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## North-Western Prospective Area (Residual Reserves) of Malyshevsky Placer Field of Titanium and Zirconium Ores

Minerals: the main minerals are titanium ores, zirconium ores; accompanying minerals are kyanite, sillimanite, and staurolite.

Type, period of subsoil use: 20-years licenses for exploration and production.

Location: Oleksandrivsky District of Kirovohrad Region and Pyatihatsky District of Dnipropetrovsk Region, 20.1 km north of Pyatihatky. The district is crossed by asphalt roads of the III class Vilnohirsk-Lykhivka and Vilnohirsk-Verkhnodniprovsk routes.

Land plot area: 3309.8 hectares

**Geological characteristics.** The exploitation region is located in the northern depression of the central part of the Ukrainian crystalline shield. The North-Western prospective area (residual reserves) is located in the north-western part of the Malyshevsky field and is a placer associated with coastal and marine sediments of quartz fine-grained sands of the Poltava series of veins and partially quartz fine-grained sands of the Sarmatian tier of the Miocene. The meaningful mineral comprises of the layer of industrial ore sands of the Poltava series of veins, which is attached to the upper part of the Poltava horizon and to the lower part of the sands of the Sarmatian tier in some places, at a cap of up to 5 m. The horizon of ores is represented by gray, yellow-gray, occasionally dark gray fine-grained quartz sands with high content of heavy minerals. In the sands of the Poltava series of veins there are 3 horizons with different degrees of mineralization. The upper horizon is enriched by minerals of heavy fraction. Ore sands consist of quartz, clay minerals and heavy minerals: zircon, rutile, ilmenite, leucoxene, kyanite, sillimanite, staurolite, tourmaline, spinel, chromite, monazite. The main bulk of quartz grains belongs to the class -0.28 + 0.1 mm (89.84%). The most common titanium mineral is ilmenite with grains of high leucoxene content. The average content of TiO2 in ilmenite is 62.23%, TiO2 in leucoxene - 83.26%, TiO2 in rutile - 90-98%. The main mineral containing zirconium is zircon. The ZnO2 content varies from 63.1 to 63.9%. Technological properties studies of ore sands of the Poltava series of veins were conducted at the Motronnivsko-Annivska prospective area of the Malyshevsky field. As a result the following concentrates were obtained: ilmenite - 62.23% TiO2; zirconium - 64.57% TiO2; kyanite-sillimanite - 62.28% Al2O3; staurolite - 50.9% Al2O3. Hydrogeological conditions of the Malyshevsky field are characterized by the presence of an aquifer complex in the Miocene aquifer complex is associated

Available geological information. Site exploration was carried out in 1955-1958 by the Ukrainian Geological Survey. For the first time the residual reserves of the North-West prospective area were approved by the protocol of the State Committee of the USSR from 20.01.1959 Nº 2553. In 2019, a detailed geological and economic assessment of reserves of zircon-rutile-ilmenite sands of Motronovsko-Annivska and North-Western prospective areas of the Malyshevskoye field was concluded (protocol of the State Committee of Ukraine dated 20.12.2019 Nº 5000-DSK).

**Estimation of reserve/stock.** The protocol of the State Commission of Ukraine on Mineral Resources dated 20.12.2019 No. 5000-DSK approved residual reserves of zircon-rutile-ilmenitebearing sands, the industrial value of which is uncertain class code 332 (category of geological study  $C_2$ ). According to the United Nations Framework Classification (UNSC-2009), reserves of zircon-rutile-ilmenite-bearing sands are according to non-commercial ones, the feasibility of the development of which cannot be assessed from the early stage of technological research, which does not allow determining economic efficiency. Information has limited access to the number of approved stocks. Reserves of associated minerals are approved under the  $C_2$  category in the amount of: disten+sillimanite – 1407.8 thousand tons, staurolite – 567.9 thousand tons (class code 332). During research and industrial development, it is recommended to investigate the possibility of extracting, first of all, titanium and zirconium, as well as other components that are present in titanium-zirconium ores.

## Available geological reports:

http://geoinf.kiev.ua/wp/geologichni-zviti.php?rep=fnd\_shifr.rdf&schifr=19480 http://geoinf.kiev.ua/wp/geologichni-zviti.php?rep=fnd\_shifr.rdf&schifr=60211 http://geoinf.kiev.ua/wp/geologichni-zviti.php?rep=fnd\_shifr.rdf&schifr=64530 http://geoinf.kiev.ua/wp/geologichni-zviti.php?rep=fnd\_shifr.rdf&schifr=66507

## Minimum work program

Provided by Mining terms Model agreements and defined in "Work Program" annex. Model agreements are listed at the link: https://www.geo.gov.ua/primirni-ugodi-pro-umovi-koristuvannya-nadrami/

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