# EVION

Graphite Downstream Producer with Concentrate & Anode Development Plans

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Some of the information contained in this presentation has been derived from previously released information to the ASX refer: 9/03/2023-"Agreement with Leading Battery Anode Material Producer"; 17/01/2023-"Battery Anode Scoping Study Produces Compelling Results"; 3/11/2022-"BlackEarth Completes Positive DFS for Maniry Project"; 21/07/2022- "Downstream Graphite Processing JV Set to Commence in India"; 17/1/2021- "Significant increase in Graphite inventory at Maniry".

#### COMPETENT PERSONS STATEMENT

Mineral Resource – Razafy and Razafy NorthWest

The information in this Report that relates to in situ Mineral Resources for Razafy and Razafy NW was prepared, and fairly reflects information compiled, by Mr Grant Louw and Dr Andrew Scogings, each of whom have sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which they are undertaking to qualify as Competent Persons as defined in the 2012 Edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves" (the JORC Code). Mr Louw is an employee of Snowden Optiro and is a Member of both the Australian Institute of Geoscientists and the Geological Society of South Africa and is a Registered Professional Geoscientist (RP Geo. Industrial Minerals). Mr Louw and Dr Scogings consent to the inclusion of information in the Mineral Resource report that is attributable to each of them, and to the inclusion of the information in the release in the form and context in which they appear.

Mineral Resource – Haja

The information contained in this report that relates to the Haja Mineral Resource is based on information compiled by Ms. Annick Manfrino, Principal of Sigma Blue and previously Manager Geology of BlackEarth Minerals – now Evion Group. Ms. Manfrino is a member of The Australian Institute of Geoscientists and has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activities undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves." Ms. Manfrino completed a site inspection and is the Competent Person for this Resource estimation. Ms. Manfrino consents to the use of the information included in this document in the form and context in which it appears.

Ore Reserve – Razafy & Razafy NorthWest

The reported Ore Reserves have been prepared under the supervision and management of Mr Michael Ryan. Mr Ryan is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and a consultant to Evion Group NL as Project Manager for the Maniry Graphite Project. He has sufficient experience, relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity he is undertaking, to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves' of December 2012 ("JORC Code") as prepared by the Joint Ore Reserves Committee of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, the Australian Institute of Geoscientists and the Minerals Council of Australia. Mr Ryan gives Evion Group NL consent to use this reserve estimate in reports. Mr Ryan holds a beneficial interest is shares in the company through a superannuation fund.

### **Board of Directors & Capital Structure**

### A refreshed Board, positioned to deliver the next phase of growth for Evion

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ASX Code

\$7.0M

Market Cap

10 July 2024)

A\$2.25M

Cash at 31 March 24

346M

Shares on Issue

(at 10 July 2024)



Heather Zampatti
Non-Executive Chair

- Previously Head of Wealth Management at Bell Potter Securities and has over 35 years in stockbroking, finance, investment policy, strategy and funds management
- Extensive board experience including on the Federal Government Remuneration Tribunal & Takeovers Panel ,the Australian Institute of Management (WA), and ASIC Financial Services Consultative Committee



David Round

Managing Director

- Extensive Mining, JV and Offtake development experience in the graphite and down stream processing sectors
- As Finance Director, developed the Company's JV Operations in India and built commercial relationships in Europe and the USA
- Previously CFO and Head of Sales of an Australian listed Graphite production company with mine in Madagascar (Graphmada Mine)



Warrick Hazeldine
Non-Executive Director

- More than 20 years of capital markets experience, working on investor relations activities, predominately in the natural resources sector
- Founding director of investor and corporate communications firm Purple
- Currently chair of battery materials company ChemX Materials and former Chair and Non-Executive Director of Global Lithium Resources

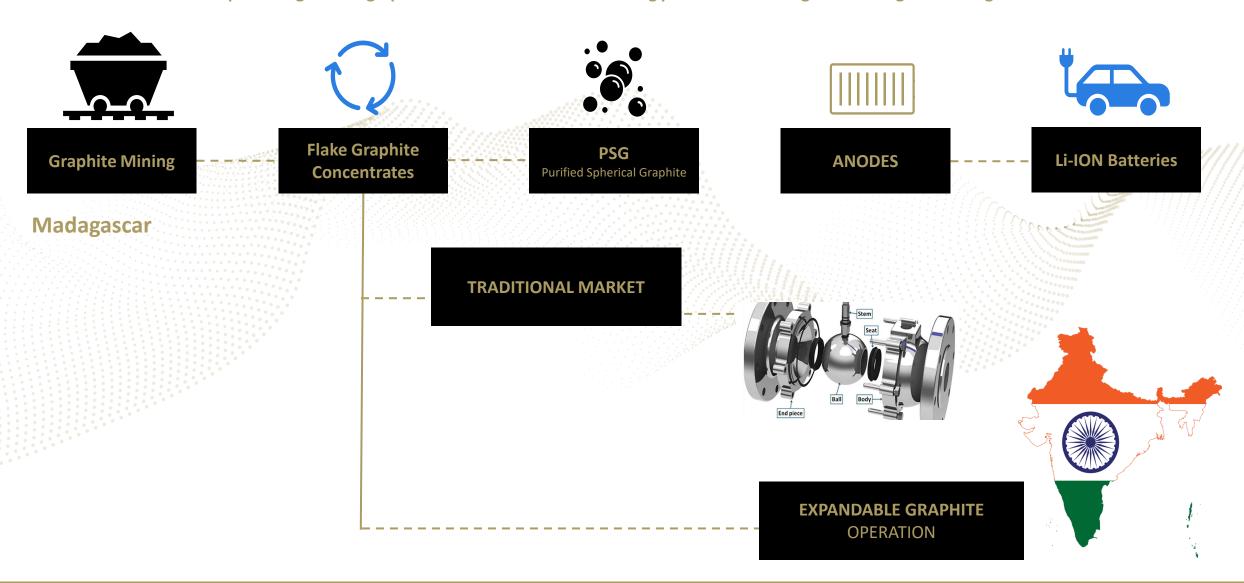


Craig Lennon
Non-Executive Director

- Craig Lennon, former CEO of Greenwing Resources Ltd. and Managing Director/CEO of Highlands Pacific Limited
- Extensive international experience in corporate transactions including joint ventures, mergers, acquisitions, capital raising and debt funding
- Currently the Head of Asia Pacific for Nickel 28 Capital Corp, a TSXV-listed battery metals investment compan

# **Evion's Unique Business Model**

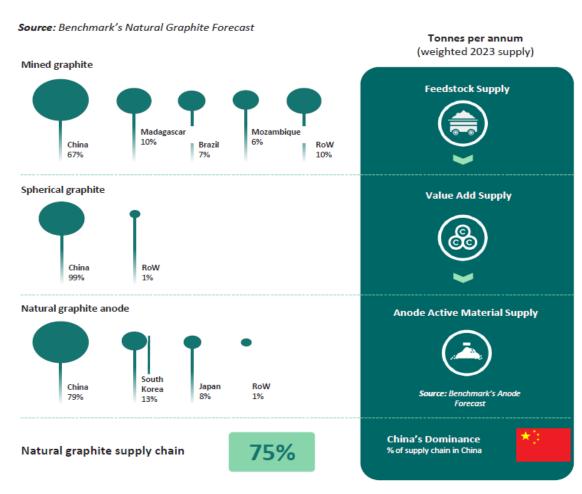
End to end business model producing natural graphite concentrate and value adding products for the high value – high demand global markets



# **Graphite Producers**

### Global Opportunities to flow – production outside of China is set to expand

## **Natural Graphite Anode**



Recent Ex-China offtake announcements

Novonix (NVX) 10kt offtake with Panasonic

Syray (SYR) 8kt offtake with Tesla

Nouveau Monde 18kt offtake with GM/Panasonic (plus equity)

Graphite market controlled by ONE main supplier - China

67% of raw flake graphite

99% of spherical graphite

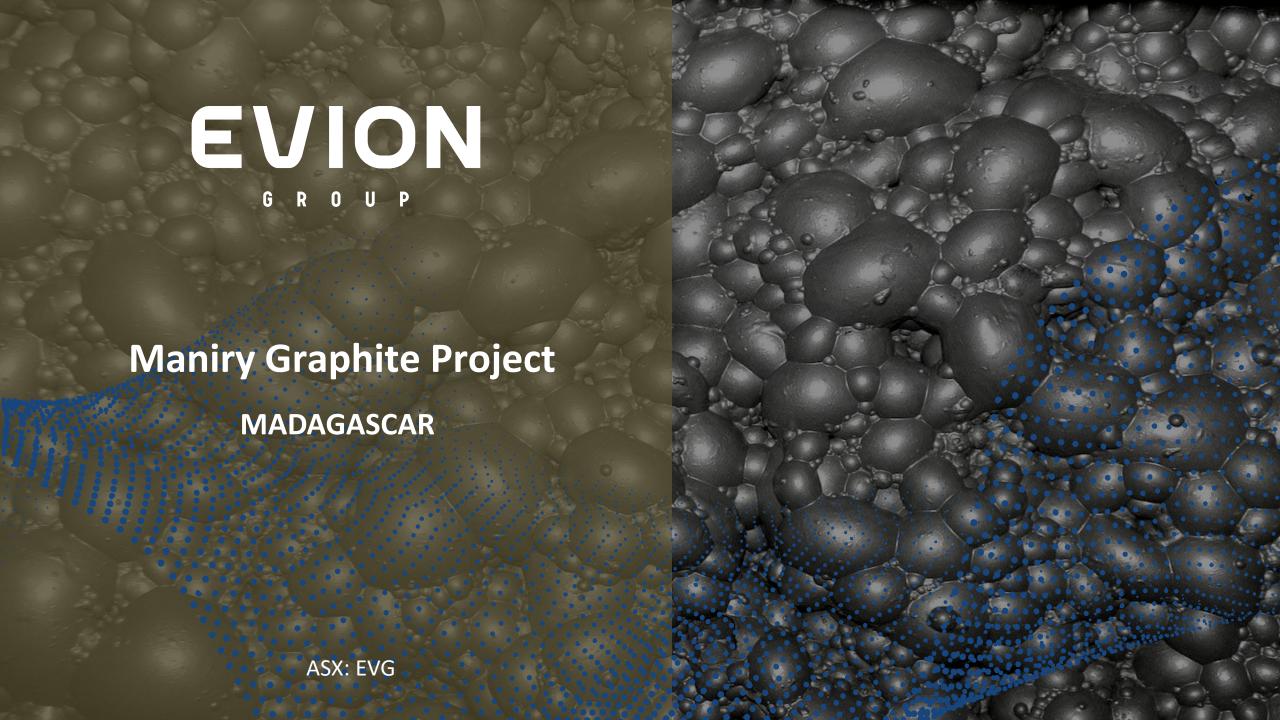
79% of natural graphite anode

China has introduced export controls for flake graphite and spherical graphite on 1 December 2023



Benchmark Mineral Intelligence 2023

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# **Maniry Project Highlights**

### **Maniry NPV**

US\$263m Pre-tax

US\$205m Post-tax

### **Expansion Potential**

Reserve 16.2Mt at 6.6%TGC

Resource 40.0Mt at 6.5%TGC

Exploration Target 260-380Mt at 6-8%TGC Pathway to Production (Activities Underway)

ESIA

Finalise Offtake

Permits & Licensing

**Project Finance** 

### **Quality Products**

Tier 1 Sample Approval

Fines – Li-ion Batteries Mid Size – High end Refractory Coarse Flake – Expandable Graphite

>95%FC = Price premium

### **DFS Life of Mine**

21 Years

With expansion options

18 years of Reserve Life

### Life of Mine Revenue

US\$1,638m

**Gross Revenue** 

US\$857m

**EBITDA** 

**Cautionary Statement: The Exploration Targets** reported herein are not JORC compliant Mineral Resources. The potential quantity and grade of the Exploration Targets are conceptual in nature, there has been insufficient exploration to determine a Mineral Resource and there is no certainty that further exploration work will result in the determination of a Mineral Resource. See ASX announcement dated 14 August 2018. For references to **NPV and Life of Mine Revenue**, refer to ASX release 3 November 2022 - BlackEarth completes positive DFS for Maniry Project.

# **Maniry Location**

# Adjacent to existing large scale operations





# **Madagascar Current Graphite Activity**

Significant in-country graphite mines and a long term producer and exporter





ASX announcement 7 September 2023

Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence & Gallois presentation

### Gallois – Madagascar Etablissements Gallois (Unlisted)

- Mineral Resource Grading Est 10% TGC
- ► Currently producing est 100,000+ tonnes pa

### Toamasina – DNI Metals (CSE:DNI)(1)

- ▶ Mineral Resource 4.0Mt grading 5% TGC
- Historic producing graphite property

### Sahamamy – Tirupati Graphite PLC (LSE:TGR)(2)

- ▶ Mineral Resource 7.1Mt grading 4.2% TGC
- Currently producing at a rate of 18,000 tonnes per annum

### Vatomina – Tirupati Graphite PLC (LSE:TGR)(2)

- ▶ Mineral Resource 18.4Mt grading 4.6% TGC
- Currently producing at a rate of 12,000tpa

### Ambato-Arana (CSE:LION)(3)

▶ Historic mines with free digging graphite production beginning in 1910

### Graphmada – Greenwing Resources (ASX:GW1)(4)

- Mineral Resource 62Mt grading 4.5% TGC
- ▶ Placed into Care & Maintenance in FY20
- Exploration continuing

### lanapera – Evion Group NL (ASX:EVG)(7)

Exploration Target: 20 – 34Mt at 10-20% TGC

### Molo - NextSource Materials Inc (TSX:NEXT)(5)

- Ore Reserves 22.4Mt grading 7.02% TGC
- ▶ Production to be 17,000 tonnes pa for first 2 years; planning expansion
- ▶ Commenced production in mid-2023

### Maniry – Evion Group NL (ASX:EVG)(6)

- ▶ Ore Reserve 16.2Mt grading 6.58% TGC
- ▶ Mineral Resource 40.0Mt grading 6.5% TGC
- ▶ Exploration Target: 260 380Mt at 6-8% TGC

ASX announcement 9 August 2022

# **EVION'S Pathway to Production In Madagascar**



TSX:NEXT Market Cap – CA\$ 127M(1)

MINE
DEVELOPMENT
&
PRODUCTION

DEFINITIVE
FEASIBILITY
STUDY
COMPLETED
WITH STRONG
BUSINESS CASE
FOR
DEVELOPMENT

PERMITTING

AND

LICENCE

APPROVAL IN

PROGRESS WITH

SUBSTANTIAL

WORK

COMPLETED

OFFTAKE
PARTNERS IN
PROGRESS

PLANNING FOR
ANODE

PRODUCTION
JOINT VENTURE
PARTNER

COMPLETED UNDERWAY NEXT STEPS

1. https://money.tmx.com/en/quote/NEXT



# Madagascar - Robust Mining Jurisdiction

### **BENEFITS OF MADAGASCAR**

- +100 years graphite production history
- New Mining Code with benefits flowing through to local stakeholders
- No Government "free-carried" interests
- Graphite projects being developed and expanded
- One of the Largest global graphite producer outside of China<sup>1</sup>
- Well supported by the World Bank, IFC
- Graphite skills available in-country
- Globally competitive tax and royalty rates



1. Source: Investing News Network Oct 2023



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Production Commenced – Expandable Graphite JV

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# **Panthera Graphite Technologies**

A 50/50 JV with Metachem Manufacturing Company Pvt Ltd



- Favourable fiscal terms for foreign investors in India
- Metachem Manufacturing Company Pvt. Ltd, is a 20+ years experienced producer of Expandable Graphite
- China currently controls global supply; to be impacted by recent export permit announcements
- The expandable graphite market is expected to grow in demand as fire retardant material, and for further downstream use in the automotive, EV and alternative energy sectors
- The JV has commenced production with ramp up continuing and full production imminent – plans to produce 2,000tpa with capacity to at least double production (1)



Jayant Pawar and Jonas Pawar (Metachem) and David Round (Evion Group NL) signing agreements.

(1) See ASX Announcement 8 April 2024

# **Panthera Graphite Technologies**





### HIGHLY PROFITABLE AND SCALEABLE

- Feasibility Study concluded previously indicating strong financial returns (1)
- Massive opportunity to capitalise on ban on Chinese Exports
- Increased demand for material leading to price increases
- Sales to Europe, Japan and USA
- Plan to double production by 2026

Financial Metric	Unit	Panthera Graphite JV	Evion's Share
Evion Ownership	(%)	100%	50.00%
Project Life	(Yrs)	25	25
Total Gross Revenue	(US\$ M, real)	477.7	238.8
Total EBITDA	(US\$ M, real)	226.0	113.0
Total Net Cash Flows Before Tax	(US\$ M, real)	218.5	109.3
Total Net Cash Flows After Tax	(US\$ M, real)	174.8	87.4
Discount rate	(%)		6.50%
NPV - after tax	(US\$ M, real)	77.7	38.9
IRR - after tax	(%, real)		570.66%

(1) See ASX Announcement 22 July 2022

# **Panthera Graphite Technologies**



SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE INFRASTRUCTURE RICH



PROCESSING FACILITY
ADJACENT TO HIGHWAY



Site purchased in early 2023

**Production commenced** April 2024



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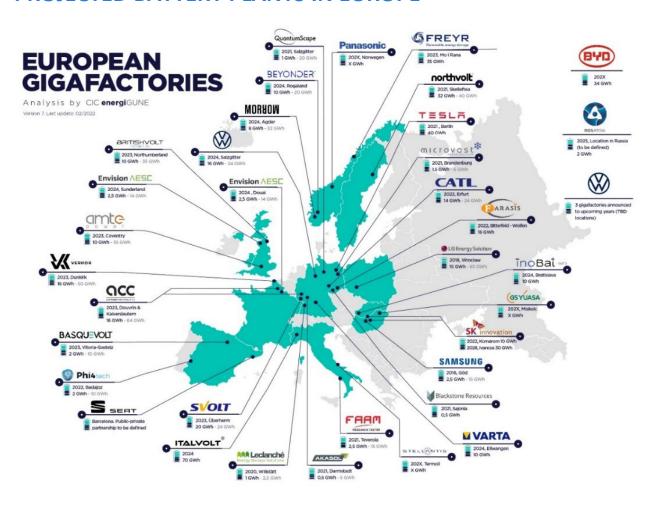
**Battery Anode Material Project** (BAM)

**EUROPE** 

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# **Battery Anode Material Project**

### PROJECTED BATTERY PLANTS IN EUROPE



### **BENCHMARK PROJECTIONS**

- Massive development of Gigafactories over the next decade
- Car manufacturers investing in these plants to secure supply
- Anode manufacturers looking to securing supply and invest in operations to secure offtake
- EU offering massive subsidies to encourage operations in Europe
- EU office In Madagascar supporting our submission for development

Photos sourced from Dorfner ANZAPLAN

# **Battery Anode Material Project**

### **HISTORY**

- Positive test work to date led by German based group,
   Dorfner Anzaplan.
- Site reviews undertaken in Europe and meetings held with development and funding partners.
- Plan to feed fine flake product from Maniry to future Battery Anode Material Plant.

### **FUTURE MILESTONES**

- Next phase: assess financial, technical and logistical viability.
- EVG's recent Scoping Study that demonstrated a compelling commercial case for Battery Anode Material production in Europe.



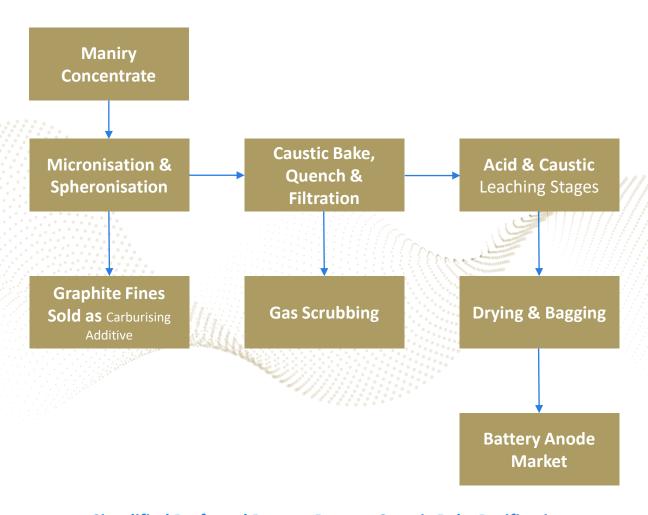
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# **Battery Anode Material Project**

### **SCOPING STUDY RESULTS 2023**

- The Maniry DFS and the BAM Scoping Study are central to Evion's strategy to be a vertically-integrated supplier of graphite products, enabling it to capitalise on the forecast surge in demand from the lithium-ion battery and EV markets
- The plant would process graphite concentrate from Evion's Maniry project in Madagascar into uncoated spheronised purified graphite (SPG) for use in lithium-ion batteries
- The Study reviewed five different process routes and two throughput rates as a precursor to a Pre-feasibility Study
- Discussions already underway with strategic stakeholders about finance / grants, offtakes and location options within Germany.



Simplified Preferred Process Route – Caustic Bake Purification

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# **Battery Anode Material Project**

**SCOPING STUDY HIGHLIGHTS**<sup>1</sup>

### **PRODUCT OUTPUT**

	30,000tpa	15,000tpa	
Pre-Tax NPV8% (US\$M) (2)	\$392m	\$152m	
Pre-Tax IRR (%)	39.50%	28.40%	
Initial CAPEX (US\$M) (1)	\$117m	\$74.m	
Total Pre-Tax Cashflow (US\$M)	\$2,808m	\$1,404m	
Payback (years)	3.51	4.67	

### **DEVELOPMENT PLANS**

- Scoping Study undertaken by Wave International, Australia –
   have done similar work for EVG peers
- Positive test work to date led by German based group,
   Dorfner Anzaplan. Ongoing involvement
- Site reviews undertaken in Europe and meetings held with development and funding partners.
- Plan to feed fine flake product from Maniry to future Battery Anode Material Plant.
- Anode Plant discussions continuing with JV Partners and others

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See ASX Announcement 17 January 2023

# **Project Development Approach**



















- 100% of Madagascan staff are residents
- 100% of operations personnel within the Panthera JV will be Indian

Construction and refurbishment of schools within the Maniry area

Providing regular food parcels to local villages in Madagascar

Ongoing support & upskilling / training of Maniry villagers

98% of staff planned for the Maniry Project to be Malagasy (>400 personnel)

Assisted in the construction of a new medical facility in the Maniry region

PhD sponsorship of Malagasy geologist currently studying in Australia

- Current management in Madagascar 60% Female, 40% Male
- Corporate management 67% Male, 33% Female









- Adopted the UN's 17 SDGS framework for the development of the Maniry Project
- ESG certified by Digbee ESG
- Maniry to be developed and operate in alignment with IFC Performance Standards on environmental & social sustainability
- Planned initiatives to further lower carbon footprint in both India & Madagascar









- Health & safety protocols in place for travel and site works
- Climate impact management initiatives addressed as part of the Maniry DFS
- Ongoing health & wellbeing plans evolving as part of the development







## **2024 Planned Activities**

- Growth in India JV
  - Strong sales pipeline second half of 2024
  - Plans to double production
- Deliver on major final milestones for Maniry Project Approval of ESIA and Relocation Action Plans
- Finalise Maniry Project Financing, Licensing and Permitting
- 4 Finalise Offtake Agreements for Maniry Concentrate
- 5 FID of the Maniry Project

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6 Ongoing development of BAM Plant pre-feasibility study and commercial plans



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