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This presentation contains information extracted from ASX market announcements reported in accordance with the 2012 edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves" ("2012 JORC Code"). Further details (including 2012 JORC Code reporting tables where applicable) of exploration results referred to in this presentation can be found in the following announcements lodged on the ASX and also available on Pacific Nickel's website under the Investors tab: 24 November 2020 – Jejevo Exploration Target and Drilling Update, 7 October 2021 Initial JORC Resource Estimate at Jejevo, 15 September 2022 – Mining Lease Awarded for the Kolosori Nickel Project, 27 September 2022 Kolosori Nickel Project Update, Kolosori Project Update, 23 November 2022 Updated Kolosori Resource Estimate Delivers Increased Nickel, 21 December 2022 – Solomon Islands Nickel Projects Update, 1 February 2023 – Kolosori Nickel Project DFS Delivers Attractive Economics, 23 February 2023 – Kolosori Nickel Project Advances to Project Execution Stage, 14 March 2023 – Approval for Export Permit Granted – Kolosori Nickel Project, 17 April 2023 – Kolosori Nickel Project Update, 19 April 2023 Major Milestone, Glencore Execute Kolosori Finance Agreement, 3 May 2023 – US\$3m Drawdown of Glencore Financing for Kolosori Completed, 21 June 2023 – Kolosori Inifill and Grade Control Drilling Update, 29 June 2023 – Kolosori Nickel Project Services Agreement Executed, 18 July 2023 – Kolosori Nickel Project Update, 20 July 2023 – Kolosori Nickel Ore Barging Agreement Executed, 25 July 2023 – Drawdown Notice for US\$19m Issued to Glencore Financing for Kolosori, 15 August 2023 – Kolosori Project – Mining Contractor Commences Earthworks, 25 August 2023 – Kolosori Nickel Project Development Progressing on Schedule, 12 September 2023 – Kolosori Nickel Project – Mining of Nickel Ore Commenced, 25 October 2023 – Jejevo Nickel Project Surface Access Rights Agreement Singed, 26 October 2023 – Quarterly Activities and Cashflo

The Competent Person for each of the above announcements was Mr Stuart Hutchin, a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists and a full-time employee of Mining One Consultants. Pacific Nickel confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in any original ASX announcement. In addition, Pacific Nickel confirms that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimate of the Mineral Resource at Kolosori in the 23 November 2022 announcement "Updated Kolosori Resource Estimate Delivers Increased Nickel" and at Jejevo in the 7 October 2021 announcement "Initial JORC (2021) Resource Estimate at Jejevo" continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified.

On 1 February 2023 Pacific Nickel released an announcement entitled - Kolosori Nickel Project Definitive Feasibility Study Delivers Highly Attractive Economics. The Definitive Feasibility Study (DFS) outcomes, production target and forecast financial information referred to in this announcement were based on accuracy levels for technical and economic assessments that are sufficient to support an estimation of Ore Reserves. The Initial Ore Reserve Statement for the Kolosori Nickel Project dated 31 January 2023 is appended to the DFS Summary Report attached to the Pacific Nickel announcement dated 1 February 2023 - Kolosori Nickel Project Definitive Feasibility Study Delivers Highly Attractive Economics. Pacific Nickel confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in this release. All material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the Ore Reserve continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves underpinning the production target in the DFS were prepared by competent persons in accordance with the requirements of the JORC Code (2012). The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified.

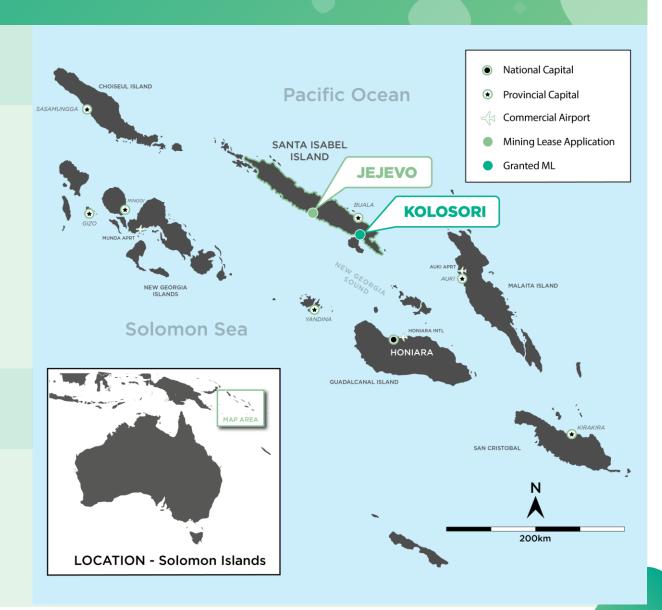
## A New Direct Ship Ore (DSO) Nickel Producer

## **Kolosori Nickel Project (PNM 80%)**

- ✓ Substantial MRE 7.08Mt @ 1.57% Nickel (1.2% Ni cut-off).
- **✓ Fully Permitted Mining Licence.**
- √ Financed US\$22 million loan facility fully drawn.
- ✓ Development Completed camp, wharf, haul road.
- First Shipment Scheduled for end of November 2023.

## **Jejevo Nickel Project (PNM 80%)**

- ✓ **Substantial MRE 7.51Mt at 1.46% Nickel** (1.2% Ni cut-off).
- **✓ Mining Licence Application Submitted.**
- √ Land access agreement signed with landowners



## **Straightforward DSO Nickel Operation**

## **Simple Barging and Transshipping Operation**

- Shallow open pit mining operation.
- No processing or tailings dams required.
- Barging 800m to 50,000 55,000 tonne geared ships for export.
- Production of up to 1.5 wet mtpa based on port throughput (~20,000t contained nickel).
- Saprolite shipped to Chinese RKEF plants for the production of nickel-in-pig iron for the stainless steel industry.
- Low environmental impact.



## **Experienced Team**

**Corporate Information (ASX: PNM)** 

Shares on Issue	418.3m
Options	71.2m
Performance Rights	<b>10.9</b> m
Share Price ASX:PNM	\$0.11
Market Capitalisation	\$46.01m
<b>Cash</b> (as at 30 Sept 2023)	A\$23.0m
Kolosori Project Loan Facility (Fully Drawn)	US\$22m

## **Board and Management**

(Directors Holdings 12.8%)

#### **Greg Foulis**

Non-Executive Chairman

#### **Geoff Hiller**

Director and CEO

#### **Rob Thomson**

**Technical Director** 

#### **Haldane Morris**

**Chief Operating Officer** 

#### **Terry Cuthbertson**

Non-Executive Director

#### **James Dean**

Non-Executive Director

#### **Graham Frank**

Chief Financial Officer

#### **Andrew Cooke**

Company Secretary

## **In Country Team**

#### **Michael James**

Kolosori Project Development & Jejevo GM

#### **Pawel Misiec**

SI Commercial Manager

#### **Mark Edwards**

GM of Kolosori

#### **David Low**

Project Director

#### **PNM Share Price Performance**



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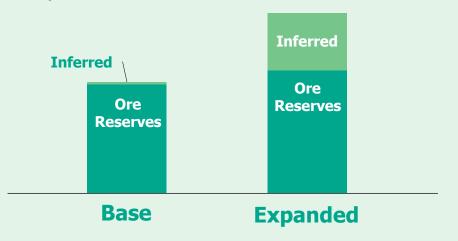
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## **Kolosori DFS Provides Attractive Economics**

## **Two Operating Scenarios Considered:**

- Base Case with the mine schedule representing 97% from Ore Reserves and 3% from Inferred Mineral Resources; and
- **Expanded Case** with the mine schedule representing 68% from Ore Reserves and 32% from Inferred Mineral Resources.

Both cases assume an on average 1.4 Mtpa operation.



# NPV Post-Tax Base Expanded US\$64m US\$83m

Mine Life				
Base	Expanded			
3 years	5.8 years			

Ore Mined						
Base Expanded						
3.8 Mwmt @ 1.57% Ni	6.1 Mwmt @ 1.51% Ni					

CAPEX							
Base Expanded							
US\$21.3m	US\$21.3m						

Payback						
Base Expanded						
< 1 year	< 1 year					

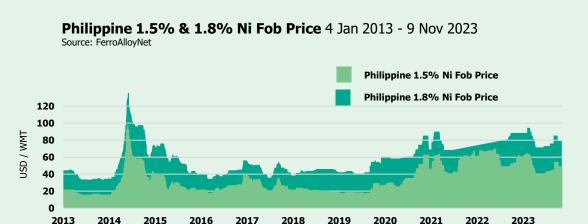
This section presents the financial outcomes of the Kolosori Project Definitive Feasibility Study. This evaluation considers the Project on a 100% basis.

## **Current DSO Ni Pricing into China**

- DSO Prices down due to increase in NPI production in Indonesia and soft Chinese/global economy.
- DSO pricing significantly less volatile than LME Ni (-42% vs -11% YTD).
- New NPI supply out of Indonesia has come on more rapidly than expected.
- Demand for Ni expected to accelerate in the next two years as battery demand expands.
- Lower shipping costs partially offsets lower DSO prices.
- Prior to export ban in 2018, Indonesia supplying +1.6% Ni DSO.
- Philippine average DSO grades in decline.

#### Mining/development strategy at Kolosori:

- Higher grades earlier approx. 2.0mt at 1.73% Ni.
- Approx 4.8mt at 1.63% Ni mined over the first 3 4 years.
- Ability to increase throughput and reduce costs once in production.
- Exploration will target additional high-grade ore sources.



## **Philippine (Zambales) Nickel Ore Ocean Freight** 4 Jan 2015 - 9 Nov 2023 Source: FerroAlloyNet



## **Glencore Financing and Offtake**

## **Financing Agreements Executed**

## **Loan Agreement**

- Project loan facility of US\$22 million Fully Drawn.
- 3-year repayment term commencing after the first shipment and with no scheduled repayments due during the wet season months.
- Competitive margin above the US Secured Overnight Financing Rate.
- Early repayments permitted without penalty.
- No mandatory hedging.

## **Offtake Agreement**

- 6-year Term.
- Take or pay contract.
- Price received linked to agreed 1.5% DSO Nickel benchmarks and adjusted for nickel and moisture bonus/penalty payments.
- Quantity to be 100% of mine production during the Term.
- FOB Kolosori delivery basis with 85% payment upon provisional invoicing.



Glencore team inspecting test pit



Glencore team inspecting trial stockpile



## **Mining and Stockpiling of Nickel Ore**



## **Contractors and Partnerships**

#### **Mining Contractor – HBS**

- Experienced PNG contractor
- New large equipment via PNG
- Operates in tropical environments
- Workforce has cultural fit with SI employs locally where possible and provides training

#### **Subcontractor – GRP**

- Ability to provide local workforce and smaller equipment
- Provides fuel supply

#### **Barging – Marinepia**

- Provides 4 barges and tugs
- Provides workforce

#### **Shipping – Glencore**

- Global shipping and nickel trading
- Arranges geared ships

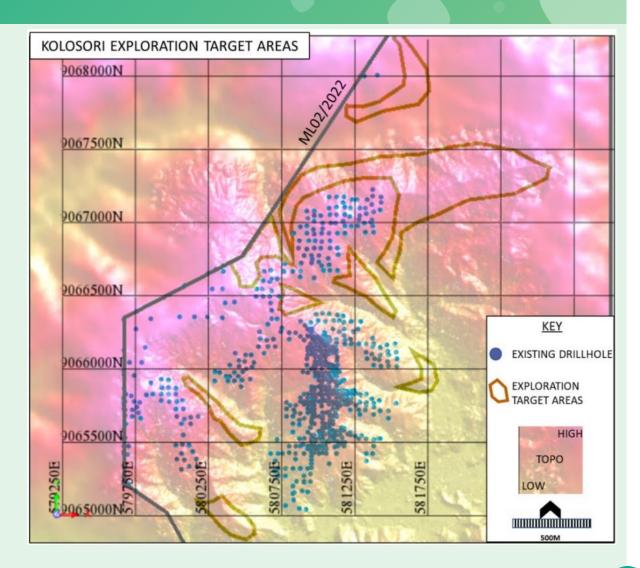


## **ESG – Social Licence**



## **Kolosori Exploration Targets – Additional Resource Potential**

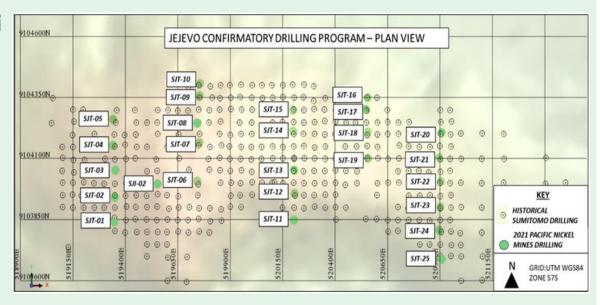
- High priority exploration targets have been identified in proximity of the current Mineral Resource envelope.
- Exploration target of 2.5Mt to 4.0Mt at 1.2%
   1.6% Ni.<sup>1</sup>
- Drilling to target extensions to known nickel mineralisation.
- Potential to significantly increase mine life for the Kolosori Nickel Project.



## Jejevo Nickel Project (PNM 80%) - Our Second Nickel Operation

## Following the same development blueprint as Kolosori

- Large high-grade saprolite MRE of 7.51Mt at 1.46% Ni (1.2% Ni cut-off). Similar to Kolosori.
- Exploration target at Jejevo of a further 3.0 5.0 Mt at 1.2% to 1.6% Ni.
- Mining Lease application submitted in December 2022 and progressing application through regulatory processes.
- Landowner Surface Access Agreement executed October 2023.
- DFS being progressed simultaneously with an Environmental and Social Impact Study.
- Similar size and development approach to Kolosori.
- Construction due to commence in 2024, subject to permitting and finance.



Significant high-grade intervals (>1.9% Ni) returned from the 26-hole program include:

- SJT-04: 8m @ 2.18% Ni from 2m
- SJT-09: 8m @ 1.93% Ni from 2m
- SJT-11: 5m @ 1.93% Ni from 2m
- SJT-15: **9.4m** @ **2.11%** Ni from **2m**

## **Major Milestones for Kolosori Completed in 2023**

Finance



Export Permit Granted from the Solomon Islands Government



Glencore Financing Executed and Fully Drawn



Contracts with mining and barging contractors



Camp, Haul Road and Wharf Completed



Mining of Ore and Stockpiling



First shipment in Nov 2023

## Pacific Nickel: inexpensive, low capex nickel projects moving into production

## **DEVELOPMENT**



# **Kolosori Project Attractive Economics**

Capital payback less than 1 year.

First shipments due from the project this year.

Excellent exploration upside.

## **MANAGEMENT**



# **Quality Technical Development Team**

Glencore debt financing and off-take.

HBS contract involvement.

Experienced Management Team.

Successful implementation of the first DSO nickel project in the Solomons.

## **GROWTH**



# Jejevo Nickel Project and Quality Exploration Targets

Jejevo Project to follow same blueprint as Kolosori development.

Mining Lease application lodged.

DFS to be completed in 2024.

Exploration targets to be tested in 2024.



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## **Appendix 1 – Nickel and Freight Pricing**

#### Philippine Ni1.5% FOB Price 4 Jan 2013 - 9 Nov 2023

Source: FerroAlloyNet



## **Philippine (Zambales) Nickel Ore Ocean Freight** 4 Jan 2015 - 9 Nov 2023 Source: FerroAlloyNet



#### Philippine Ni1.8% FOB Price 4 Jan 2011 - 9 Nov 2023

Source: FerroAlloyNet



#### **LME Nickel Price**

Source: FerroAlloyNet



## **Appendix 2 – DFS Summary**

Item	Base Case(\$US)	Expanded Case (\$US)		
NPV Post-Tax	\$64m (A\$91m)	\$83m (A\$118m)		
IRR Post-Tax	156%	170%		
Payback Period (Months)	6	6		
Ore Mined	3.8 Mwmt @ 1.57% Ni	6.1 Mwmt @ 1.51% Ni		
Peak Annual Ore Shipping (M wmt pa)	1.40	1.45		
Mine Life (years)	3.0	5.8		
Initial CapEx	\$21.3m	\$21.3m		
LOM Sales Price 1.5% Ni CIF China (USD/wmt)	\$75.00	\$75.00		
LOM C1 Costs (\$/wmt sold FOB)	\$31.08	\$30.70		
LOM Taxes and Royalties (\$/wmt sold FOB)	\$2.96	\$2.84		

This section presents the financial outcomes of the Kolosori Project Definitive Feasibility Study. This evaluation considers the Project on a 100% basis

#### Notes

- 1. Life of Mine (LOM)
- 2. wmt = wet metric tonne
- 3. All figures in USD

## **Appendix 3 – Kolosori Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves**

KOLOSORI JORC MINERAL RESOURCES > 1.0 % Ni									
LITHOLOGY	RESOURCE CATEGORY	Dry Kt ('000)	Ni %	Co %					
	MEASURED	127	1.81	0.08					
TRANSITIONAL	INDICATED	583	1.52	0.07					
IRANSITIONAL	INFERRED	1,300	1.33	0.07					
	SUB TOTAL	2,009	1.51	0.07					
	MEASURED	893	1.73	0.02					
SAPROLITE	INDICATED	2,264	1.48	0.02					
SAPROLITE	INFERRED	4,040	1.42	0.02					
	SUB TOTAL	7,197	1.48	0.02					
TOTAL (M+I+I)	TOTAL (M+I+I) 9,206 1.46 0.03								

KOLOSORI JORC MINERAL RESOURCES > 1.2 % Ni								
LITHOLOGY	RESOURCE CATEGORY	Dry Kt ('000)	Ni %	Co %				
	MEASURED	127	1.81	0.08				
TRANSITIONAL	INDICATED	469	1.62	0.07				
IRANSITIONAL	INFERRED	812	1.48	0.06				
	SUB TOTAL	1,408	1.56	0.07				
	MEASURED	846	1.77	0.02				
SAPROLITE	INDICATED	1,833	1.57	0.02				
SAPROLITE	INFERRED	2,989	1.53	0.02				
	SUB TOTAL	5,668	1.58	0.02				
TOTAL (M+I+I)		7,076	1.57	0.03				

KOLOSORI ORE RESERVES								
Category	<b>Volume Mbcm</b>	Wet Mt	Dry Mt	Ni %	Fe %	Moisture %		
Proved								
Transition	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Saprolite	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Probable								
Transition	0.4	0.7	0.5	1.6	42	39		
Saprolite	1.8	2.9	2.1	1.6	17	28		
Total	2.2	3.7	2.6	1.6	21	30		
Proved + Probable								
Transition	0.4	0.7	0.5	1.6	42	39		
Saprolite	1.8	2.9	2.1	1.6	17	28		
Total	2.2	3.7	2.6	1.6	21	30		
Waste	2.2	3.9	2.7					
Waste : Ore	1	1.1	1					

## **Appendix 4 – Jejevo Mineral Resource Estimate**

JEJEVO JORC MINERAL RESOURCE > 1.0 % NI				JEJEVO JORC MINERAL RESOURCE > 1.2 % NI					
LITHOLOGY	RESOURCE CATEGORY	Kt ('000)	Ni %	Co %	LITHOLOGY	RESOURCE CATEGORY	Kt ('000)	Ni %	Co %
LIMONITE	MEASURED	-	-	-	LIMONITE	MEASURED	-	-	-
	INDICATED	1,410	1.12	0.14		INDICATED	249	1.27	0.13
LIMONITE	INFERRED	2,070	1.07	0.15	LIMONITE	INFERRED	62	1.27	0.13
	SUB TOTAL	3,480	1.09	0.15		SUB TOTAL	311	1.27	0.13
	MEASURED	-	-	-	TRANSITIONAL	MEASURED	-	-	-
	INDICATED	1,051	1.51	0.07		INDICATED	969	1.54	0.07
TRANSITIONAL	INFERRED	1,263	1.35	0.08		INFERRED	911	1.43	0.08
	SUB TOTAL	2,313	1.42	0.08		SUB TOTAL	1,880	1.49	0.07
	MEASURED	SURED		MEASURED	-	-	-		
CARROLITE	INDICATED	4,482	1.40	0.02	CARROLITE	INDICATED	3,430	1.49	0.02
SAPROLITE	INFERRED	4,147	1.25	0.02	SAPROLITE	INFERRED	2,200	1.40	0.02
	SUB TOTAL	8,630	1.33	0.02		SUB TOTAL	5,630	1.45	0.02
тот	TOTAL (M+I+I)		1.29	0.06	ТОТ	AL (M+I+I)	7,822	1.46	0.04