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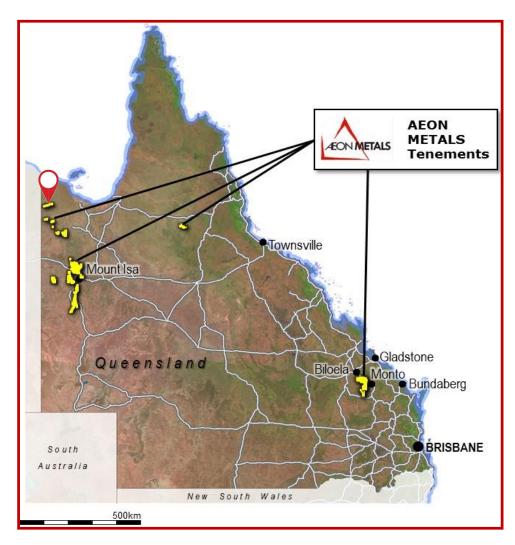
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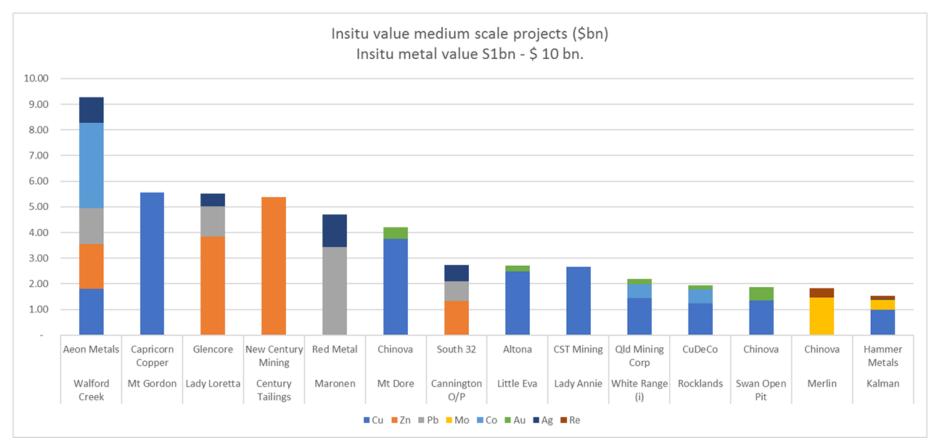
### QUEENSLAND ASSET BASE

- ✓ FLAGSHIP WALFORD CREEK PROJECT 100%
  - ✓ Large Global JORC Resource¹
    - √ 296,000t of copper
    - √ 60kt of cobalt
    - √ 623,000t of zinc
    - √ 626,000t of lead
    - √ 55moz of silver
  - ✓ PEA completed on high grade subset "Vardy Zone" in Feb 2017.
  - ✓ Large scale Cobalt Roasting Scoping Study completed in April 2017 to unlock global cobalt Resource value.





## NORTHWEST QUEENSLAND RESOURCES



Source: Core Resources





#### ADVANCED, LARGE BASE METALS RESOURCE



# LARGE SEDIMENT HOSTED MINERAL SYSTEM

- Mineralisation is both **structurally and lithologically** controlled Fish River
  Fault.
- ✓ Potential for resource extensions along the strike-length of the Fish River fault & at depth.
- ✓ High grade Vardy Resource supports early development.



#### VARDY PEA COMPLETED

- World class service providers
  - Amec Foster Wheeler, AMDAD, H&S.
- ✓ BFS next stage.

#### Walford Creek Global Resources (March 2015)

Walford Creek 2014-5 Resource Estimates										
Category	Mt	Cu %	Pb %	Zn %	Ag g/t	Co %				
Indicated	16.3	0.46	0.83	1.02	20.1	0.091				
Inferred	57.1	0.39	0.86	0.80	24.5	0.079				
Total	73.3	0.40	0.85	0.85	23.5	0.081				

Walford Creek 2014-5 Resource Estimates											
Category	Cu Tonnes	Pb Tonnes	Zn Tonnes	Ag Mozs	Co Tonnes						
Indicated	74,700	134,800	166,300	10.5	14,800						
Inferred	220,800	491,200	456,900	45.0	44,800						
Total	Total 295,500 626,000 623,200 55.5 59,600										

At 0.55% CuEquiv cut-off: See Appendix 1 for competent persons statement.



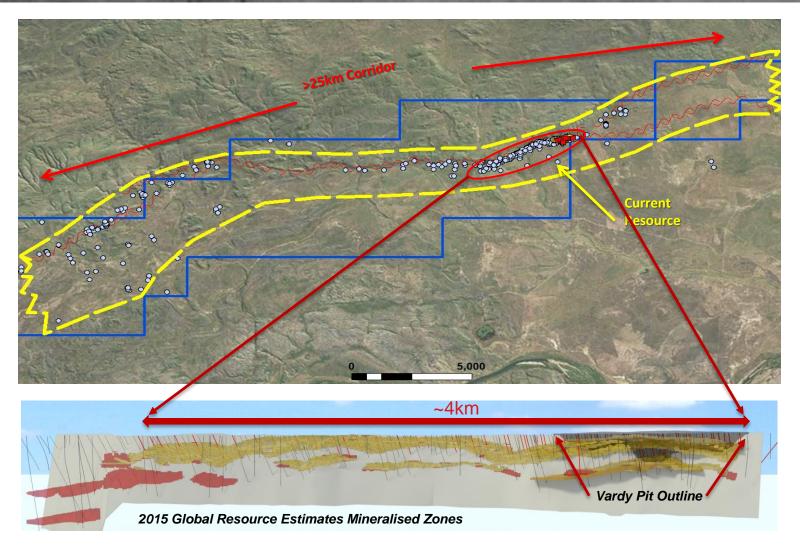
# SULPHIDE COBALT RESOURCE IN AUSTRALA

- ✓ 60kt Cobalt metal in Global Resource
- ✓ Large scale cobalt roasting Scoping Study completed to unlock this global cobalt Resource value

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# +25KM MINERALISED FAULT CORRIDOR





#### HIGH GRADE VARDY RESOURCE

- ✓ Near surface/close to fault.
- ✓ On 25 October, 2016 a new highgrade "subset" Resource announced. This was upgraded again in December.
- ✓ The estimate is for a 1km eastern zone, within the 4km Global Resource, now referred to as Vardy.
- ✓ The new Resource opens the possibility of an initial mining development focused on the Vardy Zone:
  - ✓ High grade Cu & Co
  - ✓ Shallow
  - ✓ Robust economics
- ✓ PEA announced 15 Feb 2017

#### **Vardy Resource Statement** (December 2016<sup>1</sup>)

	Walford Creek Vardy Resource Statement										
Category	Volume m <sup>3</sup>	Mt	Cu %	Pb %	Zn %	Ag g/t	Co %	Pyrite %			
Measured	284,625	1.0	1.14	0.84	0.83	25.9	0.17	46.0			
Indicated	645,000	2.2	1.26	0.80	0.93	26.4	0.18	42.2			
Inferred	1,023,375	3.4	1.28	0.68	0.63	25.0	0.15	36.5			
Total	1,953,000	6.6	1.25	0.74	0.76	25.6	0.16	39.8			

	Walford Creek Vardy Resource Statement										
Category	Cu kt Pb kt Zn kt Ag Mozs Co kt Py kt Density t/m³										
Measured	11	8	8	0.8	1.6	445	3.40				
Indicated	28	18	21	1.9	4.0	932	3.42				
Inferred	43	23	21	2.7	5.2	1,244	3.33				
Total	82	49	50	5.4	10.8	2,621	3.37				

<sup>1.</sup> Announced to the ASX on 22 December 2016.



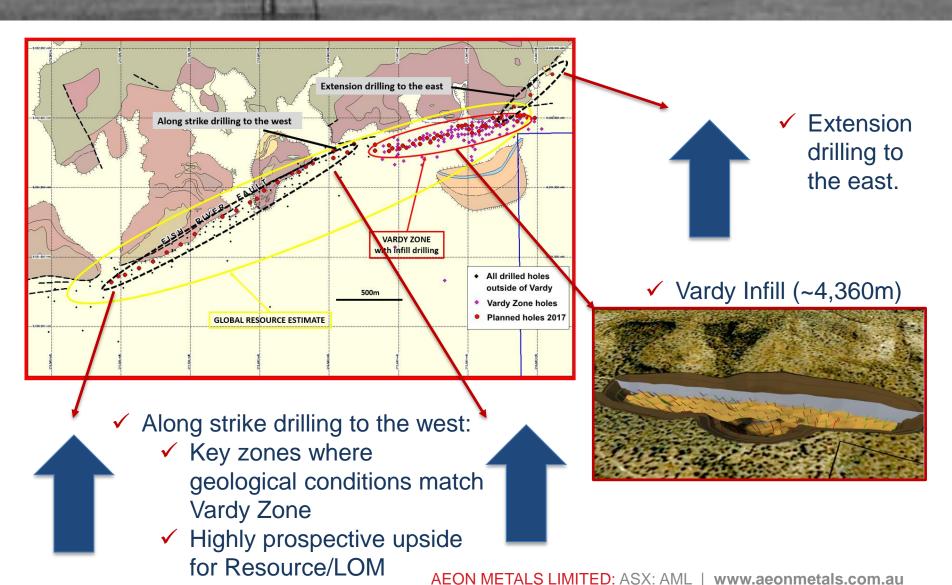
#### VARDY ZONE PEA SUMMARY

#### PEA Announced 15 Feb 2017<sup>1,2</sup>

- ✓ 600ktpa throughput plant resulting in life-of mine ("LOM") production of 38kt copper, 29kt zinc, and 3kt cobalt metals in concentrate.
- ✓ Projected life of mine revenue from copper, zinc, silver and cobalt estimated at \$579M.
- ✓ Operating cost of \$97/t of ROM production.
- ✓ Estimated capital cost to first production of \$97M.
- ✓ Confidence that estimated costs will be reduced.
- ✓ Projected LOM net cash flow of \$84M (incl. capital) with average EBITDA of ~\$39M per year.
- ✓ Bankable Feasibility Study next stage.
- ✓ Subject to funding and necessary Government approvals aiming for first production Q1-2019.
- ✓ 2017 drill campaign focused on LOM extension and/or expansion.
- Refer to ASX 15 Feb 2017 and 6 March announcements regarding PEA references
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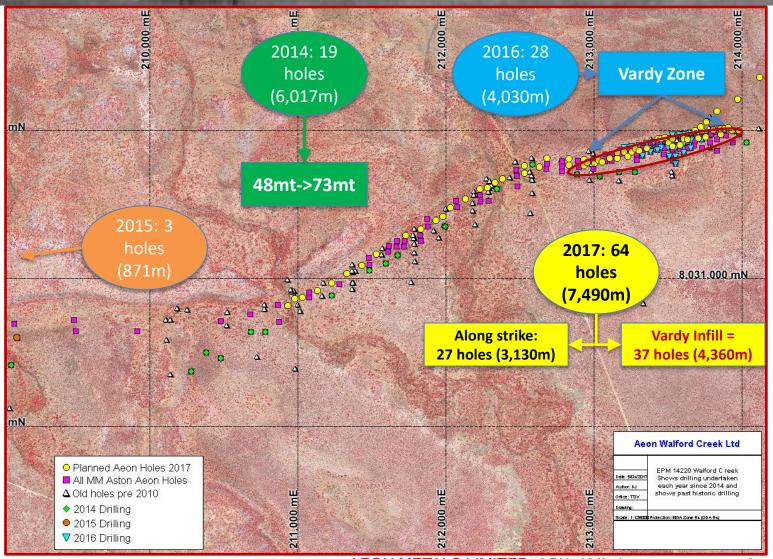
### 2017 DRILL CAMPAIGN



extension.



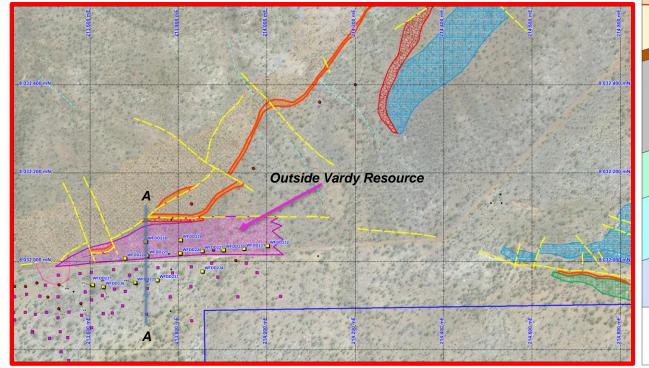
### DRILL DOLLARS = BOLT ON VALUE

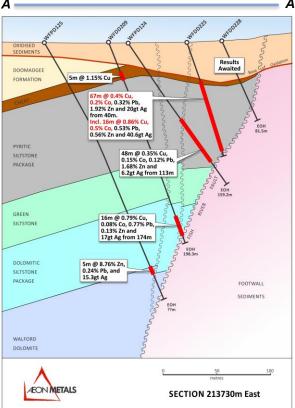




#### RECENT RESULTS - HIGH GRADE COBALT

- ✓ First assay results reveal high grade cobalt outside of Vardy Resource.
- ✓ Significant intercepts to date include
  - ✓ WFDD225: 67m @ 0.20% Co and 0.40% Cu from 57m
    - ✓ Including 16m @ 0.50% Co and 0.86% Cu from 58m
  - ✓ WFDD226: 26m @ 0.26% Co and 1.0% Cu from 71m
  - ✓ WFDD227: 5m @ 0.15% Co and 0.5% Cu from 73m.





Current Drill Holes Plan: Yellow = 2017 To Date

X-Section A



## COBALT = POWER STORAGE

#### **Demand**

- Cobalt is consumed by major industries with rechargeable lithium-ion batteries becoming a major Co use. "The problem with existing leadacid batteries is that they suck" – Elon Musk
- 2016 global demand = ~93kt
- Batteries were ~11% of Co consumption in 2002, and is now +40%. A new battery "Gigafactory" planned by Tesla could on its own lift Co demand by 30-35kt/pa.

#### Supply

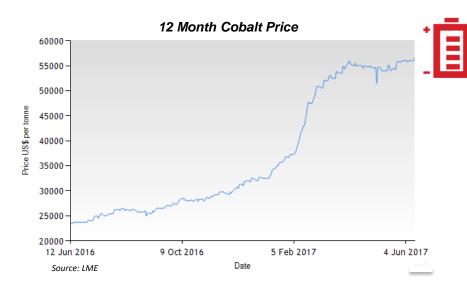
- The DRC contains more than 50% of the world's cobalt resources and produces +60% of the world's cobalt. This is forecast to increase.
- China reliance on the DRC for Co (~93%).
- Challenges for ethical production.

#### **Walford Creek Global Co Resource:**

73.3mt @ 0.081% Co = ~60kt.

High grade component in Vardy Zone:

6.6mt @ 0.16% Co = ~11kt







20Million

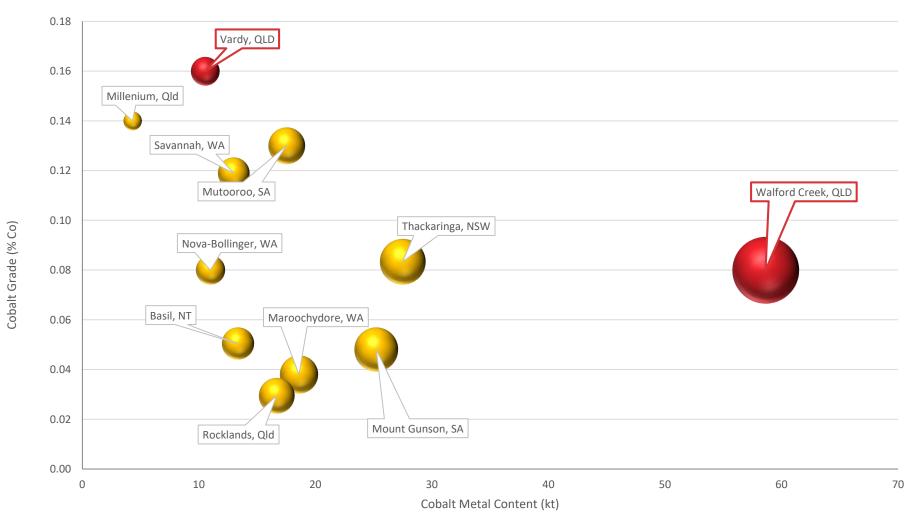
157,000

2004 2010

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#### ÆON METALS

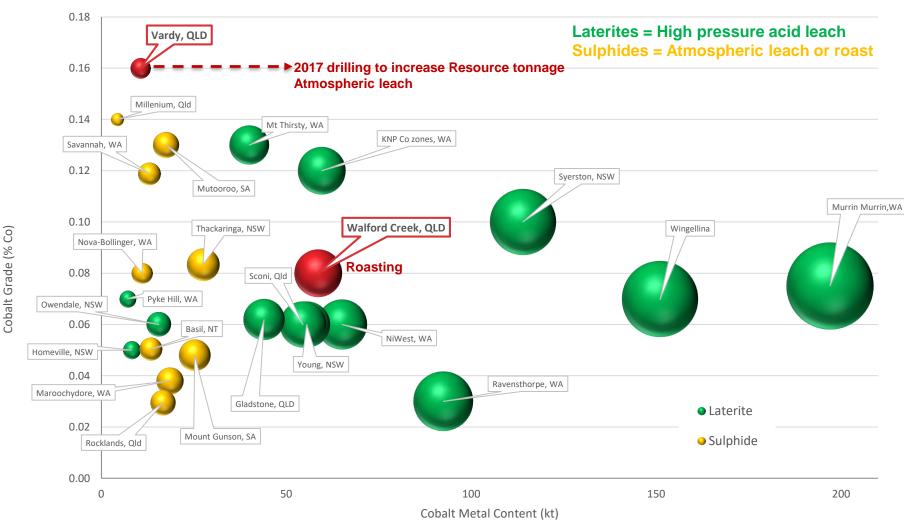
# LARGEST COBALT SULPHIDE RESOURCE IN AUSTRALIA X 2



Source: Company announcements, Terra Studio. Copper-cobalt sulphide mineral resources only. Bubble size relates to cobalt metal content.



## AUSTRALIAN LATERITES VS SULPHIDES

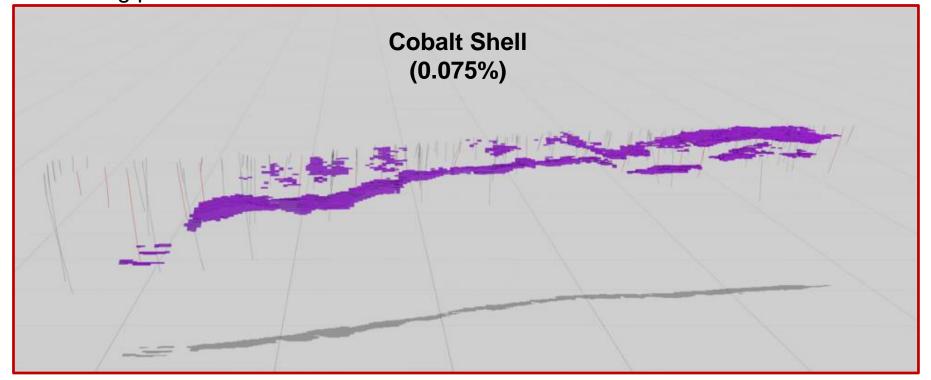


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#### 60KT COBALT RESOURCE

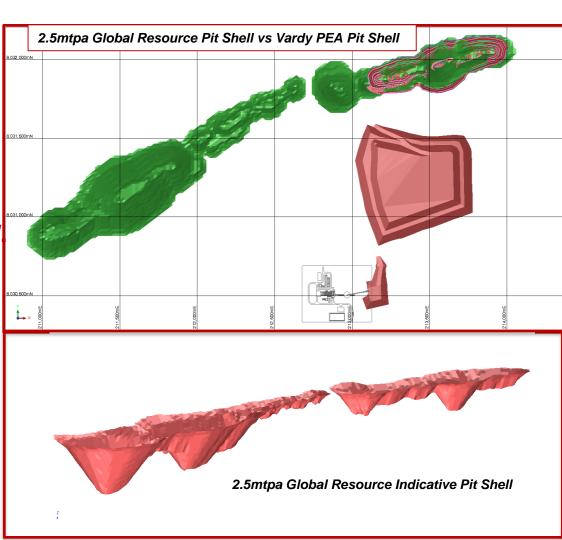
- Cobalt consistent throughout current Walford Global Resource.
- Cobalt occurs within pyrite lenses.
- ✓ Cobalt value accounts for ~\$4.4b or 37% of the in-situ metal value of the Global Resource
- Scoping Study completed in April 2017 to assess economic extraction utilising roasting process.





#### COBALT ROASTING SCOPING STUDY SUMMARY

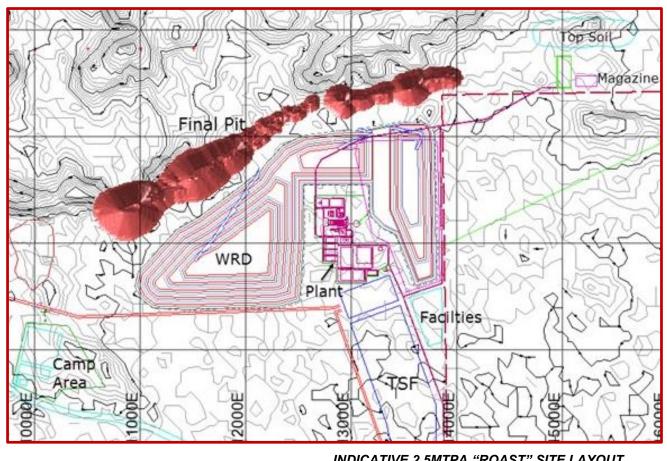
- Optimised open pit for 2.5Mtpa ROM ore over 15 years;
- Conventional float mill to produce copper, zinc, lead and pyrite concentrates.
- The pyrite concentrate processed through an onsite roaster to produce cobalt metal via SX/EW
- Cogen plant enables electricity to be produced onsite.
- An acid plant will also be built producing sulphuric acid.
- ✓ Produce over 15 years on average approx:
  - √ 1.2ktpa of cobalt,
  - √ 8ktpa of copper
  - √ 15ktpa of zinc;
  - √ 13ktpa of lead;
- ✓ Generate ~1.3Mtpa of sulphuric acid.





#### COBALT ROASTING SCOPING STUDY SUMMARY

- ✓ Operating cost of \$74/t of ROM production.
- ✓ Estimated total capital cost is ~A\$668M, including A\$33M mining pre-strip costs and A\$55M contingency.
- Payback period is ~3 years.
- Robust financial metrics which include an after tax NPV<sub>8</sub>% of ~A\$458M and an IRR of ~19%.

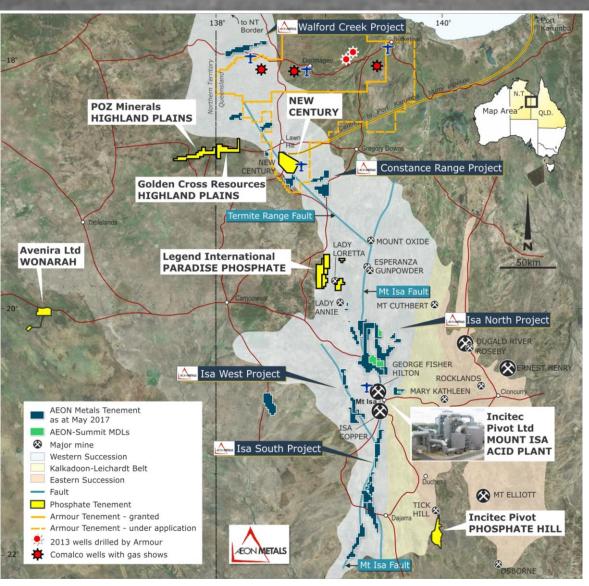


INDICATIVE 2.5MTPA "ROAST" SITE LAYOUT



### POSSIBLE ACID SOLUTION

- ✓ The addition of sulphuric acid to phosphate rock to produce the high value (~A\$820/t) phosphoric acid product enables the reduction of volume, materially enhances the margin and by default significantly boosts the value of the acid.
- An example of this is as follows:
  - 1.3Mtpa Sulphuric Acid +
     1.9Mtpa Phosphate = 470ktpa
     Phosphoric Acid
- ✓ All Cobalt Roasting technical components conventional in nature.
- ✓ All the ingredients in place.





### **NEXT STEPS**

#### **Vardy Development:**

Project Implementation	2017				2018			2019		
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
Environmental Approvals/Permitting	-			<b>→</b>						
Vardy Infill & Extension Drilling	3		$\longrightarrow$							
Bankable Feasibility Study	_		_							
Detailed Design			*		•					
Site Preparation and Pre Strip					_					
Construction					2		,	<b>→</b>		
Commissioning								-	<b>-</b>	
First Production									7	7

**Drilling results to start flowing early June.** 

#### **Corporate:**

Cobalt roasting and acid assessment in parallel to Vardy development.



**COUNTER** 

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#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS & MANAGEMENT**



PAUL HARRIS CHAIRMAN

25 years' experience in financial markets and Resources investment banking. Recent position was Managing Director, Head of Metals and Mining at Citi.



HAMISH COLLINS
MANAGING DIRECTOR

24 years' combined experience in mining industry and mining investment banking, including mergers & acquisitions and project financing.



**STEPHEN LONERGAN**NON-EXEC DIRECTOR

More than 30 years involvement as director. legal counsel and/or company secretary in the for companies in the Australian and international mining industry. Mr Lonergan has been Company Secretary of Aeon Metals Limited since 28 September 2006.



IVAN WONG
NON-EXEC DIRECTOR

More than 20 years experience in running various businesses in Australia. Mr Wong has well established connections in China.



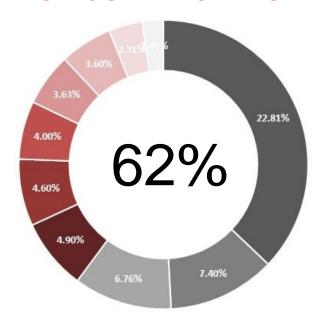
DAN JOHNSON
EXPLORATION
MANAGER
More than 30 years experience in exploration management in Australia and overseas.



### CAPITAL STRUCTURE & SHAREHOLDER REGISTER



#### TOP 10 SHAREHOLDERS1



#### TOP 5 SHAREHOLDERS1

TOTAL TOP 5	46.5%
SLW Minerals Corporation	4.6%
Goody	4.9%
Bliss Investments	6.8%
Washington H Soul Pattinson & Company	7.4%
HSBC Custody Nominees (OCP Holdings)	22.8%

- 1. As at 14 June 2017
- Tranche 1: 63.25M with strike of \$0.158 for face value of \$10M. Expiry 17 June 2017
   Tranche 2: 73.00M with strike of \$0.094 for face value of ~\$6.86M. Expiry 17 Dec 2017
- 3. As at 31 March 2017
- 4. Inclusive of capitalised interest as per 17 March 2017.

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#### **APPENDIX 1: COMPETENT PERSON STATEMENT**

The data in this report that relates to Mineral Resource Estimates for the Walford Creek Deposit and Vardy Zone Deposit is based on information evaluated by Mr Simon Tear who is a Member of The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (MAusIMM) and who has sufficient experience relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as Competent Persons as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (the "JORC Code"). Mr Tear is a Director of H&S Consultants Pty Ltd and he consents to the inclusion in the presentation of the Mineral Resources in the form and context in which they appear.

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Targets and Exploration Results for the Walford Creek Deposit and Vardy Zone Deposit is based on information compiled Mr Dan Johnson who is a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists and who has sufficient experience relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (the "JORC Code"). Mr Dan Johnson is a full-time employee of Aeon Metals and consents to the inclusion in the presentation of the Exploration Targets and Exploration Results in the form and context in which they appear.



# APPENDIX 2: ASSUMPTIONS

Economic and Commodity Price Assumptions								
Item	Value							
Exchange Rate (US\$:A\$)	0.725							
Commodity Prices								
Copper (US\$/lb)	3.30							
Zinc (US\$/lb)	1.25							
Lead (US\$/lb)	0.86							
Silver (US\$/oz)	20.00							
Cobalt (US\$/lb)	20.41							

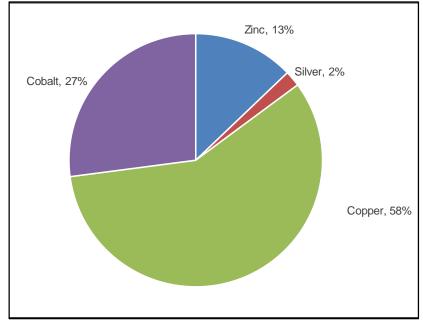


# APPENDIX 3: VARDY – METRIC ESTIMATES

Key Project Production Metrics – LOM										
Commodity	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024				
Grade										
Copper (%)	1.73	1.11	1.14	0.94	0.92	1.04				
Zinc (%)	0.59	1.11	1.55	0.70	1.60	0.79				
Lead (%)	0.75	0.76	0.46	0.79	1.08	1.31				
Silver(g/t)	27.50	24.54	20.79	27.58	27.48	28.07				
Cobalt (ppm)	1,805	2,092	1,848	1,779	2,118	1,397				

Concentrate Production Profile – Six Years											
Commodity	2019	2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024									
Metal Recovery (%)											
Copper	97.15	95.54	95.65	94.76	94.66	75.17					
Zinc	57.26	77.52	84.02	64.39	84.69	65.73					
Cobalt	48.4	48.4	48.4	48.4	48.4	48.4					
Concentrate											
Copper (t)	40,917	27,823	28,390	25,684	25,789	22,897					
Zinc (t)	4,317	9,338	13,582	5,427	14,492	6,145					
Cobalt (t)	1,362	1,578	1,394	1,342	1,598	1,029					

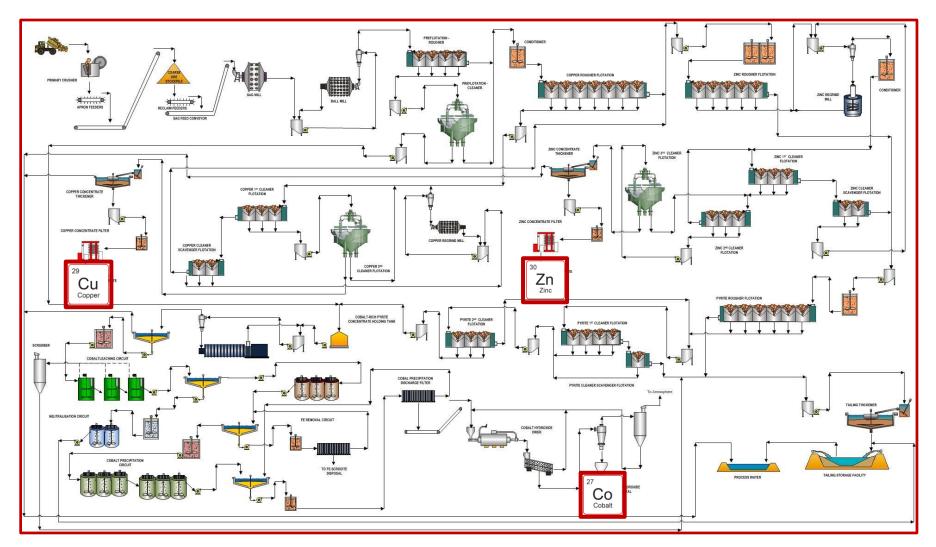
Contained Metal										
Commodity 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 <b>Total</b>										
Copper (t)	10,102	6,340	6,514	5,356	5,248	4,598	38,158			
Zinc (t)	2,013	5,140	7,808	2,712	8,141	3,034	28,848			
Cobalt (t)	524	607	537	517	615	396	3,196			



Life of Mine Concentrate Revenue Split<sup>1</sup>



# APPENDIX 4: VARDY PROCESSING FLOWSHEET



# APPENDIX 5: COBALT ROASTING – METRIC ESTIMATES

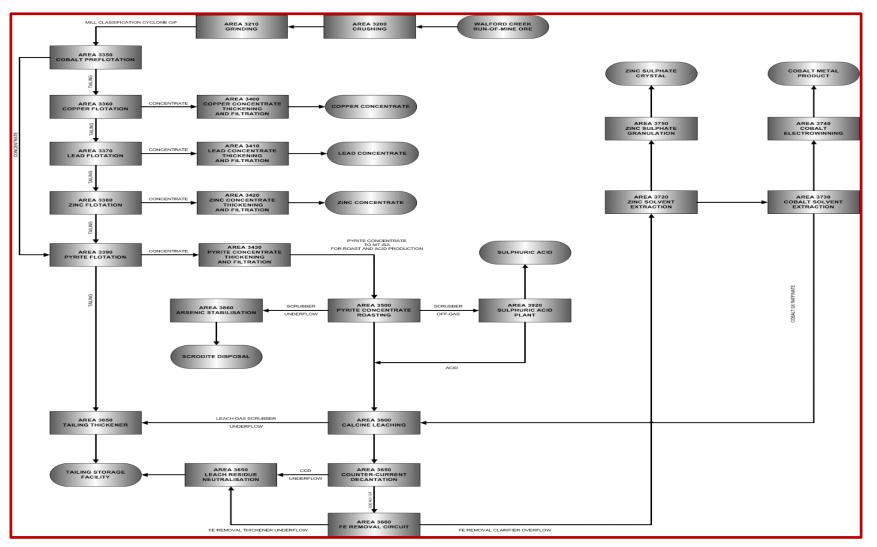
Recoveries by Production Year									
				ا	Recovery (%	5)			
	Copper	Lead	Zi	nc	Cobalt		Silver		Pyrite
	Cu Conc	Pb Conc	Zn Conc	Zn Precip	Co Cathode	Cu Conc	Pb Conc	Zn Conc	Pyrite Conc
YR2	60%	64%	35%	51%	67%	5%	11%	3%	84%
YR3	92%	67%	45%	32%	65%	9%	9%	4%	59%
YR4	89%	43%	72%	13%	67%	12%	4%	6%	71%
YR5	74%	33%	73%	15%	67%	9%	3%	8%	84%
YR6	38%	0%	48%	40%	68%	3%	0%	11%	93%
YR7	45%	49%	56%	27%	59%	2%	10%	8%	74%
YR8	48%	59%	57%	25%	56%	2%	12%	7%	69%
YR9	85%	42%	64%	18%	80%	5%	9%	10%	70%
YR10	74%	52%	70%	16%	59%	4%	14%	10%	69%
YR11	69%	77%	69%	18%	63%	5%	16%	7%	83%
YR12	81%	81%	74%	11%	61%	7%	13%	7%	72%
YR13	90%	70%	72%	15%	67%	12%	9%	6%	78%
YR14	91%	57%	59%	26%	62%	14%	5%	5%	80%
YR15	92%	76%	74%	11%	55%	15%	7%	6%	75%
YR16	93%	81%	71%	57%	264%	14%	8%	6%	346%

		C	Contained Me	etal	
	Copper	Zinc	Lead	Cobalt	Silver
	kt	kt	kt	kt	kozs
YR1	2.77	5.10	9.19	0.422	203
YR2	14.64	8.76	14.97	1.398	331
YR3	15.30	17.91	6.89	2.353	333
YR4	7.88	20.17	4.78	1.252	315
YR5	1.75	12.62	0.00	0.706	299
YR6	2.01	11.30	8.21	0.589	364
YR7	2.05	11.21	11.00	0.568	375
YR8	5.13	15.50	6.43	0.923	400
YR9	4.97	18.58	8.57	0.807	409
YR10	5.40	17.53	26.31	0.871	520
YR11	6.93	21.57	35.62	0.910	497
YR12	14.44	20.62	17.74	1.840	484
YR13	17.00	13.14	11.08	2.400	523
YR14	18.96	22.01	26.71	2.381	1003
YR15	2.45	3.64	5.15	0.284	115

<sup>1.</sup> See Appendix 2 for Economic and Commodity Price Assumptions



# APPENDIX 6: COBALT ROASTING PROCESSING FLOWSHEET





## APPENDIX 7: COBALT ROASTING/PHOSPHATE FLOWSHEET

