

## Heemskirk Tin Project

Highest grade undeveloped ASX-listed tin project

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## **Corporate overview**

### 100% owner of the highest grade undeveloped ASX-listed tin project

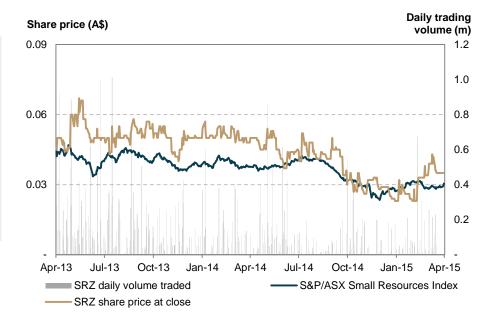
#### **Company overview**

- 100% owner of Heemskirk Tin Project, 150km south of Burnie, Tasmania
- Stand-out high grade resource (1.1% Sn) with vision to be Australia's 2nd largest tin producer
- Metallurgical optimisation announced in March 2015 increased PFS valuation to A\$82.3m
- Currently refining and optimising the PFS, mine plan and further exploration programs

#### **Financial information**

Share price (16-Apr-15)	A\$0.035
Number of shares	300.2m
Market capitalisation	A\$10.5m
Cash (31-Dec-14)	A\$3.0m
Debt (31-Dec-14)	No debt
Enterprise value	A\$7.5m

42.5m unlisted options (exercise prices A\$0.06 to A\$0.12, expiring 26-Feb-17 to 20-Nov-19)



#### Strong institutional ownership

Capetown S.A.	20.8%
Bunnenberg Family	14.9%
Resource Capital Funds	12.0%
Directors & Management	4.2%
Top 20 Shareholders	70.2%

### **Investment case**

Premier position in Australia's most productive tin field

100% owned Heemskirk Tin Project is the **highest grade** undeveloped tin resource on the ASX

Heemskirk is an **unencumbered project with no offtake agreements** yet in place; thus allowing for the development of new strategic relationships

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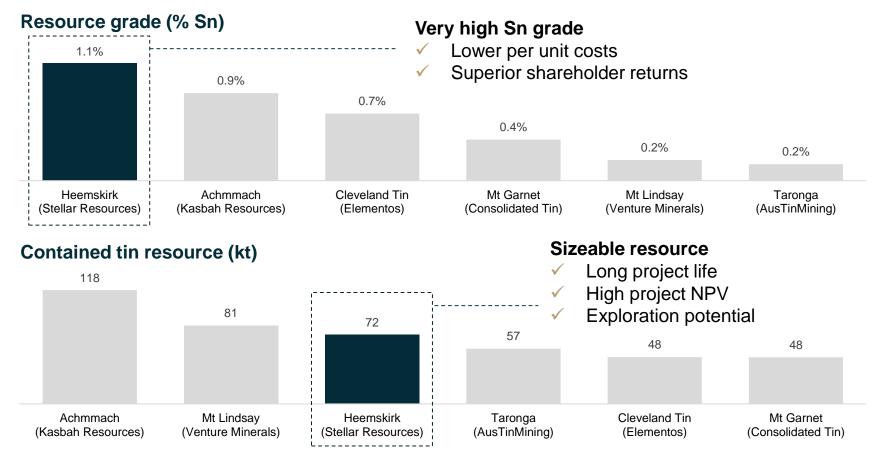
Metallurgical optimisation work shows Heemskirk has several parallels to the early production from Metals X's Renison Bell

**Premium projects with high grades** will continue to attract investment, despite the challenging market conditions

# **ASX junior tin developers**

### Heemskirk is the premier pre-production tin opportunity on the ASX

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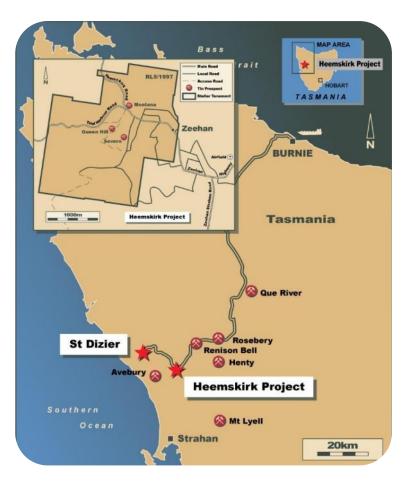
Source: Company filings



## **Favourable project location**

### North-west Tasmania is a world-class tin jurisdiction

- Significant mining district
  - Many historical and current operating mines across various commodities
- Supportive local community and skilled workforce
  - Experienced workforce available with other mines in the region winding down
- Established road and rail to port at Burnie, water readily available and power infrastructure in place
- ✓ Low political risk
  - Tasmanian government supportive of Heemskirk
- Low environmental risk
  - Issues faced by others in the region unlikely to be encountered



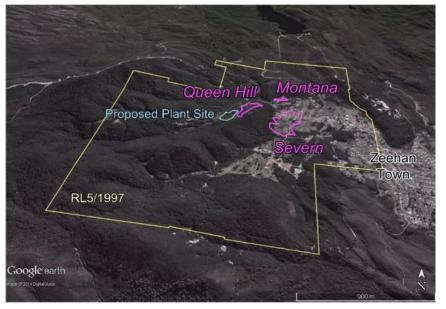


# **Flagship Heemskirk tin project**

# Australia's highest grade undeveloped tin deposit with excellent expansion potential

- Renison-style deposit located along the tin-bearing Heemskirk Granite trend
- Renison Bell (Metals X / Yunnan Tin) located 18km to northeast
- Comprised of three 100% owned tin deposits
- The most recent resource estimate of 6.3Mt at 1.14% tin makes Heemskirk one of the largest and highest grade tin deposits in Australia
- Proposed surface development and underground portal on west side of Queen Hill





# Heemskirk 2013 PFS



# Positive results from the 2013 PFS confirmed project economics – optimisation is well underway

 Pre-feasibility study completed in July 2013 for an underground mine producing 600ktpa at 1.06% Sn

#### **PFS overview**

Pre-production capital cost: A\$127m

Minimum life: 6.75 years (excluding St Dizier)

**Mine gate cash costs:** A\$15,988/t (US\$14,389/t) tin concentrate

Comparable to Renison Bell

NPV (base case @ 8%): A\$61m

Average concentrate grade: 48%

Exchange rate: US\$0.90/A\$

Tin price: US\$25,500/t

#### **PFS** optimisation

Capital cost to be finalised following DFS

**Project open at depth** which lends itself to mine life extensions

Mining costs continue to decrease - buyer's market

- Metallurgical study increased NPV to A\$82.3M
- Metallurgical optimisation determined final concentrate grade of 45%
- Valuation **increases to A\$136M** using US\$0.78/A\$

Consensus estimates predict **tin price increase** from current levels



## **Recent updates**

# Operational and corporate achievements in 2014 have set the perfect platform for Stellar to move towards DFS in 2015

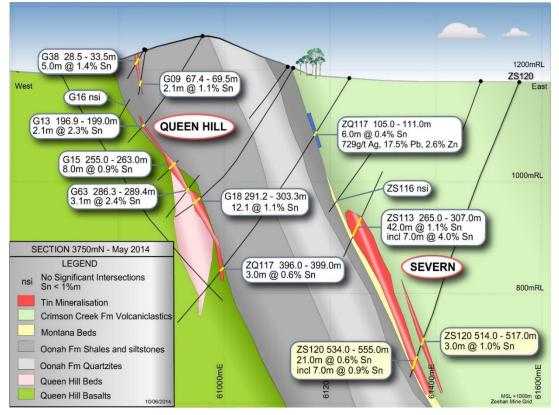
January 2014	Capetown S.A. subscribes to A\$2.6M placement
February 2014	<ul> <li>A\$1.2M underwritten entitlement offer announced</li> </ul>
March 2014	Indicated 1.2Mt @ 0.70% Sn partly open pittable resource at St Dizier announced
	4 hole drill program commenced at Queen Hill
June 2014	Ongoing drill program confirmed high grade near surface mineralisation at St Dizier @ 0.9% Sn
August 2014	Queen Hill tin mineralisation extended by 150m down plunge
February 2015	Environmental Protection Authority guidelines received
	Exploration licence granted to the south of Heemskirk
March 2015	<ul> <li>Metallurgy optimisation upgrades PFS metrics</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Severn tin recovery increased by 7.4% and average tin recovery increased by 4.5%</li> </ul>
	Annual tin in concentrate production increased by 4.5%
	PFS NPV increased by 34.2% to A\$82.3M
April 2015	<ul> <li>Geological review flags new northwest dipping structures presenting un-tapped upside to the Heemskirk resource</li> </ul>

## Deposits open at depth

# All deposits open at depth, poorly explored below 300 metres from surface and unexplored below 500 metres

- Rock competency contrast provides channel-way for mineralising fluids
- Major lithological boundaries provide northeast orientation to mineralisation
- However, at drill-hole scale, mineralisation occurs in a range of rock types with many hanging-wall positions
- This implies that structure and paragenesis also provide important vectors for mineralisation





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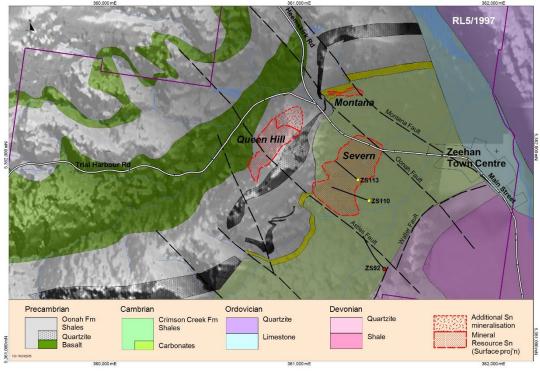


# **Encouraging structural corridors**

# Northwest trending structural corridors prepared geology for mineralising events

- Previously viewed northeast trend of lithology as most important structural direction
- Northwest structures now equally important – divide geology into blocks that also parallel granite orientation
- Faults active before, during, and after mineralising events
- Very encouraged by potential for more "blind" deposits like Severn within these corridors

#### **Structural corridors**



# **High grade tin intersections**

# Geological review has uncovered a number of additional high grade tin areas within structures and dilation zones

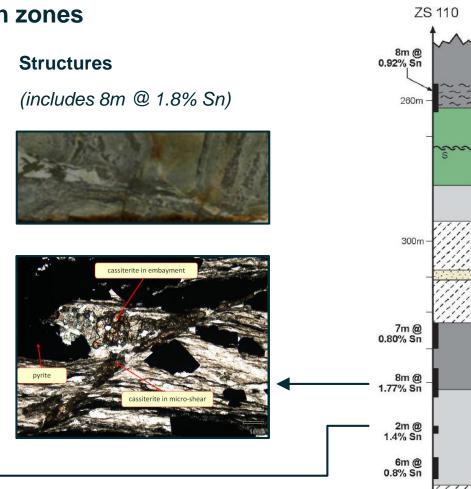
#### **Dilation zones**

(includes 2m @ 1.4% Sn)









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# **Metallurgical optimisation results**

Materially enhanced Heemskirk economics through gains in tin recovery, reduced losses in the sulphide float and increased gravity recovery

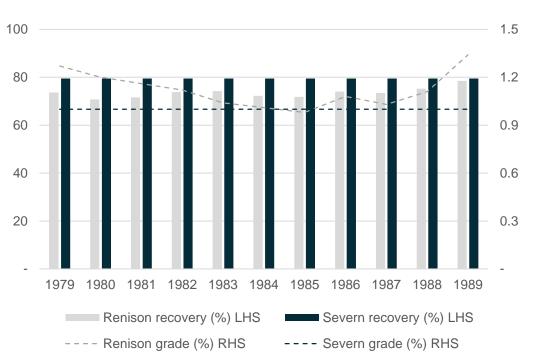
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Process product and tail		Assumed PFS performance	Severn optimisation program outcome	Change from PFS performance
Ore grade	% Sn	1.06	1.00	+0.06
1.Ore feed (product)	% Sn	100	100	0.0
2. HMS floats (tail)	% Sn	-1.5	0	+1.5
3.Final sulfide conc (tail)	% Sn	-10.1	-2.6	+7.5
Sn recovery to gravity circuit Feed (product)	% Sn	88.4	97.4	+9.0
4. Gravity conc (product)	% Sn	63.9	69.1	+5.2
5. Gravity tail	% Sn	-2.6	-3.8	-1.2
6. Slime tail	% Sn	-1.3	-3.7	-2.4
7. Tin flotation conc (product)	% Sn	8.5	10.4	+1.9
8. Tin flotation tail	% Sn	-12.1	-10.2	+1.9
9. Overall recovery (product)	% Sn	72.4	79.5	+7.1
10. Overall loss (tail)	% Sn	-27.6	-20.4	+7.2
Final tin concentrate grade	% Sn	50.8	45.0	+5.8

Source: WorleyParsons

## Severn is comparable with Renison STELLAR

Severn recovery of 79.5% compares well with neighbour Renison Bell which achieved average recovery of 73.6% at similar head grade in the 1980s



#### Grade (%)

- Next steps for metallurgy
- Complete test work for St Dizier
- Operating and capital cost implications from Severn results
- Application of lessons from Severn to Queen Hill and Montana
- Pilot scale testing program
- Variability testing

Source: Annual reports

Recovery (%)

## Heemskirk is 100% unencumbered STELLAR

Heemskirk is a premier tin investment opportunity with high grades, 100% ownership and located in a supportive mining jurisdiction

- Heemskirk is a 100% owned, unencumbered project
- There are no off-take arrangements in place
  - PFS production rate of 600ktpa @ 1.06% Sn
- Safe, mining-friendly jurisdiction
- Falling A\$ greatly improves project economics
- Mine closures and limited drilling activity in Tasmania has decreased operational costs

- Very limited opportunities for investors to secure tin off-take
- Heemskirk production will be highly sought after
  - Example investments by traders
  - Traxys invested A\$1m into Kasbah in 2010
  - Glencore invested A\$161m into Aurelia Metals through a placement at project facility in 2013
  - Taimetco International advanced a A\$1.5m secured loan to MGT Resources in 2015

# **Heemskirk DFS**



# Stellar is poised to embark on a DFS for the Heemskirk project in 2015 with PFS optimisation currently well underway

- DFS to build upon the previously completed PFS and optimisation studies
- Mining expense deflation expected to reduce the expenditure required for the DFS

#### DFS timeline from commencement

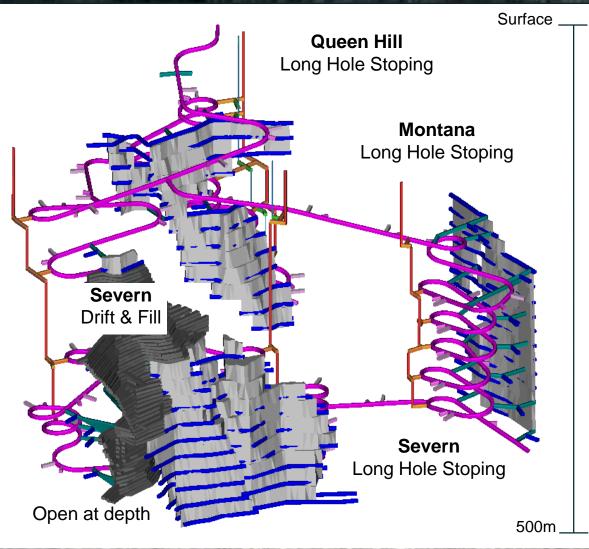
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Drilling						
Metallurgical testing						
Geological studies						
Mining engineering						
Environmental permitting						



# Appendix

Heemskirk PFS mine plan Board of Directors

## Heemskirk 2013 PFS mine plan



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## **Board of Directors**

### Experienced and multi-disciplinary Board with strong global connections



#### Phil Harman Non-Executive Chairman

#### Geophysicist

- Over 30 years experience in BHP Billiton minerals exploration
- Past and present Director of several ASX listed companies



#### Peter Blight Managing Director

#### Geologist

- 30 years experience in exploration, mining and finance sectors
- Previously worked for UBS, UC Rusal and Rio Tinto



#### Dr Markus Elsasser Non-Executive Director Finance

- Based in Germany, provides advice to a number of European based investors
- Has extensive experience as a Managing Director in the chemical and food industries



### Miguel Lopez de Letona Non-Executive Director

#### **Management Consultant**

- Experience as a management consultant and banker with leading financial institutions
- Based in Belgium and advises on investment in the mining and oil and gas sectors



Christina Kemp Company Secretary

#### Accountant

- Over 30 years experience as an accountant and senior financial manager
- Has experience in the resources, manufacturing, retail and utility industries

# Thomas Whiting Non-Executive Director

Geophysicist

- Former manager of BHP Billiton exploration
- Chairman of Deep Exploration Technologies Cooperative Research Centre



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The information in this report that relates to Heemskirk Tin Mineral Resources was last reported on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2013 in an ASX release titled "Pre-feasibility Study Advances Heemskirk Tin". The information was prepared in accordance with the 2004 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves' by Tim Callaghan of Resource and Exploration Geology. The information in this report that relates to the St Dizier Mineral Resource was announced on 12 March 2014 in an ASX release titled "Heemskirk Tin Project: New Open Pittable Resource at St Dizier". The information was prepared in accordance with the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resource and Exploration Geology. Tim information of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resource and Ore Reserves' (JORC Code) by Tim Callaghan of Resource and Exploration Geology. Tim Callaghan is a Member of The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy ("AusIMM"), has a minimum of five years experience in the estimation and assessment and evaluation of Mineral Resources of this style and is the Competent Person as defined in the JORC Code. This report accurately summarises and fairly reports his estimations and he has consented to the resource report in the form and context in which it appears.

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