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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Commodity Classification

Canadian Trade statistics are classified and published according to the International Convention on the Harmonized Commodity and Description Coding System (H.S.), as defined by the Canadian Customs Tariff and Statistical Nomenclature.

Method

RECEIVED SCHOOL AND HOREY CANADA

The data shown in this analysis are extracted from Revenue Canada Customs documents. These documents provide a description of the products, names of importers, foreign exporters, quantities, dollar values, unit prices, countries of origin, provinces of entry, tariff applications and rates of exchange.

The information presented in this report is more detailed than that generally available from Statistics Canada or other publications. Data which might reveal information about individual importers are aggregated.

Valuation

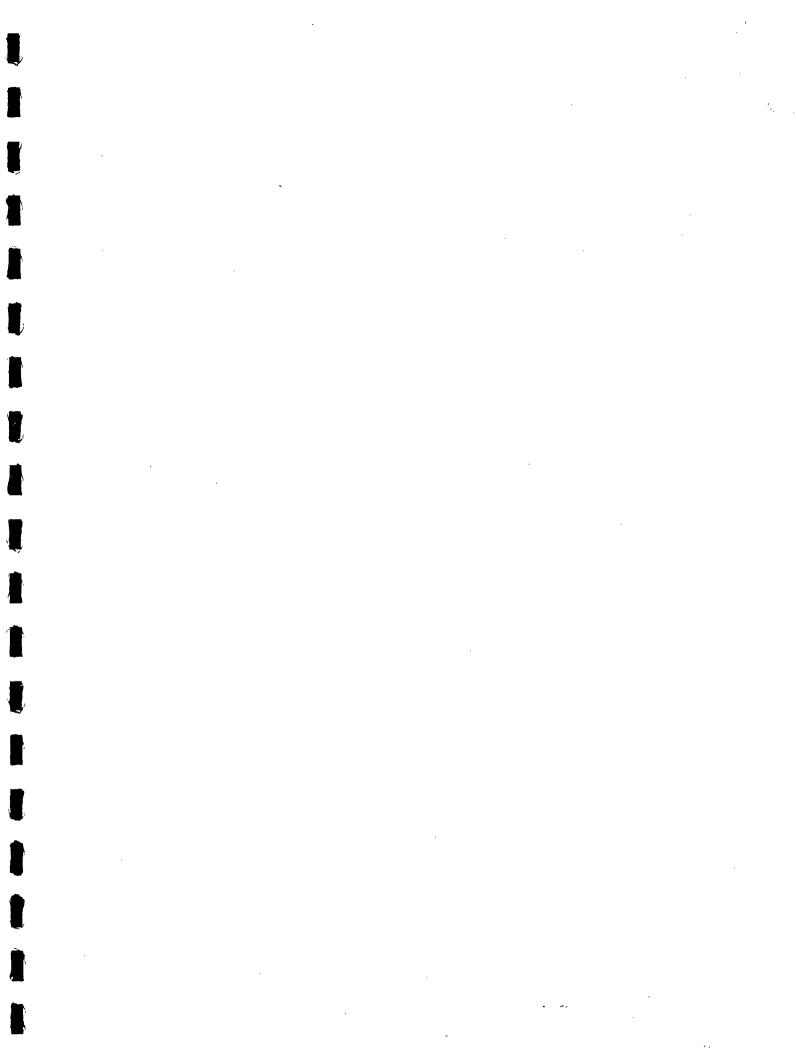
Dollar values shown in this report are based on selling price F.O.B. plant, in Canadian dollars. This selling price represents the value paid by the importer, excluding all freight, packing and insurance costs when specified. All trade discounts, when applicable, are also deducted from the selling price.

Rounding

Figures may not add due to rounding.

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I. INTRODUCTION AND SCOPE

This Import Analysis is one of a series prepared in order to assist businesses and other organizations in their market research of specific products. The detailed import information provided in these reports supports studies by organizations seeking to expand existing production lines, change individual product characteristics or engage in new manufacturing investment in Canada. The coverage of an import analysis is developed in close consultation with the client, and is tailored to meet those specific requirements. It is important to emphasize that this report does not attempt any assessment as to the feasibility of competing in a particular market.

This analysis of imports on Kyanite and Natural Garnet is based on a detailed examination of Revenue Canada Customs import documents for the period of January to September 1989. Documents with the following codes were analyzed:

Description

H.S. Commodity Codes
Analyzed

Other clays (not including expanded clays of heading No. 68.06), andulsite, kyanite and sillimanite, whether or not calcined; mullite; chamotte or dinas earths. (25.08)

Andulsite, Kyanite and Sillimanite

2508.50.00.00

Pumice stone; emery; natural corundum, natural garnet and other natural abrasives, whether or not heat-treated (25.13)

•Emery, natural corundum, natural garnet and other natural abrasives:

•Other

2513.29.00.90

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I. INTRODUCTION AND SCOPE (Cont'd)

Imports of Kyanite amounted to 3.6 million kilograms for a value of \$579 thousand during the period January to September 1989.

Imports of Natural Garnet amounted to 161 thousand kilograms for a value of \$107 thousand during the same period.

All shipments of Kyanite and Natural Garnet originated in the United States. As a result, the weights on Customs documents were reported in pounds. In order to convert to the metric system a factor of 2.2046 lbs per kilogram was used.

IMPORTS OF ANDULSITE, KYANITE AND SILLIMANITE (H.S. 2508.50.00.00)

JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER 1989

Statistics Canada Published Data Total	Total Value Available for Analysis	Value Identifiedas Kyanite	Kyanite as % of Total Analyzed Value
(000 kg) (\$000)	(000 kg) (\$000)	(000 kg) (\$000)	Quantity Value
5 131 932	4 198 778	3 565 579	85 74

IMPORTS OF EMERY, NATURAL CORUNDUM, NATURAL GARNET AND OTHER NATURAL ABRASIVES (H.S. 2513.29.00.90)

JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER 1989

Statistics Canada Published Data Total	Total Value Available for Analysis	Value Identified as Natural Garnet	Natural Garnet as % of Total Analyzed Value
(000 kg) (\$000)	(000 kg) (\$000)	(000 kg) (\$000)	Quantity Value
1 173 1 081	835 794	161 107	19 13

Harmonized System (H.S.) commodity codes 2508.50.00.00 and 2513.29.00.90 contain products other than Kyanite and Natural Garnet. In addition, at the time of analysis many National Revenue Customs Documents were not available for processing. This analysis reports on those documents (shipments) which were available and described as Kyanite and Natural Garnet. A reconciliation between Statistics Canada published data and report findings may be found in Appendix F.

II. ANALYSIS OF IMPORTS

KYANITE AND NATURAL GARNET

JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER 1989

SUMMARY OF IMPORTS

KYANITE

Kyanite imports amounted to a quantity of 3.6 million kg, (7.9 million lbs) for a value of \$579 thousand. The majority of shipments were packaged in 100 lb bags. These accounted for 2.3 million kg, (5.0 million lbs) and \$383 thousand or 64 per cent and 66 per cent of the total quantity and the value respectively.

Bag Size (1b)	<u>Quantity</u> (000 kg)	<u>Value</u> (\$000)
50	451	84
100	2 291	383
Other	<u>823</u>	<u>112</u>
	3 565	579

Kyanite and Natural Garnet are graded by mesh size. Kyanite mesh sizes ranged from #35 to #325 with #100 mesh size accounting for 1.5 million kg, (3.3 million lbs) and a value of \$229 thousand or 42 per cent and 40 per cent of the total quantity and value respectively. This was followed by #35 mesh size which accounted for 36 per cent of the total quantity and 34 per cent of the total value.

For further details refer to Appendix A (page 11).

NATURAL GARNET

Natural Garnet imports amounted to a quantity of 161 thousand kg, (355 thousand lbs) for a value of \$107 thousand. The majority of shipments were packaged in 100 lb bags. These accounted for 102 thousand kg, (224 thousand lbs) and \$95 thousand or 63 per cent and 89 per cent of the total quantity and value respectively.

Bag Size (1b)	<u>Quantity</u> (000 kg)	<u>Value</u> (\$000)
100	102	95
Other	<u>59</u>	<u>12</u>
	161	107

Mesh sizes for Natural Garnet ranged from #8 to #325. The largest single mesh size for Natural Garnet was #100 mesh, it accounted for 24 thousand kg, (53 thousand lbs) for a value of \$30 thousand or 15 per cent and 28 per cent of the total quantity and value respectively.

For further details refer to Appendix A (page 12).

II. ANALYSIS OF IMPORTS (Cont'd) KYANITE

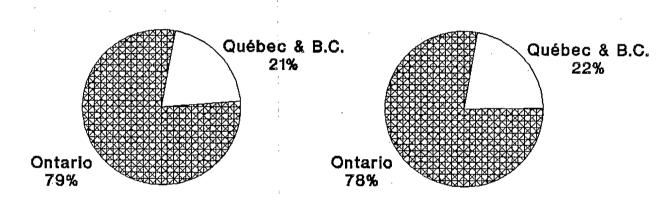
BY PROVINCE OF CONSIGNEE

JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER 1989

Ontario was the major province of consignee, accounting for 2 812 thousand kg, (6.2 million lbs) for a value of \$450 thousand, or 79 per cent and 78 per cent of the total quantity and value respectively. For further details refer to Appendix B.

Quantity

Value ·



100% = 3.6 Million kg (7.9 Million lbs)

100% = \$579 Thousand

II. ANALYSIS OF IMPORTS (Cont'd)

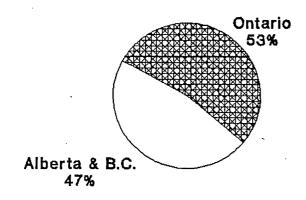
NATURAL GARNET

BY PROVINCE OF CONSIGNEE

JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER 1989

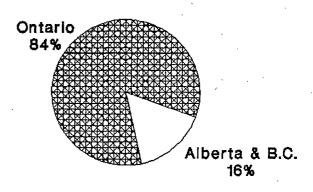
Ontario was the major province of consignee, accounting for 86 thousand kg, (189 thousand lbs) for a value of \$90 thousand, or 53 per cent and 84 per cent of the total quantity and the total value respectively. For further details refer to Appendix B.

Quantity



100% = 161 Thousand kg (355 Thousand lbs)

Value



100% - \$107 Thousand

II. ANALYSIS OF IMPORTS (Cont'd)

KYANITE AND NATURAL GARNET

IMPORT MARKET CONCENTRATION

JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER 1989

KYANITE

Principal Consignees/Importers (By Value)	Cumulative <u>Value</u> (\$000)	Cumulative % of	
3	233	40	
6	371	64	
10	474	82	
All Consignees/Importers (22)	579	100	

There were 22 known consignees/importers of Kyanite during the period January to September 1989. The top six consignees/importers accounted for \$371 thousand or 64 per cent of the total dollar value of imports. All consignees/importers are listed in alphabetical order in Appendix C.

NATURAL GARNET

Principal <u>Consignees/Importers</u> (By Value)	Cumulative <u>Value</u> (\$000)	Cumulative % of <u>Total Value</u>
3	. 87	81
6	102	95
All Consignees/Importers (10)	107	100

There were 10 known consignees/importers of Natural Garnet during the period January to September 1989. The top three consignees/importers accounted for \$87 thousand or 81 per cent of the total dollar value of imports. All consignees/importers are listed in alphabetical order in Appendix C.

III. CANADIAN PRODUCTION

According to Canadian Government sources, Kyanite and Natural Garnet are not mined in Canada.

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IV. MARKET SUMMARY

From the present import analysis, the Canadian 1989 markets for natural kyanite and natural garnet were estimated at \$920 000 (5 800 t) and \$190 000 (300 t) respectively. These markets, which are served almost entirely by U.S. imports, are located mainly in the province of Ontario.

The average unit value for kyanite was calculated at \$162/t for the first 9 months of 1989. Values calculated for different Canadian provinces showed little variation from that average value. The average unit value for garnet for the same period was calculated at \$665/t. However, unlike kyanite, values varied considerably depending on whether garnet was imported in the province of Ontario or in the western provinces. In Ontario, where garnet is used mainly for the manufacture of grinding wheels, lapping compounds and sandpapers, the mineral is purchased at around \$1 050/t. In Alberta and British Columbia, though, where a lower grade garnet is used in sandblasting, the mineral is imported at \$225/t.

Due to the decline of activities in the steel and other metallurgical operations in North America, the demand for kyanite may show little growth in the future. The demand for this mineral could also be affected by competition from other materials (such as andalusite, sillimante, bauxite and kaolin) that can also be utilized as starting materials to produce synthetic mullite, a major component of refractory products. North American markets for garnet in traditional areas (grinding wheels, lapping compounds and sandpapers) are expected to show little or not growth. In new areas, such as water filtration and water-jet cutting, the industry is not too optimistic. However, in the area of sandblasting, a very rapid growth may occur if regulations prohibit the use of environmentally problematic silica. This growth would nevertheless be tied to the ability of producing a good quality garnet at a competitive price.

APPENDIX A

IMPORTS OF KYANITE BY MESH SIZE

JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER 1989

Mesh Size		% of Total Quantity	<u>Value</u> (\$000)	% of Total <u>Value</u>
35	2 861 1 29	8 36	194	34
40, 42 and 200*	. 95 4	3 1	6	1
48	936 42	5 12	82	14
100	3 323 1 50	7 42	229	40
325	498 22	6	. 59	10
Not Known	146 6	<u>2</u>	9	2
TOTAL	7 859 3 56	5 100	579	100

^{*} Aggregated to preserve confidentiality of Canadian importers.

APPENDIX A

IMPORTS OF NATURAL GARNET BY MESH SIZE

JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER 1989

Mesh Size	Quanti (000 lbs)		% of Total Quantity	<u>Value</u> (\$000)	% of Total Value
8, 16, 30 and 36*	161	73	45	19	18
40, 50 and 60*	10	5	3	7	6
80	24	11	7	9	8
100	53	24	15	30	28
120, 150, 220, 240, 280 and 325*	<u>108</u>	_50	<u>31</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>40</u>
TOTAL	356	163	100	108	100

 $f \star$ Aggregated to preserve confidentiality of Canadian importers.

APPENDIX B

IMPORTS OF KYANITE AND NATURAL GARNET BY PROVINCE OF CONSIGNEE

JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER, 1989

KYANITE

Province of Consignee	<u>Quantity</u> (000 lbs) (000 kg)	% of Total Quantity	<u>Value</u> (\$000)	% of Total <u>Value</u>
Ontario	6 188 2 807	79	450	78
Québec) British)* Columbia)	1 670 758	21	128	22
TOTAL	7 858 3 565	100	578	100

NATURAL GARNET

Province of Consignee	<u>Quantity</u> (000 lbs) (000 kg)		% of Total Quantity	<u>Value</u> (\$000)	% of Total Value
Ontario	189	86	53	90	84
Alberta) British)* Columbia)	166 ——	75	47	17	16 ——
TOTAL	355	161	100	107	100

^{*} Aggregated to preserve confidentiality of Canadian importers.

APPENDIX C

CANADIAN IMPORTERS KYANITE AND NATURAL GARNET

JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER, 1989

Importers of Kyanite and Natural Garnet during the period January to September, 1989, as indicated in this report, are listed below in alphabetical order. Where the importer is not the same as the consignee (i.e. the recipient of the goods shipped), the name of the consignee rather than that of the importer is listed. The importer or consignee is not necessarily the end-user of the product.

NOTE: This list includes all importers except individuals.

KYANITE

Name

Alchem Inc. Apgreen Refractories Ltd. BMI Refractories, Inc.

C-E Refractories Ltd. Canadian Ferro Hot Metal Specialties Ltd. Canadian Foundry Supplies Ltd. Clayburn Industries Ltd. Distek Ind. Inc. Duquesne Refractories, Inc. Foseco Canada Inc. Hamilton Porcelains Ltd. Narco Canada Inc. Plibrico Canada, Ltd. Riverside Refractories Canada Ltd. Stratford Clay Supply Ltd. Thermal Ceramics Ltd.

NATURAL GARNET

<u>Name</u>

3 M Canada Inc.
Antratech Western, Ltd.
Atomic Energy of Canada
Carborundum Abrasives Inc.
General Refractories Co. of
Canada Ltd.
Griffin Canada Inc.
McCabe Bros. Steel Inc.
O.C.L. Industrial Materials Ltd.
Premier Refractories, Inc.
Qit-Fer et Titane Inc.
Ritchey Supply Ltd.
Tyboscope Canada Inc.

Address

Burlington, Ont. Weston, Ont. Burlington, Ont. Smithville, Ont. Weston, Ont. Welland, Ont.

Stoney Creek, Ont.

Toronto, Ont. Abbotsford, B.C. Ville D'Anjou, Qué.

Montreal, Qué. Guelph, Ont. Brantford, Ont. Caledonia, Ont. Burlington, Ont.

Nanticoke, Ont. Stratford, Ont. Burlington, Ont.

Address

London, Ont. Calgary, Alta. Mississauga, Ont. Plattsville, Ont.

Smithville, Ont. St.Hyacinthe, Qué. Stoney Creek, Ont. Surrey, B.C. Welland, Ont. Sorel, Qué. Mississauga, Ont. Nisku, Alta.

APPENDIX D

FOREIGN EXPORTERS TO CANADA KYANITE AND NATURAL GARNET

JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER, 1989

Exporters to Canada of Kyanite and Natural Garnet are listed below in descending order of dollar value. Names are as shown on the shipping documents.

Kyanite	!		Value of
<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>		Exports to Canada (\$000)
Kyanite Mining Corp. Riverside Refractories, Inc.	Dillwyn, VA. USA Pell City, AL. USA))*)	579
Natural Garnet	· :		17 3 0
<u>Name</u>	Address		Value of Exports to Canada (\$000)
Barton Mines Corp.	North Creek, NY. USA		83
Myers Metals and Minerals, Inc. Kyanite Mining Corp. Garnet Abrasive Co. Ltd. United Western Supply Inc.	Seattle, WA. USA Dillwyn, VA. USA Milwaukee, WI. USA Seattle, WA. USA)))*)	24

^{*} Aggregated to preserve confidentiality of Canadian importers.

APPENDIX E

CANADIAN AND FOREIGN TARIFFS

Kyanite and Natural Garnet included in this analysis were dutiable under the following Canadian tariff items.

_	Description of Goods	Tariff Treatment		
Tariff Item		Most Favoured Nation Tariff	General Preferential Tariff	United States Tariff
	Other clays (not including expanded clays of heading No. 68.06) andalusite, kyanite and sillimanite, whether or not calcined; mullite; chamotte or dinas earths.			
2508.50.00	-Andalusite, kyanite and sillimanite	Free	X	Free
	Pumice stone; emery; natural corundum, natural garnet and other natural abrasives, whether or not heat-treated.			
2513.29.00	Other	Free	Free	Free

Where the symbol "X" appears in the column "General Preferential Tariff", the rate of customs duty that applies to those goods is the "Most-Favoured-Nation Tariff".

TARIFF ARRANGEMENTS AND FOREIGN COUNTRIES OF EXPORT

The United States qualifies for the Most Favoured Nation or United States tariff treatment.

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APPENDIX F

RECONCILIATION

Imports of Kyanite and Natural Garnet during the months of January to September, 1989 as reported on documents analyzed in this report, amounted to \$686 thousand. The value reported in this import analysis does not correspond to the official Statistics Canada figure of \$2.0 million for various reasons. Reconciliation of the two total figures is as follows:

KYANITE

<u>Values Accounted For</u>	<u>Value</u> (\$000)
Value reported by Statistics Canada but not included in this report (e.g. documents not available) and products other than kyanite	353
Total values reported in this import analysis	<u>579</u>
Total values accounted for as above	932
Total values published by Statistics Canada	932

NATURAL GARNET

Values Accounted For	<u>Value</u> (\$000)
Value reported by Statistics Canada but not included in this report (e.g. documents not available) and products other than natural garnet	974
Total values reported in this import analysis	107
Total values accounted for as above	1 081
Total values published by Statistics Canada	1 081

