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# Highlights

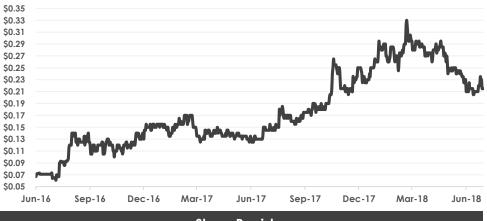
| 1 | Bauxite Hills Mine in production 10 months after construction commenced – as planned |
|---|--|
| 2 | Production Ramping Up – Eight (8) Vessels and 510,000 tonnes shipped to date         |
| 3 | Long life mine delivering into a strongly growing Chinese market                     |
| 4 | Independent Cape York bauxite producer   |
| 5 | Sales underpinned by a binding 4 year offtake agreement (~50% production) with Xinfa |
| 6 | Trial shipments agreed with a range of Chinese customers                             |
|   |  |

### Corporate Snapshot

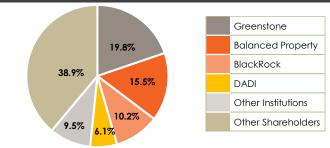
| Capital St                              | ructure   |
|---|-----------|
| Share Price (17 July 2018)              | A\$0.19   |
| Shares on Issue                         | 1,383M    |
| Market Cap                              | A\$262.9M |
| Options Unlisted                        | 31M       |
| Unrestricted Cash (31-Mar-2018)         | A\$34.3M* |
| Debt Facilities                         | A\$39.6M  |
| Enterprise Value                        | A\$268.2M |
| *Incl net proceeds from Capital Raising |           |

| Board of [              | Directors             |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Chairman                | Stephen Everett       |
| Managing Director & CEO | Simon Finnis          |
| Non-Executive Director  | Philip Hennessy       |
| Non-Executive Director  | George Lloyd          |
| Non-Executive Director  | Lindsay Ward          |
| Non-Executive Director  | Mark Sawyer           |
| Non-Executive Director  | Xiaoming (Aaron) Yuan |

Share Price Performance Jan 2015-May 2018

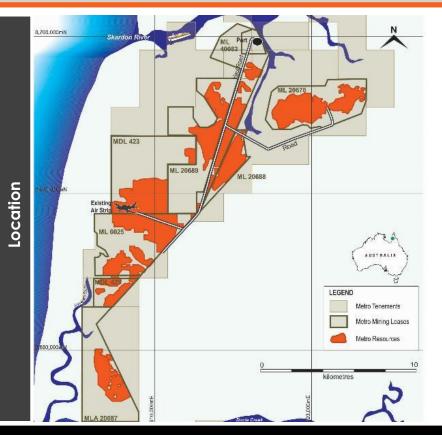


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### **Bauxite Hills Mine Snapshot**

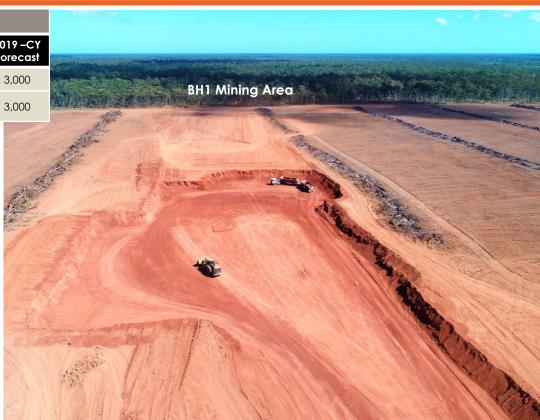


|                      | Ke                                      | ey Statistic         | :s <sup>1</sup> |           |                      |  |
|----------------------|---|----------------------|-----------------|-----------|----------------------|--|
|                      | Ownership:                              | Metro (100%)         |                 |           |                      |  |
| Project Overview     | Commodity                               | Bauxite              |                 |           |                      |  |
|                      | Location:                               | Cape York, Qld       |                 |           |                      |  |
| † Ove                | Product Type                            | Direct Shippin       | ig Ore          |           |                      |  |
| rojec                | Contained Mineral:                      | Reserves             | 92.2Mt1         | Resources | 144.8Mt <sup>1</sup> |  |
| Ŀ                    | Mine Type                               | Surface minin        | g               |           |                      |  |
|                      | Status                                  | Operational          |                 |           |                      |  |
| ₹                    | First Production                        | April 2018           |                 |           |                      |  |
| ervie                | Start-up Production                     | ~2Mtpa               |                 |           |                      |  |
| Operational Overview | Steady State Production <sup>2</sup>    | ~6Mtpa (year 4)      |                 |           |                      |  |
| tiona                | Mine Life                               | 17 years             |                 |           |                      |  |
| pera                 | Operations                              | Contract mini        | ng & transhipme | ent       |                      |  |
| 0                    | Workforce                               | ~185 personnel       |                 |           |                      |  |
| 1.ASX Rel            | ease 15 Mar 2017 2. subject to Board ap | oproval of expansion | n to stage 2    |           |                      |  |

### **Production Guidance Update**

|                            | Bauxite               | Production               | Guidance (              | WMT)                 |                      |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
|                            | Jun '18 Qtr<br>Actual | Sept '18 Qtr<br>Forecast | Dec '18 Qtr<br>Forecast | 2018 –CY<br>Forecast | 2019 –CY<br>Forecast |
| Bauxite Mined<br>('000t)   | 445                   | 825 - 875                | 710 – 760               | 1,965 – 2,075        | 3,000                |
| Bauxite Shipped<br>('000t) | 399                   | 825 – 875                | 750 – 800               | 1,965 – 2,075        | 3,000                |

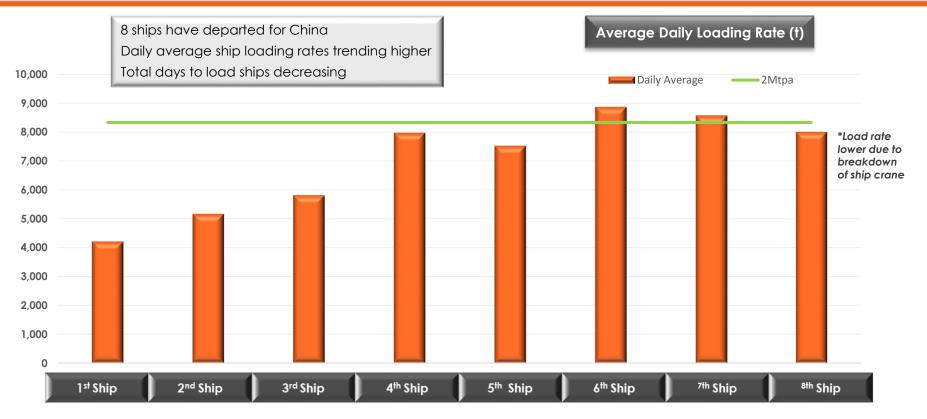
- Bauxite mined and shipped in June Quarter exceeded or at upper end of re-stated guidance
- By the end of June, production was approaching budgeted operating rates and achieving consistent results on a daily basis.
- Transhipment activities performing in line with expectations and the fleet has been supplemented with a larger 7,000t barge.
- Production Guidance for calendar year
   2018 maintained



### Mining Production Trending Up



# Ship Loading Rates Trending Up



### Increasing Production Profile

| Tonnes Per<br>Annum | Stage 1 |   | Stage 2                          |
|---------------------|---------|---|----------------------------------|
| 7,000,000           |         | <ul> <li>Subject to Board</li> <li>Estimated Capit</li> </ul> | d Approval<br>al costs of \$37M1 |
| 6,000,000           |         |   |                                  |
| 5,000,000           |         |   |                                  |
| 4,000,000           |         |   |                                  |
| 3,000,000           |         |   |                                  |
| 2,000,000           |         |   |                                  |
| 1,000,000           |         |   |                                  |
| 0                   | 2018 2  | 2019 2020   | 2021                             |

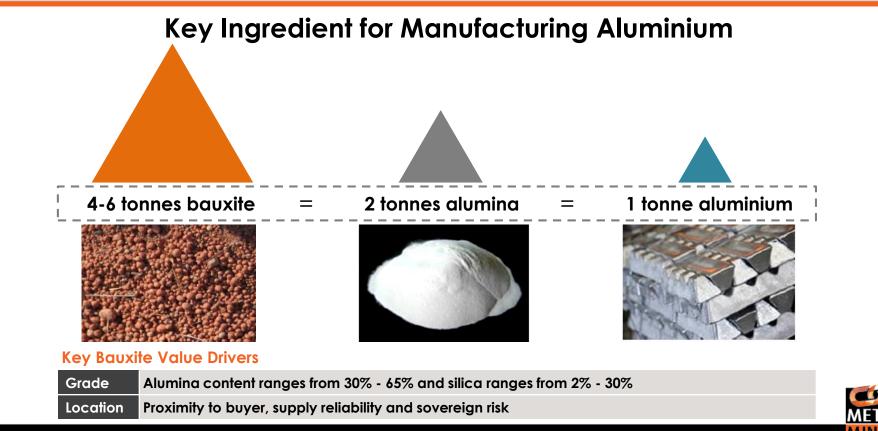
- Ramp up over 4 years reflects development of the customer base. Production in excess of existing off-take will include spot sales and/or new off-take.
- Expansionary capital expenditure estimated at approximately \$37M<sup>1</sup> (NB: to be confirmed through updating the BFS).
- Significant unit cost improvement at higher production rates
- Existing infrastructure has been built to facilitate higher production rates



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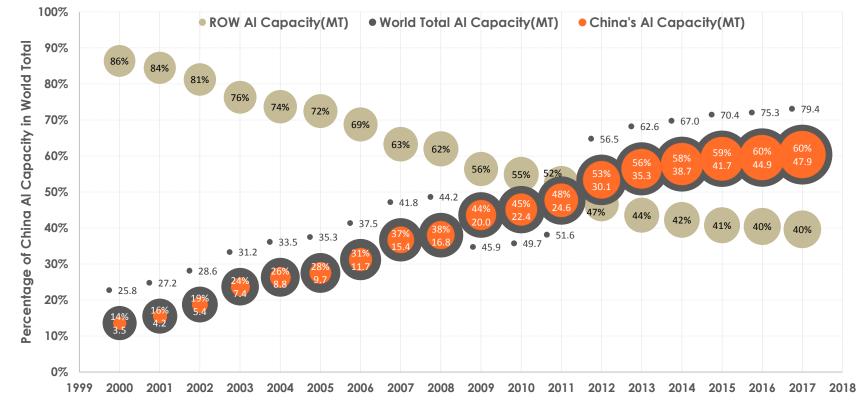
### Bauxite is the Primary Ore of Aluminium



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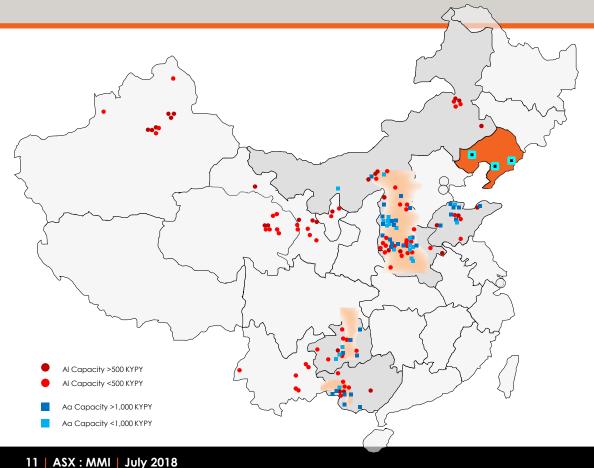
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### China vs ROW Primary Aluminium Capacity 2000–2017 (Mtpy)



Source: IAI, CM Analysis

### Map of China's Major Alumina & Primary Aluminium Bases



#### China's Main Bauxite Concentration

#### China's major alumina producing provinces:

- 1. Shandong
- 2. Shanxi
- 3. Henan,
- 4. Guanaxi
- 5. Guizhou
- 6. Inner Mongolia

**Liaoning Province** is emerging as a major player, with three projects planned or under construction

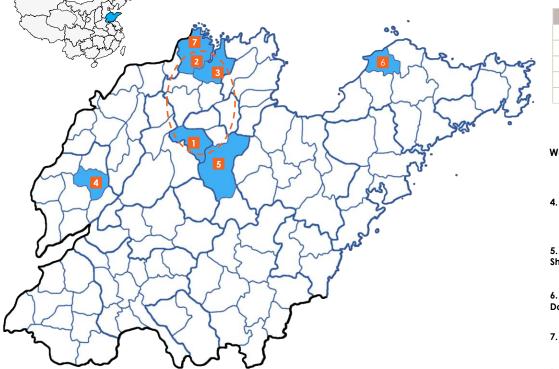
#### China's top 11 primary Al production provinces

Source: CM Group

- 1. Shandong
- 2. Xinjiang
- 3. Inner Mongolia
- 4. Henan
- 5. Gansu
- 6. Qinghai
- 7. Yunnan
- 8. Ningxia
- 9. Guizhou
- 10.Shanxi
- 11.Guangxi

### Shandong - Alumina

Source: CM Group

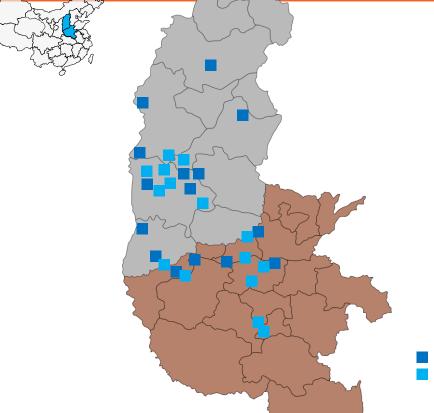


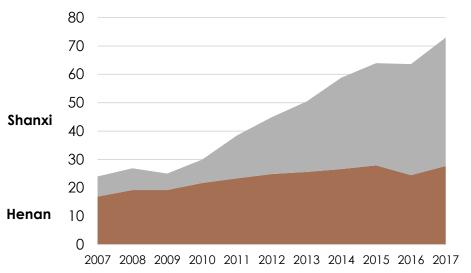
| Groups                             | Bauxite I                   | mport in 20 | 017          | Bauxite | Consumed i | n 2017            |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|--------------|---------|------------|-------------------|
| Weiqiao                            | 41.3 Mt (2                  | 26.8 Mt fro | m Guinea)    |         | 34.4 Mt    |                   |
| Xinfa                              | 15.1 Mt (8                  | 8.9 Mt fron | n Australia) |         | 10.4 Mt    |                   |
| Chalco                             | 4.1 Mt (2.                  | .6 Mt from  | Brazil)      |         | 4.0 Mt     |                   |
| Nanshan                            | 3.9 Mt (3.4 Mt from Brazil) |             | 3.9 Mt       |         |            |                   |
| Lubei                              | 1.3 Mt (M                   | Nalaysia/In | donesia)     |         | 1.9 Mt     |                   |
|                                    | 0                           | 10          | 20           | 30      | 40         | 50 Mt             |
| eiqiao (1, 2, 3)                   |                             |             |              |         |            |                   |
| Chiping Xinfa                      |                             |             |              |         | Βαι        | uxite consumed 20 |
| Chiping Xinfa<br>Chalco<br>nandong |                             |             |              |         | Βαι        | Juite consumed 20 |
| Chalco                             |                             |             |              |         | Βαι        | Juite consumed 20 |

\* Note: two small refineries (Qixing and Nanhan) are currently not operating

### Shanxi & Henan - Alumina

Source: CM Group

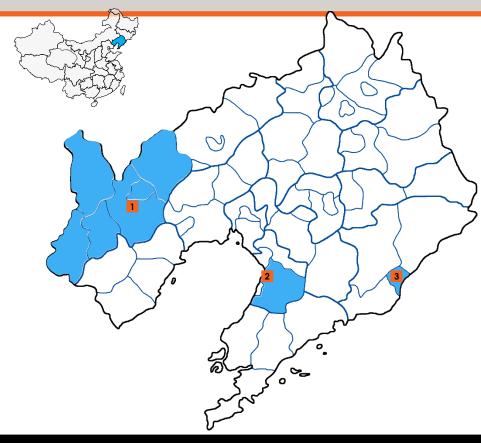




**Bauxite Consumption- MTPY** 

Aa Capacity >1,000 KYPY Aa Capacity <1,000 KYPY

### Liaoning - Alumina



Source: CM Group

1. Jingang Aluminium 10 MTPY Planning

Owner: Jinzhou Port Group Bauxite Source: Guinea, Australia

Plans to construct by phases, with Phase I scheduled to commence construction October 2018, and the first production line to come on stream in June 2020, with total investment of RMB 24.2 billion

2. Dananshan Alumina 2.5 MTPY Constructing

Owner: Bosai Group Bauxite Source: Ghana and others

Started construction on Mar 28, 2018 and scheduled to come online in end-2019. Two production lines with total investment of RMB 5 billion

3. Danfeng Aluminium 6 MTPY

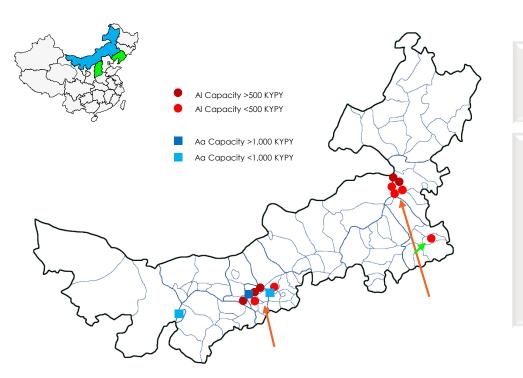
Planning

Owner: Jinjiang Group Bauxite Source: -

Feasibility report just got approvals, and the total investment reaches  $\mathsf{RMB15}$  billion

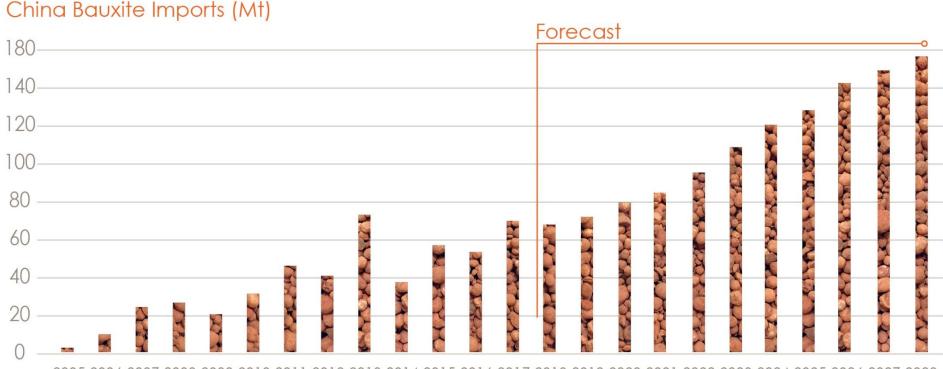
### Inner Mongolia – Alumina & Aluminium

Source: CMGroup



- Inner Mongolia has three alumina refineries, with total refining capacity at 1.4 MTPY (inclusive of 0.2MTPY idled), ranking the highest in China's alumina cost curve.
- Inner Mongolia's primary aluminium smelting capacity at 4.6MTPY, with its alumina demand disproportionally larger than local supply.
  - The Central Cluster mainly relying on alumina from Shanxi
  - The Eastern Cluster mainly now mainly relying on alumina from Shanxi and Shandong, but Liaoning is forecast to be the future source of alumina due to its proximity.

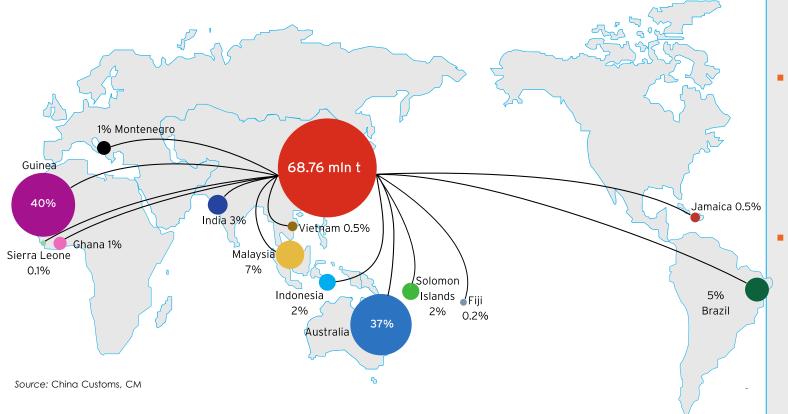
### China Demand Outlook Remains Strong



2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028

Source: CM Group

### China's 2017 Bauxite Imports



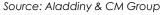
Guinea has become the largest supplier to China driven by exports from the Chinese-controlled SMB-WAP

 Australia's supply has been steadily growing-up 4.2Mt (20%) in 2017 to 25.5Mt

### Favourable Price Dynamic



- Alumina prices have outperformed the CBIX Bauxite Price over the past 2 years
- Xinfa off-take pricing is linked to the Alumina price index providing Metro an attractive sales price relative to spot bauxite market prices
- Trial shipments have been agreed based on bauxite market prices (NB: these are expected to be at a discount to the CBIX price reflecting differences in product specs)





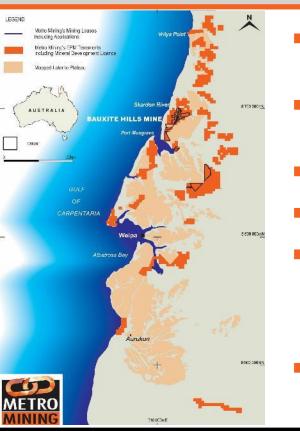
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# China Shipping Advantage



- Location, Location, Location
- Metro's low cost shipping is a sustainable cost advantage to China relative to competing bauxite producers, particularly Guinea
- Cape York Bauxite is well known in and well received by Chinese market
- Short shipping time allows delivery flexibility
- Freight rates have increased reflecting higher ship utilisation and oil prices.
   However, as ocean freight increases, Metro's cost advantage also increases

### Significant Regional Exploration Upside



- Metro's exploration exposure covers >1,800km<sup>2</sup> of holdings (including Bauxite Hills) on Cape York
- All tenements are well located on the lateritic plateaus that have the potential to host bauxite mineralisation
- Close proximity to the coast
- Potential to supplement Bauxite Hills internal growth
- Ongoing exploration work planned for CY2018
  - Reconnaissance sampling
  - Drilling of priority targets
- Identify other opportunities on Cape York and in other prospective locations

### Positive Community Relationships

Ankamuthi Elders George Williams and Richard Woosup and Metro's Environmental heritage Support Officer Barunah "Bruno" Sagiba



- "Welcome to Country Ceremony" held at Bauxite Hills Mine site in April 2018.
- Major Ankamuthi family groups plus Metro's Chair, Stephen Everett, Managing Director, Simon Finnis and Metro employees attended.
- Official Welcome Ceremony performed by Ankamuthi Elder George Williams
- Current Indigenous employment is 38% (Target 20%)



### Summary – A Compelling Story



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