

Black Cat Syndicate Limited ("Black Cat" or "the Company") is pleased to provide an update on exploration plans at the Mt Clement Antimony Project ("Mt Clement").

## HIGHLIGHTS (All figures in A\$ unless otherwise stated)

- Black Cat has secured two additional<sup>1</sup> co-funding grants from the Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety ("DEMIRS").
  - An Exploration Incentive Scheme ("EIS") grant amounting to \$175,000 for two deep diamond holes (~800m each) at Mt Clement (Figure 2); and
  - A Co-Funded Geophysics Program grant amounting to \$129,000 for a 55-line-km regional-scale magnetotelluric ("MT") survey extending from south of Mt Clement to the Paulsens Gold Operation ("Paulsens") (Figure 3).
- Both of these applications were part of a competitive process, dependent on the technical merits of the opportunities outlined.
- The two ~800m deep diamond drillholes are planned to transect Mt Clement, testing down dip from known mineralisation by up to ~400m and across the full zone of mapped mineralisation. The holes will be drilled during the upcoming (~6,000m) diamond drill program at Mt Clement. This program will also infill and extend the current Resource (794kt @ 1.7% Sb, 17g/t Ag, 2.4% Pb)² and test at least three of the identified sub-parallel surface lodes.
- Metallurgical testwork and additional targeted detailed surface mapping will also be undertaken as part of the upcoming Mt Clement exploration program
- The 55-line-km MT survey extends from south of Mt Clement to Paulsens. This survey will traverse regionally significant faults including the Barring Downs Fault Zone (hosting the Big Sarah gold prospect)<sup>3</sup> and the Nanjilgardy Fault Zone, a major controlling structure for gold mineralisation in the region. The aim of the survey is to resolve the fault zones that control regional gold mineralisation to guide future exploration targeting.

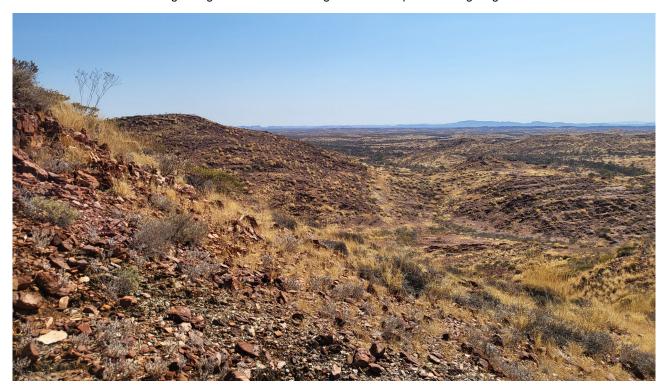


Figure 1: Field photograph looking north across the Ashburton Basin from the Boolaloo project area

Black Cat's Managing Director, Gareth Solly, said: "Black Cat has now secured three separate WA Government co-funding grants to explore in the Paulsens gold and Mt Clement antimony district, demonstrating the quality of our regional and near-mine targets. We are looking forward to conducting these programs in the coming months and further unlocking the potential of this area for more gold, and antimony, sooner."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> BC8:ASX 24 October 2024

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> BC8:ASX 22 November 2022

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> BC8:ASX 21 October 2024

#### **BACKGROUND**

Mt Clement is located ~30km south of Paulsens in the Ashburton Basin (Figure 2). The deposit is a zoned polymetallic mineral system with a western Ag-Au-Cu zone ("**Western Zone**") and an eastern Sb-Ag-Pb zone ("**Eastern Zone**")<sup>4</sup>. The Eastern Zone is currently Australia's fourth largest antimony Resource, containing an Inferred Resource of 13.2kt Sb @ 1.7% Sb. Black Cat's tenements around Mt Clement cover ~677km² including an extensive area of poorly tested surface copper-gold mineralisation 10km south of Mt Clement<sup>5</sup>.

Planned drilling is designed to test the unconstrained Taipan Lode, which hosts the current Resource, as well as test the Dugite and Gwardar lodes ~100m to the north<sup>3</sup>. The two EIS co-funded drillholes will provide valuable information about the vertical extent of mineralisation (Figure 2). Drilling will commence in late June 2025.

The 55-line-km MT survey is designed to transect the majority Ashburton Basin and most of the adjacent Wyloo Dome, which hosts Paulsens (Figure 3). The survey has three main goals:

- 1. **Map the thickness of the Ashburton Basin** Mapping variations in thickness of the basin sediments will assist with identifying major crustal-scale faults that have potential to control the location of mineralisation;
- Detect local conductivity anomalies along faults variations in electrical conductivity at depth along interpreted fault zones could potentially indicate alteration along these faults, further refining which structures are potentially related to mineralisation; and
- 3. **Identify conductive zones around Paulsens** the survey line is designed to cross the 3D seismic survey area near where the Paulsens West target is located.

The MT survey will refine Black Cat's greenfields targeting across the Ashburton Basin and Wyloo Dome in support of our more gold, sooner strategy by allowing us to focus on the more highly prospective structures quicker.

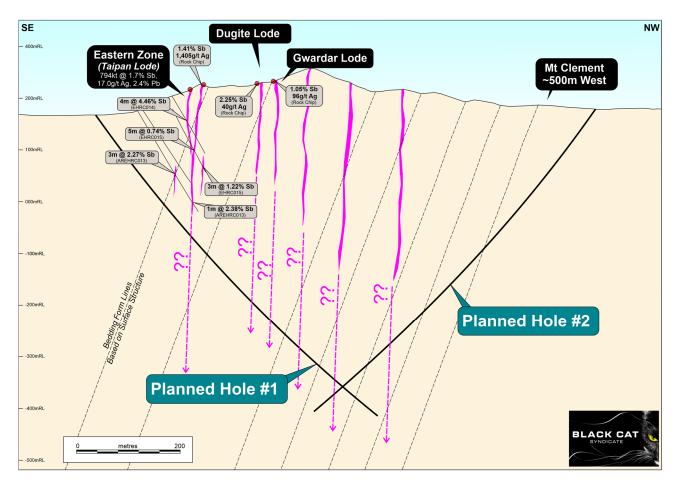


Figure 2: Schematic cross section of the Mt Clement Eastern Zone mineral system showing interpreted vertical extensions of mapped surface lodes. The entirety of the current Resource is hosted in the southernmost Taipan Lode as indicated on the section. Historical drill results<sup>6</sup> are shown on the section line and the two planned deep diamond drill hole traces are shown for reference.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> BC8:ASX 22 November 2022

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> BC8:ASX 4 December 2023

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> BC8:ASX 22 November 2022

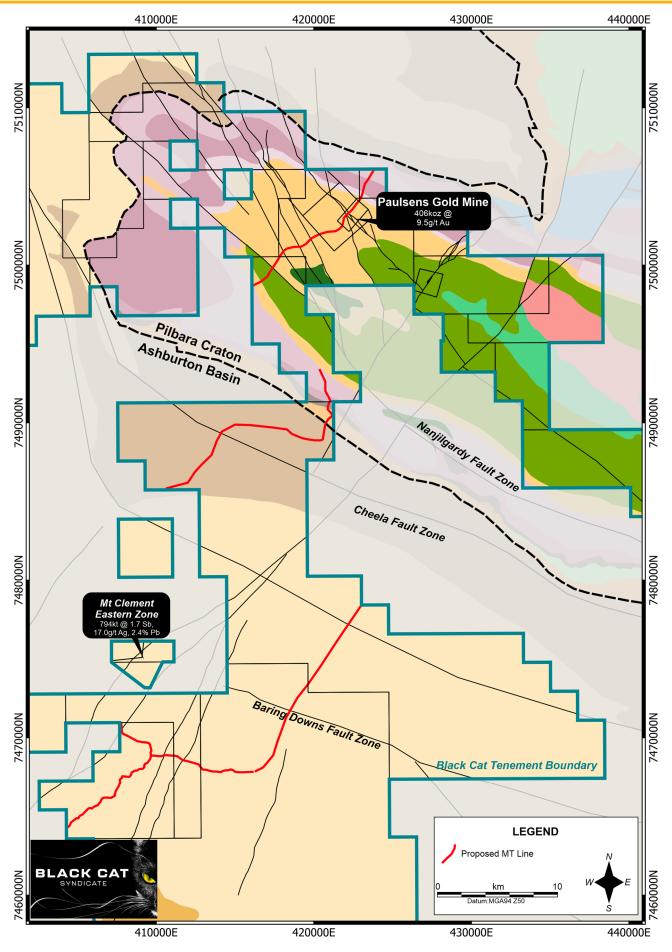


Figure 3: Simplified geological map of the area between Paulsens and Mt Clement showing the Black Cat's current tenement package, the planned MT survey line (red) and the location of the Mt Clement Eastern Zone Resource.

#### **PLANNED ACTIVITIES**

As at the date of this announcement, the proposed activities and timing for the Company over the coming months includes:

Ongoing Underground drilling at Paulsens

Ongoing Mining activities at Kal East (optimisations, tendering, dewatering etc.)

Apr - Jul 2025 Surface drilling at Kal East (Majestic, Fingals, etc.)

Apr - Oct 2025 Mining at Myhree/Boundary open pits

6 May 2025 General Meeting

May - Jul 2025 Paulsens West Seismic Target drilling (EIS co-funded)

Jun - Sep 2025 Mt Clement Eastern Zone antimony drilling

Jun - Sep 2025 Paulsens regional exploration

July - Sep 2025 Ashburton MT survey (co-funded)

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This announcement has been approved for release by the Board of Black Cat Syndicate Limited.

# **COMPETENT PERSON'S STATEMENT**

The information in this announcement that relates to geology, exploration results and planning was compiled by Dr. Wesley Groome, RPGeo, who is a Registered Professional Geoscientist (Mineral Exploration) in the AIG and an employee, shareholder and option holder of the Company. Dr. Groome has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity being 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'. Dr. Groome consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on the information in the form and context in which it appears.

The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information in the original reports, and that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original reports.

Where the Company refers to the exploration results, Mineral Resources, and Reserves in this report (referencing previous releases made to the ASX), it confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in that announcement and all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the Mineral Resource and Reserve estimates with that announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed.

The Company confirms that all material assumptions underpinning the production targets, or the forecast information derived from the production targets, included in the original ASX announcements dated, 8 May 2024, 9 May 2024 and 15 May 2024 continue to apply and have not materially changed.

## **ABOUT BLACK CAT SYNDICATE (ASX: BC8)**

Black Cat is a gold producer with operating mines and processing facilities at two of its three 100% owned operations. Gold production occurs at:

**Kal East:** comprising ~650km² of highly prospective ground to the east of the world class mining centre of Kalgoorlie, WA. Kal East contains a Resource of 18.8Mt @ 2.1g/t Au for 1,294koz, including a preliminary JORC 2012 Reserve of 3.7Mt @ 2.0 g/t Au for 243koz. A turn-key funding, development & processing arrangement to mine and mill the Myhree and Boundary open pit deposits is underway<sup>7</sup>. Black Cat 100% owns and operates the 1.2Mtpa Lakewood gold processing facility, located ~6km east of Kalgoorlie.

**Paulsens:** comprising ~3,200km² of tenure located ~180km west of Paraburdoo in WA. Paulsens is an operational underground mine, with a 450ktpa processing facility, 128-person camp and other related infrastructure. Gold production restarted in December 2024 and will move to full production during 2025. Paulsens has a regional Resource of 4.3Mt @ 4.0g/t Au for 548koz and significant exploration and growth potential.

The Company has significant regional exploration potential at both Paulsens and Kal East. In addition, the Company has two major organic growth projects at:

**Coyote:** comprising 1,050km² prospective tenements located in Northern Australia, ~20km on the WA side of the WA/NT border, on the Tanami Highway. Coyote has substantial infrastructure including an airstrip, underground mine, 300ktpa processing facility, +180-person camp and other related infrastructure. The operation has a Resource of 3.7Mt @ 5.5g/t Au for 645koz with numerous high-grade targets in the surrounding area. Operations are planned to restart in the future.

**Mt Clement:** is located 30 km from the Paulsens Gold Operation and is currently the 4<sup>th</sup> largest antimony deposit in Australia. Significant upside potential for growth of the antimony Resource exists with the Company actively exploring the region.

## **Coyote Gold Operation**

- Landholding ~1,050sqkm
- Gold Resources: 3.7Mt @ 5.5g/t for 645koz
- Mill: 300ktpa only mill in Western Tanami region (expandable); operational +180-person camp
- Historical Production: >35kozpa (211koz @ 4.9 g/t)
- · C&M, multiple open pits & underground potential

## **Paulsens Gold Operation**

- Landholding ~3,190sqkm
- Gold Resources: 4.3Mt @ 4.0g/t for 548koz
- Critical/Base Metals: 14kt Sb, 19kt Pb, 1.6kt Cu, 1.5Moz Ag
- Mill: 450ktpa regionally strategic location; +128-person camp
   Historical Production: ~75kozpa (1,003koz @ 6.9 g/t mined)
- Operational with underground mining ramping up

# Kal East Gold Operation

- Landholding ~650sqkm
- Gold Resources: 18.8Mt @ 2.1g/t for 1,294koz
- Lakewood Processing Facility: operational 1.2Mtpa gold plant
- Historical Production: ~600koz
- Mining at Myhree and Boundary underway
- Multiple pits and undergrounds to be operational and processing through Lakewood in 2025



Strategic Landholding ~4,890 km²

Gold Resources 2.5Moz @ 2.9 g/t Au

Milling Capacity 1.65Mtpa (operating)

Potential Pathway to 200kozpa

<sup>7</sup> BC8 ASX announcement 20/05/24

# APPENDIX A - JORC 2012 GOLD RESOURCE TABLE - BLACK CAT (100% OWNED)

Mining Centre		Measured Resource		Indicated Resource			Inferred Resource			Total Resource			
		Tonnes ('000)	Grade (g/t Au)	Metal ('000 oz)	Tonnes ('000)	Grade (g/t Au)	Metal ('000 oz)	Tonnes ('000)	Grade (g/t Au)	Metal ('000 oz)	Tonnes ('000)	Grade (g/t Au)	Metal ('000 oz)
Kal East													
	Myhree/Boundary OP	-	-	-	903	2.7	78	300	1.8	17	1,203	2.5	95
	Myhree/Boundary UG	-	-	-	230	4.6	34	585	3.8	71	815	4.0	105
Bulong	Other Open Pits	-	-	-	97.5	2.5	7.8	1,079.40	1.8	61.8	1,176.80	1.8	69.6
	Other Underground	-	-	-	-		-	351.6	3.2	35.7	351.6	3.2	35.7
	Sub Total	-	-	-	1,230	3.0	120	2,316	2.5	185	3,546	2.7	305
	Open Pit	13	3.2	1	7,198	1.8	407	6,044	1.5	291	13,253	1.6	699
Mt Monger	Underground	-	-	-	1,178	4.5	169	710	4.6	104	1,888	4.5	274
	Sub Total	-	-	-	8,375	2.1	576	6,754	1.8	395	15,142	2.0	972
Rowes Find Open Pit		-	-	-	-	-	-	148	3.6	17	148	3.6	17
Kal East Resource		13	3.2	1	9,605	2.3	696	9,219	2.0	597	18,836	2.1	1,294
Coyote Gold Or	<u>peration</u>												
	Open Pit	-	-	-	608	2.8	55	203	3.0	19	811	2.9	75
Coyote Central	Underground	-	-	-	240	23.4	181	516	10.5	175	757	14.6	356
	Sub Total	-	-	-	849	8.7	236	719	8.4	194	1,568	8.5	430
Bald Hill	Open Pit	-	-	-	560	2.8	51	613	3.2	63	1,174	3.0	114
	Underground	-	-	-	34	2.7	3	513	5.0	82	547	4.8	84
	Sub Total	-	-	-	594	2.8	54	1,126	4.0	145	1,721	3.6	198
Stockpiles	•	-	-	-	375	1.4	17	-	-	-	375	1.4	17
Coyote Resource		-	-	-	1,818	5.3	307	1,845	5.7	339	3,664	5.5	645
Paulsens Gold	<u>Operation</u>												
	Underground	159	10.8	55	827	9.6	254	348	8.6	97	1,334	9.5	406
Paulsens	Stockpile	11	1.6	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	1.6	1
	Sub Total	170	10.2	56	827	9.6	254	348	8.6	97	1,345	9.4	407
Mt Clement	Open Pit	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,249	1.5	61	1,249	1.5	61
	Underground	-	-	-	-	-	-	492	0.3	5	492	0.3	5
	Sub Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,741	1.2	66	1,741	1.2	66
Belvedere	Underground	-	-	-	95	5.9	18	44	8.3	12	139	6.6	30
Northern Anticline	Open Pit	-	-	-	-	-	-	523	1.4	24	523	1.4	24
Electric Dingo	Open Pit	-	-	-	98	1.6	5	444	1.2	17	542	1.3	22
Paulsens Resource		170	10.2	56	1,019	8.4	277	3,100	2.2	216	4,289	4.0	548
TOTAL Resource		183	9.7	57	12,442	3.2	1,280	14,164	2.5	1,152	26,789	2.9	2,488

# Notes on Resources:

- The preceding statements of Mineral Resources conforms to the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (JORC Code) 2012 Edition
- All tonnages reported are dry metric tonnes.
- Data is rounded to thousands of tonnes and thousands of ounces gold. Discrepancies in totals may occur due to rounding.
- Resources have been reported as both open pit and underground with varying cut-offs based off several factors discussed in the corresponding Table 1 which can be found 4. with the original ASX announcements for each Resource. Resources are reported inclusive of any Reserves.
- Paulsens Inferred Resource includes Mt Clement Eastern Zone Au of 7koz @ 0.3g/t Au accounting for lower grades reported.

The announcements containing the Table 1 Checklists of Assessment and Reporting Criteria relating for the 2012 JORC compliant Resources are:

#### Kal East Gold Project

- Boundary, Trump, Myhree Black Cat ASX announcement on 9 October 2020 "Strong Resource Growth Continues including 53% Increase at Fingals Fortune"
- Strathfield Black Cat ASX announcement on 31 March 2020 "Bulong Resource Jumps by 21% to 294,000 oz"
- Majestic Black Cat ASX announcement on 25 January 2022 "Majestic Resource Growth and Works Approval Granted"
- Sovereign, Imperial Black Cat ASX announcement on 11 March 2021 "1 Million Oz in Resource & New Gold Targets" Jones Find - Black Cat ASX announcement 04 March 2022 "Resource Growth Continues at Jones Find"
- Crown Black Cat ASX announcement on 02 September 2021 "Maiden Resources Grow Kal East to 1.2Moz"
- Fingals Fortune Black Cat ASX announcement on 23 November 2021 "Upgraded Resource Delivers More Gold at Fingals Fortune"
- Fingals East Black Cat ASX announcement on 31 May 2021 "Strong Resource Growth Continues at Fingals".
- Trojan Black Cat ASX announcement on 7 October 2020 "Black Cat Acquisition adds 115,000oz to the Fingals Gold Project".
- Queen Margaret, Melbourne United Black Cat ASX announcement on 18 February 2019 "Robust Maiden Mineral Resource Estimate at Bulong"
- Anomaly 38 Black Cat ASX announcement on 31 March 2020 "Bulong Resource Jumps by 21% to 294,000 oz"
- Wombola Dam Black Cat ASX announcement on 28 May 2020 "Significant Increase in Resources Strategic Transaction with Silver Lake"
- Hammer and Tap, Rowe's Find Black Cat ASX announcement on 10 July 2020 "JORC 2004 Resources Converted to JORC 2012 Resources"

- Coyote OP&UG Black Cat ASX announcement on 16 January 2022 "Coyote Underground Resource increases to 356koz @ 14.6g/t Au One of the highest-grade deposits in Australia'
- Sandpiper OP&UG, Kookaburra OP, Pebbles OP, Stockpiles, SP (Coyote) Black Cat ASX announcement on 25 May 2022 "Coyote & Paulsens High-Grade JORC Resources

#### Paulsens Gold Operation

- Paulsens UG Black Cat ASX announcement on 31 October 2023 "24% Resource Increase, Paulsens Underground 406koz @ 9.5g/t Au"
- Paulsens SP Black Cat ASX announcement on 19 April 2022 "Funded Acquisition of Coyote & Paulsens Gold Operations Supporting Documents'
- Belvedere UG Black Cat ASX announcement on 21 November 2023 "Enhanced Restart Plan for Paulsens"
- Mt Clement Black Cat ASX announcement on 24 November 2022 "High-Grade Au-Cu-Sb-Ag-Pb Resource at Paulsens"
- Merlin, Electric Dingo Black Cat ASX announcement on 25 May 2022 "Coyote & Paulsens High-Grade JORC Resources Confirmed"

# APPENDIX B - JORC 2012 POLYMETALLIC RESOURCES - BLACK CAT (100% OWNED)

Deposit	Resource	Tonnes (,000 t)	Grade					Contained Metal				
	Category		Au (g/t)	Cu (%)	Sb (%)	Ag (g/t)	Pb (%)	Au (koz)	Cu (kt)	Sb (kt)	Ag (koz)	Pb (kt)
10/	Inferred	415	-	0.4	0.2	76.9	-	*	1.6	0.7	1,026	-
Western	Total	415	-	0.4	0.2	76.9	-	*	1.6	0.7	1,026	-
Central	Inferred	532	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-
Central	Total	532	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-
Eastern	Inferred	794	-	-	1.7	17.0	2.4	*	-	13.2	434	18.7
⊏astem	Total	794	-	-	1.7	17.0	2.4	*	-	13.2	434	18.7
Total		1,741	-	-	-	-	-	*	1.6	13.9	1,460	18.7

#### Notes on Resources:

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- All tonnages reported are dry metric tonnes.
- Data is rounded to thousands of tonnes and thousands of ounces/tonnes for copper, antimony, silver, and lead. Discrepancies in totals may occur due to rounding
- Resources have been reported as both open pit and underground with varying cut-offs based off several factors discussed in the corresponding Table 1 which can be found with the original ASX announcements for each Resource.
- Resources are reported inclusive of any Reserves.

  Gold is reported in the previous table for Mt Clement, and so is not reported here. A total of 66koz of gold is contained within the Mt Clement Resource.

The announcements containing the Table 1 Checklists of Assessment and Reporting Criteria relating for the 2012 JORC compliant Reserves are:

#### Paulsens Gold Operation

Mt Clement – Black Cat ASX announcement on 24 November 2022 "High-Grade Au-Cu-Sb-Ag-Pb Resource at Paulsens"

# APPENDIX C - JORC 2012 GOLD RESERVE TABLE - BLACK CAT (100% OWNED)

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	Tonnes ('000s)	Grade (g/t Au)	Metal ('000s oz)	Tonnes ('000s)	Grade (g/t Au)	Metal ('000s oz)	Tonnes ('000s)	Grade (g/t Au)	Metal ('000s oz)	
Kal East										
Myhree Open Pit	-	-	-	545	2.4	46	545	2.4	46	
Boundary Open Pit	-	-	-	120	1.5	6	120	1.5	6	
Other Open Pits	-	-	-	2,623	1.7	141	2,584	1.7	142	
Sub total Open Pits	-	-	-	3,288	1.8	193	3,288	1.8	193	
Underground	-	-	-	437	3.6	50	437	3.6	50	
Kal East Reserve	-	-	-	3,725	2.0	243	3,725	2.0	243	
Paulsens Gold Operation	<u>n</u>									
Underground	93	4.5	14	537	4.3	74	631	4.3	87	
Paulsens Reserve	93	4.5	14	537	4.3	74	631	4.3	87	
TOTAL Reserves	93	4.5	14	4,262	2.3	317	4,356	2.4	330	

#### Notes on Reserve:

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  Data is rounded to thousands of tonnes and thousands of ounces gold. Discrepancies in totals may occur due to rounding.
- 4. Cut-off Grade:
  - Open Pit The Ore Reserves are based upon an internal cut-off grade greater than or equal to the break-even cut-off grade.
- O Underground The Ore Reserves are based upon an internal cut-off grade greater than the break-even cut-off grade. The commodity price used for the Revenue calculations for Kal East was AUD \$2,300 per ounce.
  The commodity price used for the Revenue calculations for Paulsens was AUD \$2,500 per ounce.
- The Ore Reserves are based upon a State Royalty of 2.5% and a refining charge of 0.2%

The announcements containing the Table 1 Checklists of Assessment and Reporting Criteria relating for the 2012 JORC compliant Reserves are:

#### Kal East Gold Project

Black Cat ASX announcement on 03 June 2022 "Robust Base Case Production Plan of 302koz for Kal East"

# Paulsens Gold Operation

Black Cat ASX announcement on 10 July 2023 "Robust Restart Plan for Paulsens"