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## **ASX Release**

# OZ Minerals announces A\$60 million on-market share buyback



## Summary:

- Updated capital management framework
- Strong operational performance and cash position enables growth and shareholder returns
- A\$60 million on-market share buyback

OZ Minerals today announced a A\$60m on-market share buyback as part of an updated capital management framework. This announcement follows on from and complements the update on the Carrapateena project this morning and underscores OZ Minerals' robust financial position and free cash flow generation.

"OZ Minerals' strong operational performance and enviable cash position means that we can chart a course for both value accretive growth and shareholder return," said Andrew Cole, Managing Director and CEO. "We are determined to reward shareholders through both developing keystone value accretive projects like Carrapateena and capital management."

OZ Minerals' updated capital management framework supports its commitment to provide shareholder returns. The updated framework will focus on maximising shareholder value through strong competition for the application of surplus capital between:

- Paying dividends; and/or
- Buybacks; and/or
- Value accretive investments

This updated framework reinforces OZ Minerals' strategy of maximising shareholder returns by ensuring that capital is allocated efficiently. The allocation of surplus capital between paying dividends (including franked dividends subject to available franking credits in the near term), buybacks and value accretive investments will be reviewed in each period. OZ Minerals will continue to target a minimum dividend payment of 20% of net cash generation subject to the attractiveness of conducting buybacks and/or investment opportunities.

Based on the Company's closing share price of \$5.23 per share on 25 February 2016, the program of up to \$60m represents the repurchase of up to 11.47m shares being approximately 3.78% of issued capital. The buyback will be funded from existing cash reserves and will be implemented in the coming weeks. The total number of shares to be

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purchased under the buy-back will be dependent on business and market conditions and will be subject to normal black-out and other listing restrictions.

"With Prominent Hill's strong cash flows and our current cash balance, we are confident that we can fund the construction of Carrapateena, continue returns to shareholders and also target value accretive growth investments." said Mr Cole.

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