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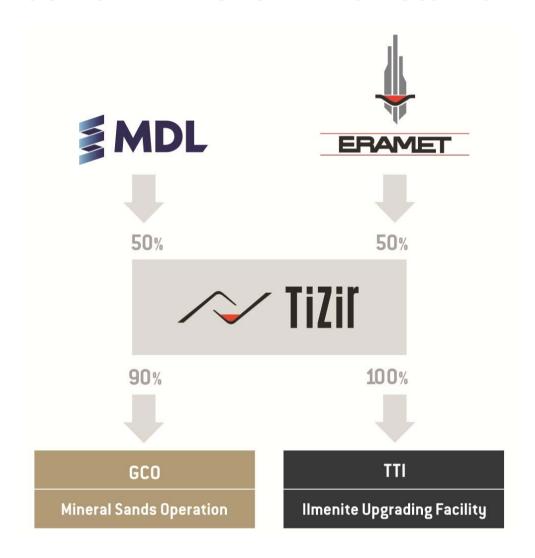
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### **MDL – A SNAPSHOT**

### SIGNIFICANT LEVERAGE TO AN IMPROVING COMMODITY CYCLE



- MDL owns 50% of the TiZir Joint Venture
  - A significant producer of high grade titanium minerals
  - High quality, vertically integrated assets serving a global customer base
  - Quality partner in ERAMET
- Substantial operating history in the industry
- Mineral sands sector provides exposure to global GDP growth and urbanisation in emerging markets
- Current market capitalisation of \$77.8M
  (based on a share price of \$0.75)<sup>1</sup>
  - Cash balance of US\$23M as at March2015

### TWO STRATEGIC MINERAL SANDS ASSETS

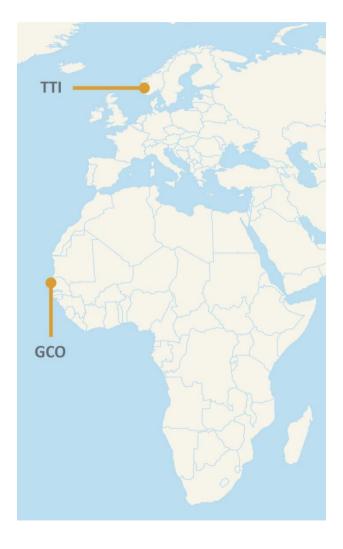
### THE VERTICAL INTEGRATION OF GCO AND TTI CREATES SIGNIFICANT VALUE

### GCO (Senegal) – A major new mineral sands mine

- Biggest single-dredge mineral sands operation in the world
- US\$650M construction cost, 11 million man hours completed February 2014
- Production ramp-up on target to achieve design capacity
- 85ktpa of zircon capacity sold directly to global customers
- 575ktpa of ilmenite capacity with a majority to be processed at TTI
- Mine life expectancy to 2043

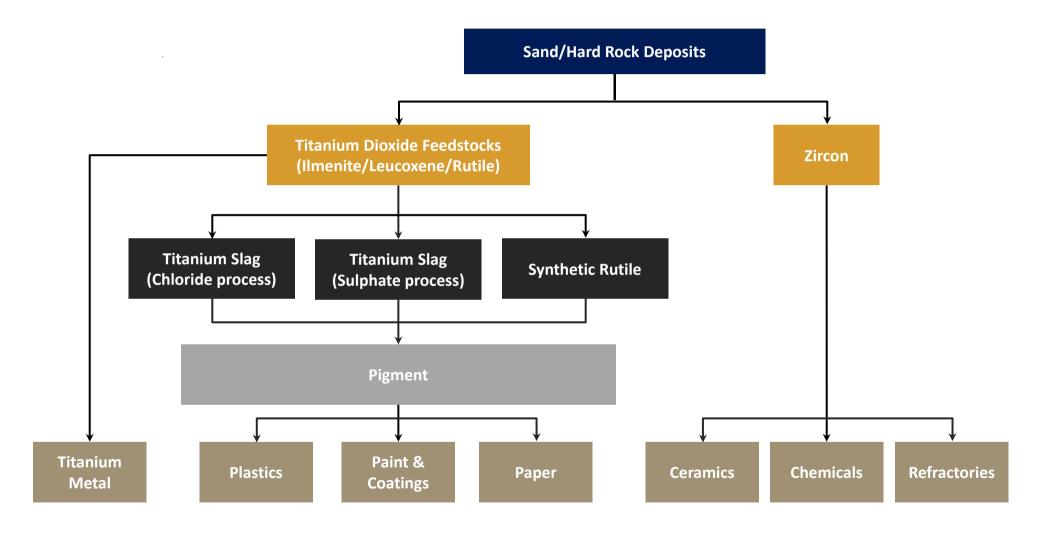
### TTI (Norway) - A high quality ilmenite upgrading facility

- Operational since 1986 with a consistent production history
- Produces a high grade TiO<sub>2</sub> titanium slag and high purity pig iron
- One of only five such operating assets globally (only one in Europe)
- Benefits from cheap, clean power and excellent logistics
- Refurbishment and expansion project to create production flexibility



### **MINERAL SANDS INDUSTRY**

### DEMAND IS STRONGLY CORRELATED TO GLOBAL GDP GROWTH



# GCO



# RAMPING UP TO DESIGN CAPACITY



### SENEGAL – A PREFERRED LOCATION IN AFRICA

### **NEW DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY TARGETS EMERGING ECONOMY STATUS BY 2035**



- Democratic republic based on French civil law system
- Reputation as one of the most stable democracies in Africa
- President Macky Sall came to power in March 2012 and launched an economic reform program designed to boost economic growth by transforming Senegal into a hub for West Africa
- Fiscal outlook continues to improve
  - GDP growth rate of 4.5% in 2014
  - S&P sovereign credit rating of B+/B
  - Fiscal deficit continues to decline with a deficit of 5.2% of GDP targeted in 2014

### GCO – A HIGHLY COMPETITIVE MINERAL SANDS MINE

### GCO HAS A NUMBER OF ATTRIBUTES WHICH ENSURE A ROBUST OPERATION

# Large scale, cost efficient operation

Significant mineral resource

Mineral assemblage

Power self-sufficiency

Integrated logistics

- No overburden
- Minor vegetation
- Free flowing sands
- Minimal (<1%) slimes
- Shallow water table and deep aguifer
- Resource Estimate of 27.3Mt of heavy minerals<sup>1</sup>
- Simple and consistent orebody
- Project area of 445.7km<sup>2</sup>

- Zircon
- Ilmenite
- High grade co-products
- Rutile
- Leucoxene

- 36MW power station
- Powered by heavy fuel oil, diesel or natural gas
- Ownership or control of key road, rail and port infrastructure
- Integrated logistics from mine to ship

<sup>1:</sup> ASX release — 19 February 2015. The combined measured and indicated resource estimate of 27.3Mt is comprised of a measured resource estimate of 24.2Mt and an indicated resource estimate of 3.1Mt. MDL confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the ASX release of 19 February 2015 and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the release continue to apply and have not materially changed.

TTI



# PRODUCTION FLEXIBILITY



### TTI – A HIGH QUALITY UPGRADING FACILITY

### TTI IS A HIGH QUALITY FACILITY PROVIDING A NUMBER OF SIGNIFICANT ADVANTAGES

#### Intellectual 1 of 5 facilities Cheap, clean Excellent Vertical globally logistics integration property power · Operational know-• Rio owns two (South Hydro-sourced • Deep water shipping • Use of GCO ilmenite Africa & Canada) facilities how a significant provides: Long term contract barrier to entry • Tronox owns two provides two-thirds of Well located to receive Production flexibility GCO ilmenite and (South Africa) requirements GCO offtake service key customer security, limiting base exposure to volatile ilmenite markets TTI supply security, mitigating a major business risk

### TTI – PRODUCTION FLEXIBILITY PROVIDES OPTIONALITY

#### TTI EXPANSION AND UPGRADE PROJECT WILL ADD SIGNIFICANT VALUE

- Upon completion of the expansion and upgrade project, TTI will focus on producing a high grade titanium slag which will be used as a feedstock for pigment producers utilising the chloride process
- Approximately 45% of global pigment supply is produced by way of the chloride process
  - Significant environmental benefits compared to the sulphate process
  - Tightly controlled technology utilised by a small number of large western producers
- China dominates the sulphate process
  - Freely available technology utilised by numerous smaller producers in China
  - A significant proportion of ilmenite utilised by these plants is produced as a by-product of iron ore mining
- As a result of the Expansion and Upgrade Project, TTI will:
  - Vertically integrate with GCO
  - Enhance cost efficiencies and revenue generation
  - Expand production capacity by approximately 15%
  - Have the flexibility to produce either chloride or sulphate slag and take advantage of market conditions
  - Reduce emissions thereby improving performance and further enhancing its important environmental credentials
    - > Recognised by Enova (Norwegian Government Authority) in its recent funding support of TTI

# WHY MDL?



# THE MDL INVESTMENT CASE



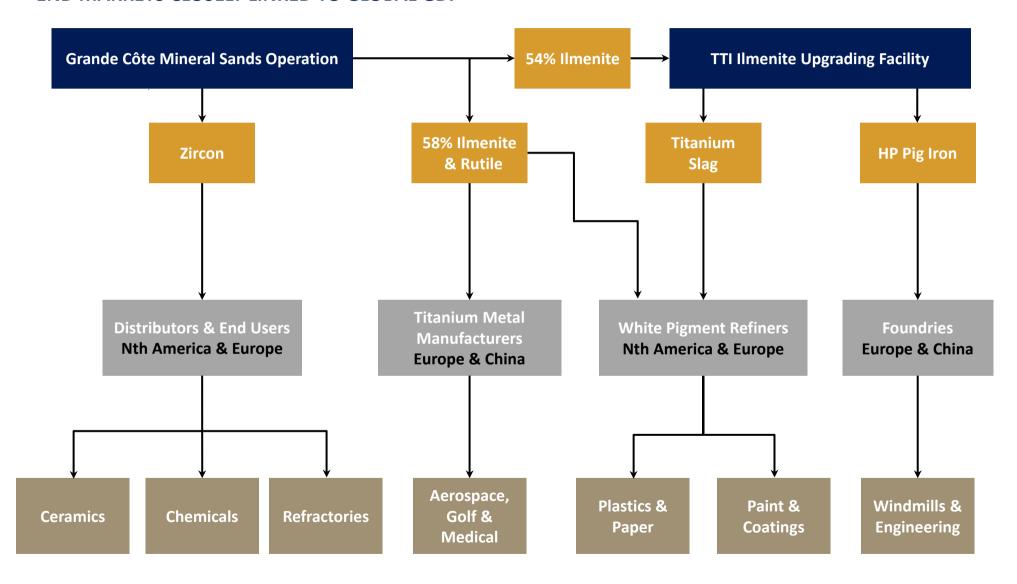
### WHY MDL?

### MDL IS ON TRACK TO DELIVER ON ITS STRATEGY BY THE END OF 2015

- GCO commissioning remains on track
  - Capex spend completed in February 2014
  - Current issues are 'typical' of a commissioning process
  - Zircon product well received by customers
- TTI smelter expansion and upgrade to be completed during Q4 2015
  - Plant has been operating since 1986 (with numerous relines completed)
  - Strong indications that project will be completed within budget
  - Project funded by TiZir cash and available working capital facilities
  - Financial support from Enova (subject to ESA approval), a Norwegian government agency promoting energy efficiency and the use of environmentally friendly energy technology
  - Will deliver significant advantages of vertical integration and product flexibility
- As at 31 March 2015:
  - issued shares of 103,676,341
  - cash of US\$23.8M
  - zero debt

### INTEGRATED – DIVERSIFIED – FLEXIBLE – GLOBAL SCALE – BOTTOM OF COST CURVE

### **END MARKETS CLOSELY LINKED TO GLOBAL GDP**



### WHY MDL?

### A STRONG PLATFORM TO GROW SHAREHOLDER VALUE

- ✓ Significant leverage. As industry fundamentals improve, MDL is well positioned to benefit
- ✓ Well located, high quality assets
- Current strategy best positions the Company to take advantage of prevailing and anticipated future market dynamics
- ✓ Operational flexibility to adapt to changing market conditions to maximise returns for shareholders
- ✓ Vertical integration driving cost efficiencies and enhanced revenue generation
- By end 2015, capital spend expected to be complete and assets largely de-risked
- Partnership with ERAMET, a major global player in manganese and nickel mining & smelting

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