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Figure 4-1: Evidence of flocculation of the flaky slimes (a) onto coarser sand grains, and (b) into flocs of slimes.





Figure 4-2: Mizpah Whole Tailings: Grading by sieve and sedimentation tests compared with the grading derived from SEM micrographs.





Figure 4-3: (a) Idealised family of Critical State Lines, (b) Normalised Critical State Line (Schofield & Wroth, 1968).







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Figure 4-5: Isotropic compression behaviour of the tailings considered in this study.











Figure 4-7: Isotropic compression data normalised with the Liquidity Index after Schofield & Wroth (1968).



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Figure 4-8: Predicting the compression behaviour of gold tailings using  $I_{\rm L}$  and the Atterberg limits.

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Figure 4-9: Isotropic compression data normalised with the Void Index after Burland (1990).



Figure 4-10: Predicting the compression behaviour of gold tailings using  $I_{\nu}$  and the Atterberg limits.

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Figure 4-11: Isotropic compression data normalised with the Void Index in terms of critical state parameters.





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Figure 4-12: Predicting the compression behaviour of gold tailings using empirical correlations between CSSM-parameters and the Atterberg limits.

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Figure 4-13: In-situ undisturbed void ratio's compared with reconstituted compression curves.











Figure 4-15: Gold Tailings: Bulk Stiffness data.











Figure 4-17: Coefficient of Compressibility as a function of the isotropic confinement pressure.





Figure 4-18: Bulk Stiffness as a function of the isotropic confinement pressure.





Figure 4-19: (a) Derivation of theoretical  $t_{100}$  from the volume change square root time consolidation curve for a triaxial specimen, (b) Theoretical relationships between time factor and degree of consolidation for vertical triaxial drainage for two methods of measurement.











Figure 4-21: Coefficient of Consolidation as a function of the isotropic confinement pressure.







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Figure 4-23: Critical state parameters for reconstituted Mizpah whole tailings.





Figure 4-24: Mohr's Circles for reconstituted Mizpah whole tailings.

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Figure 4-25: Critical state parameters for reconstituted Mizpah pond tailings.







































Figure 4-32: Two dimensional projections of the Pay Dam Cam-Clay state boundary surfaces.





Figure 4-33: Piezocone probe results for a cross section of the Mizpah tailings dam.







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Figure 4-35: (a) The Jones and Rust (1982) soils identification chart for use with the piezocone, (b) as modified by the author.





Figure 4-36: The Robertson and Campanella soils identification charts for use with the piezocone (Robertson, 1990).

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Figure 4-38: Penetration data for Pay Dam Penstock represented on the soils identification chart.















Figure 4-41: Estimates of the coefficient of consolidation based on Piezocone dissipation tests in Mizpah and Pay Dam.





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Figure 4-43: Use of the effective stress formulation proposed by Senneset et.al. (1982; 1988) to model the CPTU in tailings.







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Figure 4-45: Use of the state parameter approach proposed by Been et.al. (1985) to model the CPTU in tailings.



Figure 4-46: State parameter values from field penetration data.

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Figure 4-47: CPTU cross section of Mizpah highlighting the lower and upper boundary cone resistance measurements.