Frequently Asked Questions: Mineral Substances

1. **What is a Mineral Substance?**

A mineral substance (also termed "industrial mineral") is a substance classified as a mineral under the current *Mineral Tenure Act* but was not included in the definition of mineral in the former *Mineral Act* (RSBC 1979) and earlier versions. The *Mineral Tenure Act* (MTA) was proclaimed on August 15, 1988. Prior to the MTA these mineral substances were administered by the *Land Act*.

2. **Is there a list of mineral substances?**

No. However, this may include, but is not limited to, dolomite, clay, geyserite, limestone, marble, pumice, or shale. Definitions in the *Mineral Tenure Act* are available in [Section 1 of the Mineral Tenure Act](#).