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## **REPORT FOR THE QUARTER** **ended 31 December 2024**

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- **Achieved Lost Time Injury free during the quarter.**
- **Increase in cash and liquid investments balance to A\$298.05 million and trade receivable of A\$752.2k\* compared with cash and liquid investments balance of A\$249.47 million and trade receivable of A\$24.63\* million for the September quarter.**
- **Pellet sales increased for the quarter to 668kt compared with 647kt for the September quarter.**
- **First raise bore hole successfully completed for the primary ventilation circuit for the North Pit underground development.**
- **Concentrate production increased for the quarter with 683kt produced compared to 668kt for the September quarter due to improved weight recovery.**
- **Average received prices for the quarter remained stable at US\$118.91/t (A\$180.59/t)\* (FOB Port Latta) compared to US\$121.64/t (A\$182.74/t)\* for the September quarter.**
- **Unit cash operating cost decreased for the quarter to A\$133.65/t compared with A\$146.37/t for the September quarter due to higher concentrate production.**
- **Appointment of BurnVoir Corporate Finance to arrange financing for the development of the North Pit Underground Project (NPUG Project).**

**Outlay of approximately A\$31.2 million has been made in the quarter on capital projects including continuation of the Underground Exploration Decline, Furnace 25 Year Refractory Reline, 789 Haul Truck Rebuilds, Face Shovel Rebuild and upgrades to Savage River townsite accommodation.**

*\* adjusted for the costs of freight and final pricing settlements on provisional settlements as per sales agreements.*



Commenting on the company’s performance in the December quarter, CEO Mr. Weidong Wang said:

“The operations have recovered well post the weather events at the end of Q3 and start of Q4. This was achieved with the exceptional efforts of our workforce, which enabled improved production and lower operating costs.

We also saw iron ore prices improving during the quarter on improved steel margins and stimulus measures announced out of China.” said CEO Mr. Weidong Wang.

## SAVAGE RIVER OPERATIONS

### PRODUCTION

	December Quarter 2024	September Quarter 2024	June Quarter 2024
<b>Total BCM Mined</b>	3,772,607	3,697,970	4,264,290
<b>Total Ore BCM</b>	524,515	565,781	647,990
<b>Concentrate Produced (t)</b>	683,117	668,202	674,584
<b>Weight Recovery (%)</b>	41.1	40.5	40.7
<b>Pellets Produced (t)</b>	598,303	655,781	660,109
<b>Pellet Stockpile (t)</b>	242,913	312,695	303,966
<b>Concentrate Stockpile (t)</b>	115,862	70,904	97,626

Achieved over 600 days Lost Time Injury free for the quarter.

Mining production saw an overall increase for the quarter, with pre-stripping in North Pit continuing with the progression of a substantial phase of pre-split drilling.

Centre Pit again delivered more higher-grade ore than planned, with the head grade increasing as we progress deeper into the pit. This has supported strong production results from the concentrator. An area of wall instability in the south end of Centre Pit is being carefully monitored. There has been some movement through the winter months and a step in from the highwall has been implemented to ensure continued ore development.



## SHIPPING AND SALES

	December Quarter 2024	September Quarter 2024	June Quarter 2024
Iron Ore Pellet Sales (dmt)	668,085	647,052	483,247
Iron Ore Concentrate Sales (dmt)	20	-	-
Iron Ore Chip Sales (dmt)	64,757	34,858	34,946
<b>TOTAL Iron Ore Product Sales (dmt)</b>	<b>732,862</b>	<b>681,910</b>	<b>518,193</b>
Average Realised Product Price (US\$/t FOB Port Latta) *	118.91	121.64	134.69
Average Realised Exchange Rate (AUD:USD)	0.6584	0.6656	0.6535
Average Realised Product Price (A\$/t FOB Port Latta)	180.59	182.74	206.11

*\*adjusted for the costs of freight and final pricing settlements on provisional settlements as per sales agreements. Pricing is typically finalised in one to three months after shipment month.*

The average price received during the quarter remained stable at A\$180.59/t (US\$118.91/t) (FOB Port Latta), compared to A\$182.74/t (US\$121.64/t) for the September quarter.

Grange continued to deliver into secured term offtake agreements, with pellets sales during the quarter of 668kt (an increase of 3.3% from 647kt for the September quarter). Sales tonnages during the quarter were affected with loading of a shipment (of approximately 80kt) being delayed as a result of adverse weather conditions, with loading completed on 1 January.

## MINE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

### *North Pit Underground*

The development of the exploration decline continued through the quarter with the completion of the first raise bore hole in the southern primary ventilation circuit. The pilot hole for the second raise bore hole was completed and reaming was commenced. Drilling for a diamond hole was commenced in the geotechnical inspection drive. Other preparation works were undertaken to address the project control system, power supply requirements and engineering for the material handling system.

The focus of underground works is now on completion of the current round of activities in parallel with work being undertaken to progress funding options for the development of the NPUG Project (see Corporate section later in this Report).



### *Centre Pit Extension*

The Company is evaluating an extension of the Centre Pit mine plan as an alternative feed source to complement the North Pit Underground Development. Pursuing parallel development of the Centre Pit is expected to de-risk the broader Savage River Operations and enhance operational flexibility.

## **SOUTHDOWN MAGNETITE PROJECT**

The review of the Definitive Feasibility Study for the Southdown Magnetite Project continues along with the search for equity investors. Once the appropriate partners have joined the Project, a bridging study phase will be undertaken, and a final project description and scope will be produced. This will allow the finalisation of current environmental approvals. All existing tenements, approvals and project assets continue to be maintained in good order to facilitate the development of the Project.

## **CORPORATE**

### *Appointment of independent financial adviser*

The Company is pleased to announce the appointment of leading independent finance advisory group BurnVoir Corporate Finance (“BurnVoir”) as financial adviser to assist in arranging financing for the development of the Company’s 100%-owned North Pit Underground Project.

BurnVoir will work with the Company to secure an attractive, flexible funding package for the development of the North Pit Underground Project designed to maximise value for shareholders. BurnVoir has arranged development and acquisition finance for a large number of mining projects, including for groups such as Pilbara Minerals, IGO, and Sandfire Resources.

### *Shareholders*

As at 31 December 2024 there were approximately 10,200 shareholders.

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This announcement was authorised by the Board.

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## ANNEXURE

### PRODUCTION

	Quarter Ended				Full Year	
	Mar 24	Jun 24	Sep 24	Dec 24	Dec 24	Dec 23
Total BCM Mined	4,514,715	4,264,290	3,697,970	3,772,607	16,249,582	17,529,864
Total Ore BCM	535,827	647,990	565,781	524,515	2,274,113	1,033,932
Concentrate Produced (t)	585,973	674,584	668,202	683,117	2,611,876	2,589,144
Weight Recovery (%)	41.8	40.7	40.5	41.1	41.0	44.4
Pellets Produced (t)	555,457	660,109	655,781	598,303	2,469,650	2,341,654
Pellet Stockpile (t)	127,104	303,966	312,695	242,913	242,913	136,791
Concentrate Stockpile (t)	115,486	97,626	70,904	115,862	115,862	114,316

### SHIPPING AND SALES

	Quarter Ended				Full Year	
	Mar 24	Jun 24	Sep 24	Dec 24	Dec 24	Dec 23
Iron Ore Pellet Sales (dmt)	565,144	483,247	647,052	668,085	2,363,528	2,503,588
Iron Ore Concentrate Sales (dmt)	-	-	-	20	20	24
Iron Ore Chip Sales (dmt)	34,760	34,946	34,858	64,757	169,321	139,010
TOTAL Iron Ore Product Sales (dmt)	599,904	518,193	681,910	732,862	2,532,869	2,642,622
Average Realised Product Price (US\$/t FOB Port Latta)	108.11	134.69	121.64	118.91	120.31	142.06
Average Realised Exchange Rate (AUD:USD)	0.6511	0.6535	0.6656	0.6584	0.6577	0.6675
Average Realised Product Price (A\$/t FOB Port Latta)	166.03	206.11	182.74	180.59	182.94	212.83