

Geoscience Editing and Publishing

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Publications are often the first point of contact between the Mineral Resources Branch and its various clients. All geoscientists in the branch are required to publish accounts of their work. These accounts may be published as scientific reports, memoirs or maps, or they may be more effectively summarized in less technical publications such as information circulars or newsletters. All forms of publication play an important role in delivering geoscience information for the branch to enhance public awareness and promote the mineral resources of Nova Scotia.

Staff of the geoscience editing and publishing group work toward the goal of high-quality, timely and cost-effective reporting on activities carried out by the Mineral Resources Branch. The group's work involves editing manuscript maps and reports to the author's satisfaction, while also applying the branch standards for peer review, content and style. The branch follows editorial standards described in the Geological Survey of Canada's *Guide to Authors*. When a map or report has been completed and approved for publication, the group works to prepare the publication for release in hard copy and on line. The Mineral Resources Branch web site provides an average of more than 25,000 downloads per month, all free of charge.

The following publications of the Mineral Resources Branch were released in 2008.

Contribution Series

CS ME 2008-1 Altering Avalonia: oxygen isotopes and terrane distinction in the Appalachian peri-Gondwanan realm, by J. Potter, F. J. Longstaffe, S. M. Barr, M. D. Thompson and C. E. White; *in* Canadian Journal of Earth Sciences, v. 45, p. 815-825.

Information Circular

IC ME 58 A guide to mineral exploration legislation in Nova Scotia (fourth edition), 9 p.

Memoir

Memoir ME 11 Geology of the Sydney Basin, Cape Breton and Victoria Counties, Nova Scotia, by R. C. Boehner and P. S. Giles; 99 p.

Newsletter

Nova Scotia Minerals Update, v. 24, nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Open File Maps

OFM ME 2008-1 Bedrock geology map of the Whycomagh area, NTS 11F/14, Inverness County, Nova Scotia, by C. E. White and R. C. Boehner, scale 1:50 000.

OFM ME 2008-3 Groundwater regions map of Nova Scotia, by G. W. Kennedy and J. M. Drage, scale 1:500 000.

OFM ME 2008-4 Bedrock geology map of the Liscomb Complex (parts of NTS 11E/01, 11E/02, 11E/07 and 11E/08), Nova Scotia, by P. S. Giles, A. K. Chatterjee and K. L. Ford, scale 1:50 000.

Reports

Report ME 2008-1 Mineral Resources Branch Report of Activities 2007, ed. D. R. MacDonald, 144 p.

Report ME 2008-2 Mining Matters 2008: Program with Abstracts, ed. D. R. MacDonald, 30 p.

