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Falls Dam Site, Falls, N.C.	Type NX Cores		SAS-ENG-FALLS-1
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## SUMMARY

Petrographic analysis has been made of three NX cores from Falls Dam Site near Is, North Carolina. The rock types encountered are summarized as follows:

Lab. No.	Core Hole	Depth (ft)	Rock Type
1M674	A-3	29.1 - 29.6	Quartz-Microcline Gneiss
1M675	A-3	21.2 - 21.7	Hornblende Gneiss
1M676	A-6	37.0 - 37.7	Quartz-Epidote Gneiss

The lineation and in some cases, foliation of the gneiss dips between 25 to 35 grees from the horizontal. The gneiss ranges from fresh to slightly weathered and ly the sample from core hole A-6, 37.0 - 37.7 ft. depth contains evidence of joint stems. The brecciated, granular, and linear nature of the texture of these gneisses evident in thin section analysis. In general, rock comprising the cores are typical edmont rock types.

## DETAILED PETROGRAPHY

Detailed petrographic description of each core hole rock specimen is given in following paragraphs. Mineral identification and texture analysis was performed means of the petrographic microscope. Thin section and grain mount techniques were ployed in the study. A photomicrograph (Figures 1 through 3) was made of each rock pe. Rock classification is by means of the AGI binomial system for naming metaphic rocks in which the main rock name is based on the texture of the rock while principal or more significant minerals are added as modifying nouns.

## 1M674 - Core Hole A-3, 29.1 - 29.6 ft - Quartz-microcline gneiss

The rock core from 29.1 to 29.6 ft. depth of core hole A-3 consists of pink, neated, fine to medium grained, interlocking-granular, fresh, dense, quartz-microcline iss. Although lineated the gneiss is not foliated or banded; lineation dips approxitely 35 degrees from the horizontal. The lineation is imparted by the parallel rangement of black mica (biotite) in a pink groundmass.

Thin section analysis reveals a brecciated, interlocking-granular arrangement of inerals in which microcline attains the largest grain size. (See Figure 1) Average rain size approximations 0.3 mm with range up to 2 mm grain size for microcline. feldspar is the most abundant mineral with microcline the most abundant variety. icrocline ranges from fresh, surfaces with discrete "gridiron" twinning (combined alite and periclase twinning) to surface weathered, with "cloudy" surfaces which masks

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the form foliations. Trace amounts of minor other accessory minerals occur as interstions in the groundmass. Mineral composition approximates the following:

Feldspar (predominantly microcline)	63%
Quartz	30%
Biotite	7%
Minor Others	Trace

are no apparent structural defects in this gneiss but some of the feldspars are meathered, a factor which contributes to less rock strength.

## 1675 - Core Hole A-3, 21.2 to 21.7 feet - Hornblende Gneiss

The rock core from 21.2 to 21.7 ft. depth of core hole A-3 is a greenish grey, grained, lineated, fresh, dense, hornblende gneiss. Although lineated the rock foliated or banded; lineation approximates a 25 degree dip with the horizontal.

Thin section analysis reveals a granulated lineated texture comprised of hornbe, biotite, quartz, and feldspar (See Figure 2). The green, pleochroic hornblende most abundant ferromagnesian mineral and consists of euhedral to anhedral crystals generally well defined smphibole cleavage. Biotite, of less abundance, tends to the hornblende lineation. Feldspars are commonly frayed or brecciated with well and albite or Carlsbad twinning; most abundant feldspar variety is oligioclase while aldspar is of minor occurrence. Quartz tends to be slightly smaller in grain size than feldspars. Mineral composition approximates the following percentage distribution:

Hornblende	35%
Biotite	10%
Feldspar	25%
Quartz	30%
Magnetite & Minor Others	Trace

This rock type is tough and dense with no apparent structural defects.

1676 - Core Hole A-6, 37.0 - 37.7 ft - Quartz - Epidote Gneiss

The rock core from 37.0 to 37.7 ft depth of core hole A-6 consists of white, fine uned, foliated, dense, fresh to slightly weathered quartz-epidote-feldspar gneiss. The coarser textured and light grey quartz bands from 3 to 8 mm thick occur parallel foliation for the length of the core sample. Foliation dips at an angle of thirty rees from the horizontal. Local healed joints occur in vertical attitude and parallel foliation.

Thin section analysis reveals a highly brecciated, granulated, and lineated groundof quartz, epidote, feldspar, and minor other minerals (See Figure 3). Average in size is about 0.2 mm. Epidote, probably derived at the expense of plagioclase ing metamorphism, is light yellow in color, granulated, and stands in high relief contrast to more singularly occurring quartz grains. Feldspar grains are slightly thered with orthoclase, the more common variety; twinning is generally absent in feldspars. Other minor accessory minerals include disseminated zircon, magnetite, others. Average mineral composition approximates the following percentage distri-Appendix I

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Quartz	56%
Epidote	33%
Feldspar	10%
Zircon & Minor Others	1%

This rock probably represents a metamorphosed aplite (a white granitic rock void ferromagnesian minerals) in which most of the feldspar was altered to epidote and quartz was merely ground to smaller size. Some of the feldspars which were not tered during metamorphism are the more easily weathered minerals and the amount of face weathering present contributes to structural weakness of the rock. Minor rical joints appear well healed. A few minor joints essentially parallel to ding appear well healed; these are probably sheet or exfoliation joints.

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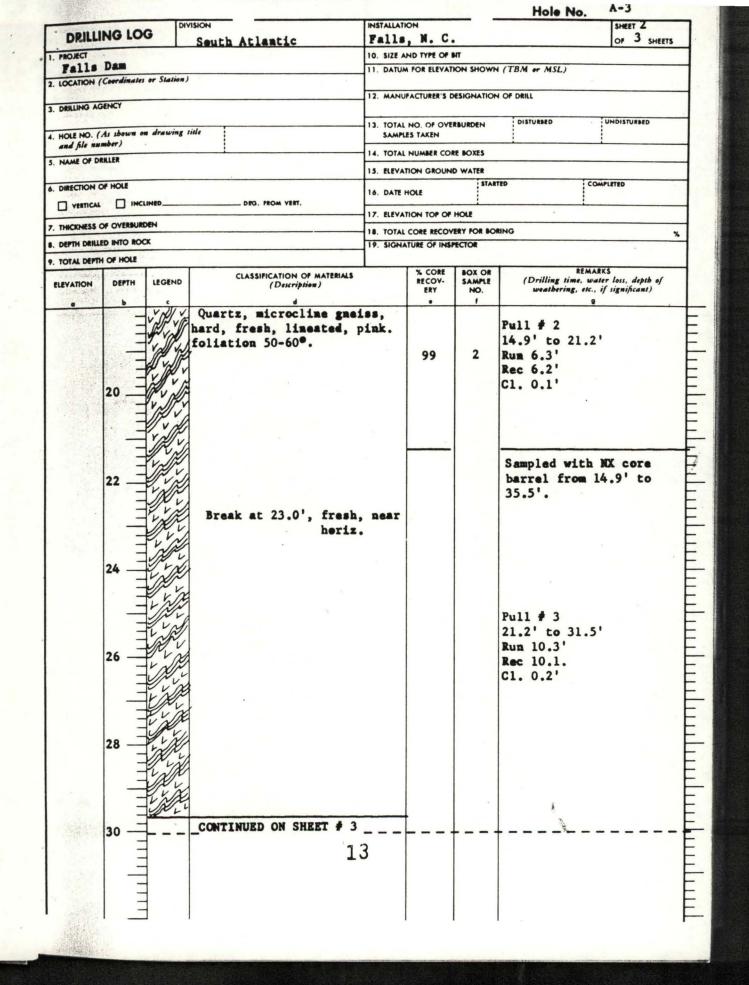
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DRILLING LOG		INSTALLATIC			SHEET		
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Baseline A - Sta. 1	2 + 32, 140' Left	12. MANUF	ACTURER'S D	ESIGNATION	N OF DRILL		
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and file number)	A-3	SAMPLES TAKEN 0 0					
NAME OF DRILLER					3		
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XX VERTICAL INCLINED	DEG. FROM VERT.	16. DATE H	OLE	6-	15-66 6-16-66		
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THICKNESS OF OVERBURDEN 9.5		18. TOTAL	CORE RECOV	ERY FOR BO	RING 93 %		
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I' STA	Rock bit 9.5' to 9.9'				NOTE: Scale change 10.0'		
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