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SUBJECT: Coal Supply

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Geological conditions of the coal seams at Ross River appear to be less favourable than was anticipated. The main concern I have is that the seams are more steeply dipping at plus 40 degrees than the 36-38 degrees earlier indicated.

While there was an inferred reserve of about 90,000 tonnes of coal at a 10:1 strip ratio, it appears to me that there will only be 30-40 thousand tonnes at this ratio. Coal recovery beyond this point will likely be physically difficult due to the steepness of the seams, if not impossible.

Therefore, if we are to avoid the more costly alternatives of fuel oil and imported coal we need to locate additional Yukon supplies as soon as possible. As we discussed before, we need to do a survey of potential coal fields in the Yukon, both underground and open pit potential.



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