1975 ..... NZMS1 SHEET 1174 NZ FOSSIL REC...../f....  
 LOCATION..... PERIOD DRILLED... July, 1975 ..... LAB NOS F.....  
 CONFIDENTIAL? YES NO DRILLER..... COLLECTR..... ELEC LOG HELD..... LITH LOG HELD..... N.....  
 PART 1. SCALE: 20mm= 20m. STORAGE NO..... P.....

stage	critical fossils	depth ft/m	column	core	cttg's exam	casing, lithology, comments	environment	format
Wn	<i>Notorotalia zelandica</i> abundant <i>N. finleyi</i> Mollusca	380	-----		390	no samples above 380m lithology in column principally from well log		
Wn		400	Shell		405	abundant shell fragments	very shallow marine	
Wo-Wp	<i>Notorotalia kaimai</i> <i>N. finleyi</i> <i>N. taranakia</i> <i>Cibicides molestus</i> <i>Notorotalia phoebea</i>	420	beds		420 425			
Wn-Wp		440	and		445 450	Mangapunian absent or unrecognized	very shallow marine	
Wn-Wp	<i>Notorotalia kaimai</i> <i>N. kurupiensis</i>	460	Siltstone					
Wn-Wp		480	Shell					
Wn-Wp		500	beds		495 500		shallow marine	
		520	and					
		540	Siltstone					

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WELL NAME. RESOLUTION! ..... COMPANY..... NZMS1 SHEET..... NZ FOSSIL REC.... /f.....  
 LOCATION..... PERIOD DRILLED..... LAB NOS F.....  
 CONFIDENTIAL? YES NO DRILLER..... COLLECTR..... ELEC LOG HELD..... LITH LOG HELD..... N.....  
 PART 2. SCALE: 20mm= 20 m. STORAGE NO..... P.....

stage	critical fossils	depth ft/m	column	core	cttg's exam	casing, lithology, comments		environment	formation
IVo-Wp	Notorotalia plorea, N. Bulimina aculeata	540	shell beds Siltstone glauconite		545 550	abundant shell fragments		shallow marine	
IVo-Wp	Notorotalia cf. pristine	560	Sandstone						
		580	and minor						
		lignite							
		600	---		545 600	"		very shallow marine	
		620	Sandstone						
		640	and		630			very shallow marine.	
		660	Siltstone		640 650 660	wood, angular sandstone fragments foramifera all seem to be from corals			
		680			690	coarse sand and shell grit		very shallow marine	
		700			700	" " "			

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HEIL NAME.....RESOLUTION!..... COMPANY..... NZMS1 SHEET..... NZ FOSSIL REC...../f.....  
 LOCATION..... PERIOD DRILLED..... LAB NOS F.....  
 CONFIDENTIAL? YES NO DRILLER..... COLLECTR..... ELEC LOG HELD..... LITH LOG HELD..... N.....  
 PART.3. SCALE: 20mm= 20m..... STORAGE NO..... P.....

stage	critical fossils	depth ft/m	column	core	coring exam	casing, lithology, comments	environment	formation
Tt	<i>Textularia mioscea</i> <i>Notorotalia pristina</i>	700			700	abundant shell fragments + coarse sand	very shallow marine	
Tt	<i>Textularia mioscea</i> abat <i>Notorotalia pristina</i>	720	Sandstone		710			
Tt			and		720			
Tt	<i>Quinqueloculina</i> <i>Textularia mioscea</i>	740	siltstone		730			
Tt					740	shell fragments abundant	shallow marine	
Tt		760	Sandstone		750			
Tt			and					
Tt	<i>Textularia mioscea</i> <i>Notorotalia pristina</i>	780	siltstone		790	rare planktonic foraminifera	inner shelf shallow marine	
Tt					800			
Tt		800	Sandstone		800			
Tt			and					
Tt	<i>Textularia mioscea</i>	820	siltstone		830			
Tt			and					
Tt		840	Siltstone		840	scarce planktonic foraminifera	inner to mid shelf	
Tt					850			
Tt		860	---					

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WELL NAME... KESOLUTION ! ..... COMPANY..... NZMS1 SHEET..... NZ FOSSIL REC...../f.....  
 LOCATION..... PERIOD DRILLED..... LAB NOS F.....  
 CONFIDENTIAL? YES  NO DRILLER..... COLLECTR..... ELEC LOG HELD..... LITH LOG HELD..... N.....  
 PART 4.. SCALE: 20mm= 20 m.....

STORAGE NO..... P.....

stage	critical fossils	depth ft/m	column	core	cttg's exam	casing, lithology, comments	environment	formation
Tt	<i>Textularia miozaea</i> <i>Notorotalia hurupiensis</i>	860	---					
		880	Argillaceous					
		900	Siltstone		890			
		920	Argillaceous		900			
		940	Siltstone		940			
Tt	<i>Bolivinita pohana</i>	960			950			
		980	Argillaceous					
		1000	Siltstone		990			
	<i>Bolivinita pohana</i> <i>Notorotalia taranakia</i> N. <i>hurupiensis</i>	1020			1000	++ rare planktonic foraminifera	about mid shelf	
Tt	<i>Sluborotalia mayeri continuosa</i> <i>Bolivinita pohana</i>	1040			1010	increasing planktonic foraminifera	" .. "	
		1060			1020			

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 LOCATION..... PERIOD DRILLED..... LAB NOS F.....  
 CONFIDENTIAL?  YES  NO DRILLER..... COLLECTR..... ELEC LOG HELD..... LITH LOG HELD..... N.....  
 PART. 5. SCALE: 20mm= 20m.

STORAGE NO..... P.....

stage	critical fossils	depth ft/m	column	core	cttg's exam	casing, lithology, comments	environment	formation	
T+	Bolivinita quadrilatera Siborotalia mayeri continua	1020	Argillaceous						
		1040	Siltstone		1040				
		1060	Argillaceous		1050				
		1080	siltstone		1100				
		1100			1100	small planktonic foraminifera abundant	mid to outer shelf		648 120
		1120			1110				
T+	Siborotalia mayeri continua S. aff mioeca	1140	Argillaceous Siltstone		1140	planktonic foraminifera fairly common	mid to outer shelf		
		1160			1150				
		1180							

E. RESOLUTION!

COMPANY..... NZMS1 SHEET..... NZ FOSSIL REC.... /f.....

LOCATION..... PERIOD DRILLED..... LAB NOS F.....

CONFIDENTIAL? YES NO DRILLER..... COLLECTR..... ELEC LOG HELD..... LITH LOG HELD..... N.....

PART. 5. SCALE: 20mm= 20m

STORAGE NO..... P.....

stage	critical fossils	depth ft/m	column	SW core	cttg's exam	casing, lithology, comments	environment	formation
T+	Globorotalia mayeri continua	1180			1190	grey volcanics in cuttings		
SW	Bolivinita pohana/Cyclammina medwayensis, Globorotalia miozea, Globigerinoides meyeri meyeri in 1225m and 1229m	1200	-	Argillaceous	1200			
SL bral	Orbulina suturalis (early form) 1247m	1220	-	Siltstone	1225 1229	← casing set at 1223.57m, then drilled out to 1235m planktonic foraminifera increasing	outer shelf - slope?	
Si	Globigerinoides glomerosus circularis	1240	-	strongly glauconitic sandstone	1247	strongly glauconitic; break in sequence with most of SW + SL missing - or very condensed sequence.		
SL	Globigerina miozea	1260	-	Silty	1250 1255		outer shelf or deeper?	Grey Marls
Lwh cont	Globigerinoides argiporaoides Rotaliella sulcigera	1280	-	mudstone	1265 1270			
Ar cont	- 332m Globigerinoides, Bolivina pontis - 335m Sandrygia recta, Sphaeroidita variabilis	1300	-	1285	1295 1300	- Major disconformity: upper Lwh - Po missing		
		1320	-	white glauconitic limestone	1308.5 1312.5 1318 1320 1323	= MacDonald Limestone, N. Otago. = Amherst Limestone, N. Canterbury.	outer shelf or deeper	MacDonald Lst Amherst LST
		1340	-	glauconitic sandstone	1330 1332 1335 1338			

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1. NAME. RESOLUTION! ..... COMPANY..... NZMS1 SHEET..... NZ FOSSIL REC..... /f.....  
 LOCATION..... PERIOD DRILLED..... LAB NOS F.....  
 CONFIDENTIAL? YES NO DRILLER..... COLLECTR..... ELEC LOG HELD..... LITH LOG HELD..... N.....  
 PART. 7.. SCALE: 20mm= 20 m. STORAGE NO..... P.....

stage	critical fossils	depth ft/m	column	SW core	coring exam	casing, lithology, comments	environment	formation
AK	Bulinina cf. moodyensis Sandrynia renata	1340	glauconitic sandstone ---	1348	1350 1355	planktonic foraminifera plentiful	outer shelf?	
	Sandrynia renata	1360	Light grey		1360 1365	" "		
Ab upper	Sandrynia processii Bulimina bortoniella Zeaungervina Euungervina bortotare	1380	Soft calcareous	1380 1387	1380 1385 1390	" "	outer shelf?	
Ab lower	Euungervina wanzea Sandrynia processii	1400	glauconitic mudstone	1396.5 1400	1400 1405 1410 1415	" "		
	Elphidium hampdenense Sistostaria crateris	1420	1	1428	1420 1425 1430 1435	Porangan missing or not identified		
Dh	" "	1440	1	1443	1440 1445 1450 1455	exact age uncertain - Dm + EW not recognized - possibly missing. Foraminiferal numbers decreasing shallowing.	outer shelf?	
Dh-Dt	" "						shallowing?	
	arenaceous fauna - undiagnostic	1460	↓ ---	1462.5	1460 1465			
Dt	Bolivinopsis spectabilis + compacta + agglutinated fauna Pollen flora indicates probable Df age	1480	non calcareous glauconitic sandstone ---	1474.5 1478	1475 1480		shallow - near shore Waipara Greenband	
		1500	white quartzose sandstone				non marine?	

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NAME. **RESOLUTION!** ..... COMPANY..... NZMS1 SHEET..... NZ FOSSIL REC...../f.....  
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 CONFIDENTIAL? **YES** **NO** DRILLER..... COLLECTR..... ELEC LOG HELD..... LITH LOG HELD..... N.....  
 PART. 8. SCALE: 20mm= **20m** .....

STORAGE NO..... P.....

stage	critical fossils	depth ft/m	column	core	cttgs exam	casing, lithology, comments	environment	formation
NF	only from coreings	1500	Sandstone				non marine?	
NF		1520	White		1515 1520		"	
NF		1540	quartzose		1525 1530 1535 1540 1545 1550			
NF		1560	fine					
NF		1580	to					
NF		1600	medium					
NF		1620	grained					
NF		1640	non					
NF		1660	calcareous		1645 1650			

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 LOCATION..... PERIOD DRILLED..... LAB NOS F.....  
 CONFIDENTIAL?  YES  NO DRILLER..... COLLECTR..... ELEC LOG HELD..... LITH LOG HELD..... N.....  
 PART. 9. SCALE: 20mm= **20m**.....

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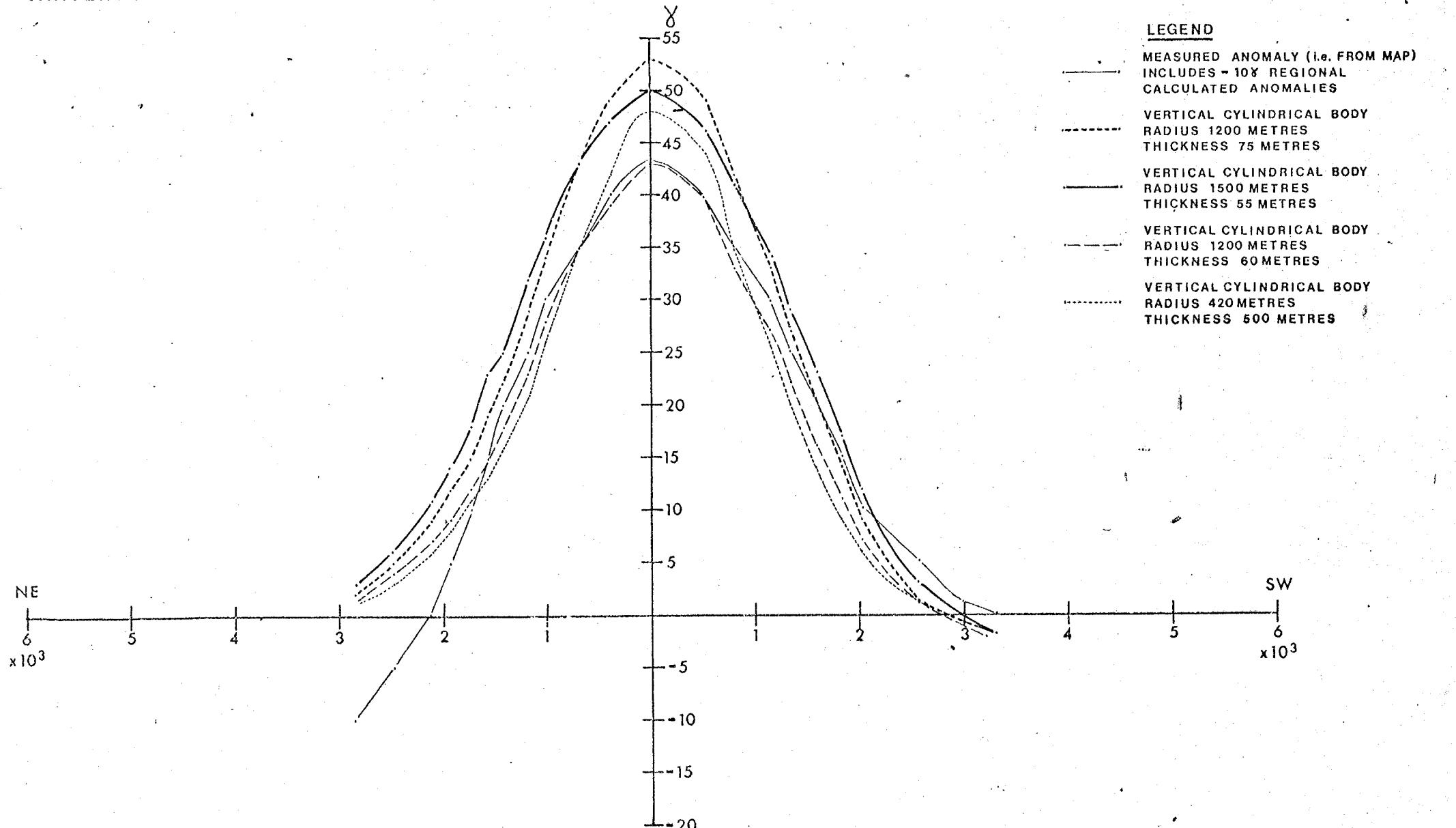
stage	critical fossils	depth ft/m	column	SW core	cttg's exam			
Mn	Mn pollen flora	1660	Sandstone, white quartzose non calcareous					
Mn	Cyclammina elegans Bathygypsion Gaudryina healyi	1680		1685				
Mn		1700	Alternating		1695			
Mn		1720	silty		1700		shallow, near shore	Laidmose
Mn	Mn pollen flora Cyclammina elegans Bathygypsion	1740	glaucostic	1740	1740			"Saurian Sands"
Mn		1760	mudstone		1750			Mid Waipara
Mn	Cyclammina elegans Bathygypsion	1780	mud					648
Mn		1800	sandstone		1790			124
Mn		1820			1800			6 6/6

WELL NAME... RESOLUTION 1..... COMPANY..... NZMS1 SHEET..... NZ FOSSIL REC.... /f.....  
 LOCATION..... PERIOD DRILLED..... LAB NOS F.....  
 CONFIDENTIAL? YES  NO DRILLER..... COLLECTOR..... ELEC LOG HELD..... LITH LOG HELD..... N.....  
 PART! O. SCALE: 20mm= .20m .. STORAGE NO..... P.....  
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stage	critical fossils	depth ft/m	column	core	cttg's exam	casing, lithology, comments		environment	formation
Mh	Cyclammina elegans Bathy siphon	1820	alternating silty glauconitic mudstone					shallow	Laidmore
		1840	and sandstone		1840				" Saunian Sands "
		1860			1860				
		1880	"		1890				
Mh	Cyclammina elegans Bathy siphon	1900	white — quartzose sandstone		1900			shallow	
		1920			— 1911				
		1940	Igneous (teschenite)			Igneous			
		1960			TD 1963				
		1980							

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MEASURED AND CALCULATED MAGNETIC ANOMALY PROFILES  
ACROSS STEEPEST GRADIENT OF ANOMALY CAUSED BY  
TESCHENITE BODY 1902 METRES BELOW SEA LEVEL,  
CANTERBURY BIGHT.



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