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Star - Orion South Diamond Project \& Fort à la Corne Diamond District

Comparison of Trench Cutter Diamond Results with Star Underground and LDD

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## Star Trench and LDD Holes

## Grid $=50$ metres



## Diamond Results STAR UG, LDD \& Trench Cutter

- The presentation focuses on the diamonds recovered from the EJF kimberlite unit the first four trench cutter holes excavated on the Star Kimberlite
- To date 3,505 tonnes of EJF kimberlite from these four trenches has been processed through the on-site BSP and the diamonds recovered from DMS concentrates and XRT Accepts at the SRC
- 3,500 tonnes has been chosen for the plots in this presentation as it represents the total tonnage of the EJF processed to date from the first four trenches and is also equal to the tonnage recovered from the 48 inch LDD holes proximal to the Star underground, within a 250 metre a radius of the center of the Star underground
- To date, FTIR diamond typing has been completed on EJF diamonds for the first three trenches


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## Diamond Typing Results STAR UG \& Trench Cutter

- Diamond typing for the first three trench parcels has an anomalous number of Type Ila Diamonds in the +11 diamond size fraction
- This requires further investigation to assess if this is a result of diamond breakage
- Star Diamond personnel were not provided the opportunity to review these typed diamonds prior to their shipment to Antwerp

| STAR TRENCH CUTTER EJF SAMPLES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Diamonds Typed | +11 | 3GR | 4GR | 5GR | 6GR | 8GR | 10GR | 3CT | 4CT | 5CT | 6CT | TOTAL |
| Total | 104 | 13 | 16 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 324 |
| TYPE II | 45 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 98 |
| \% TYPE II | 43.3 | 23.1 | 18.8 | 0.0 | 25.0 | 16.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 30.2 |
| STAR UNDERGROUND EJF SAMPLES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Diamonds Typed | +11 | 3GR | 4GR | 5GR | 6GR | 8GR | 10GR | 3CT | 4CT | 5CT | 6CT | TOTAL |
| Total | 2608 | 200 | 200 | 162 | 189 | 158 | 39 | 71 | 32 | 18 | 12 | 3689 |
| TYPE II | 739 | 35 | 52 | 26 | 47 | 38 | 11 | 15 | 8 | 6 | 1 | 978 |
| \% TYPE II | 28.3 | 17.5 | 26.0 | 16.0 | 24.9 | 24.1 | 28.2 | 21.1 | 25.0 | 33.3 | 8.3 | 26.5 |

## Conclusions: Star UG, LDD \& Trench Cutter

- There is an under recovery of larger stones ( 0.90 carats and above) compared to the underground bulk sample and the 48 inch LDD program
- There is a better recovery of the small diamonds in the 0.02 to 0.05 carat range. This adds to the grade of each trench cutter hole compared to the grades of the 48 inch LDD program. This recovery is due to the efficient operation of the DMS cyclone for the limited size range of $+1-6$ millimetres
- The stone size frequency plot shows that the Trench Cutter has not outperformed (to date) the 48 inch LDD program. In fact it has underperformed in the important larger stone size classes above 0.9 carats
- Diamond typing for EJF diamonds from the first three trenches has an anomalous number of Type Ila Diamonds in the +11 diamond size fraction, this requires further investigation to assess if this is a result of diamond breakage
- Diamond breakage analysis and typing must continue for all the EJF samples of the ten trench cutter holes
- All remaining +6 mm samples must be crushed and processed before processing is deemed completed
- Audits of the DMS concentrate and float tails must also be completed before the processing is deemed complete
- A selection of large diamond (1 to 15 carats) spikes must be added to the primary feed bin of the BSP for a number of samples to fully audit the potential for the plant for diamond recovery and breakage

