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## **Metallurgical Test Work Nxuu Deposit - Interim Results**

## **Highlight Summary**

Mount Burgess Mining NL (MTB) is pleased to announce the interim results of hydrometallurgical test work conducted for the recovery of metals on site. The test work showed recovery of elements into solution as follows:

Zn : >96%
Pb :79.4.0%
V : 91.1%
Ga : 59.3%
Ge : 77.3%

MTB Chairman and Managing Director, Mr Nigel Forrester, said "Results from the latest hydrometallurgical test work on the Nxuu Deposit are highly encouraging, confirming the high recoveries for Zn, V as well as Ge, Ga and some of the additional REE's present within the Nxuu deposit. Whilst the Pb recovery through a hydrometallurgical route showed a 79.4% recovery, previous flotation test work has exhibited a 93% lead recovery in a lead concentrate consisting of cassiterite mineral. These latest test results will feed into a scoping study that is planned for later in 2025."

## **Review of Hydrometallurgical Test Work**

The objective of the latest test work was to improve the leaching kinetics via a hydrometallurgical route in which the process parameters involving pressure, temperature and pH were varied in order to determine their individual influences on the extraction of the economic elements.

Leach tests were carried out during March 2025 on a master Nxuu composite.

Nxuu Master Composite												
Zn	Pb	Ag	Ge	Ga	V	Fe	S	Cu	Al	Si	La	Nd
%	%	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	%	%	ppm	%	%	ppm	ppm
1.60	0.82	7	3	10	290	1.06	0.02	55	3.76	30.32	24	20

Composite samples for mineralogical and metallurgical test work were selected from the following drill holes.

Hole ID	Easting	Northing	RL	Depth	Width	EOH	Dip°	Azimuth <sup>o</sup>
			Survey	(m)				
NXDD066A	508655	7821743	1132	40	HQ	40	90	0
NXDD079A	508873	7821777	1141	52	HQ	52	90	0
NXDD083	508975	7821774	1134	50	HQ	50	90	0
NXDD098	508875	7821823	1136	40	HQ	40	90	0
NXDD102	508952	7821798	1132	50	HQ	50	90	0

Figure 1 shows the location of these samples on the Nxuu Deposit drill hole map and are marked by red dot. The intercept lengths used to form the composite are shown on Figure 2.

Alkaline Leach Test 1 with high alkaline pH > 11.0 and temperature of  $145^{\circ}$ C and 5.4kPa was followed by Acid Leach Test 1 – a pressure leach test at pH.16,  $145^{\circ}$ C and 7.4kPa. For the pressure Acid Leach Test 2 the parameters were increased using pH1.48,  $220^{\circ}$ C and 32kPa. A calcination (Bake) and Water Leach Test was then carried out at  $750^{\circ}$ C for two hours.

The results from the tests are noted in the summary of highlights above. The zinc dissolution of >96% and 91.1% vanadium were achieved by the application of a dual leaching process. This is an ongoing evaluation of the process development for the Nxuu Deposit

In addition, the extraction percentage rate of several key REE elements attained are shown below;

- La 69.1%
- Nd 68%
- Pr 70.1%
- Ce 63.3%
- Sm 63.6%
- Eu 90.3%

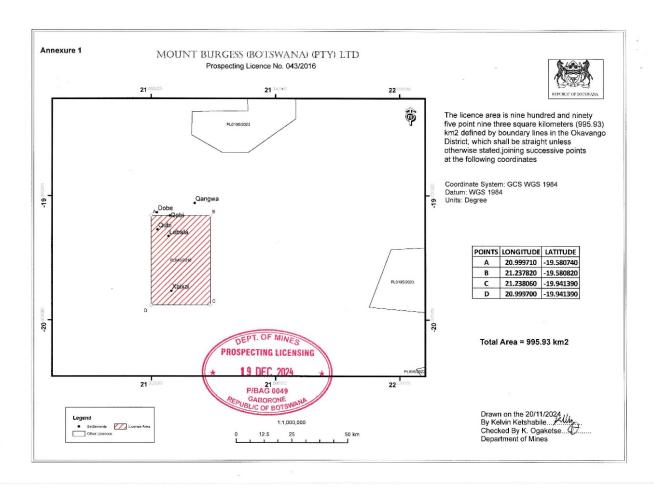
The extraction percentages for Pr, Ce, Sm and Eu were not assayed for the master Nxuu composite sample but have been calculated from the solution and solid assays taken during the leach tests.

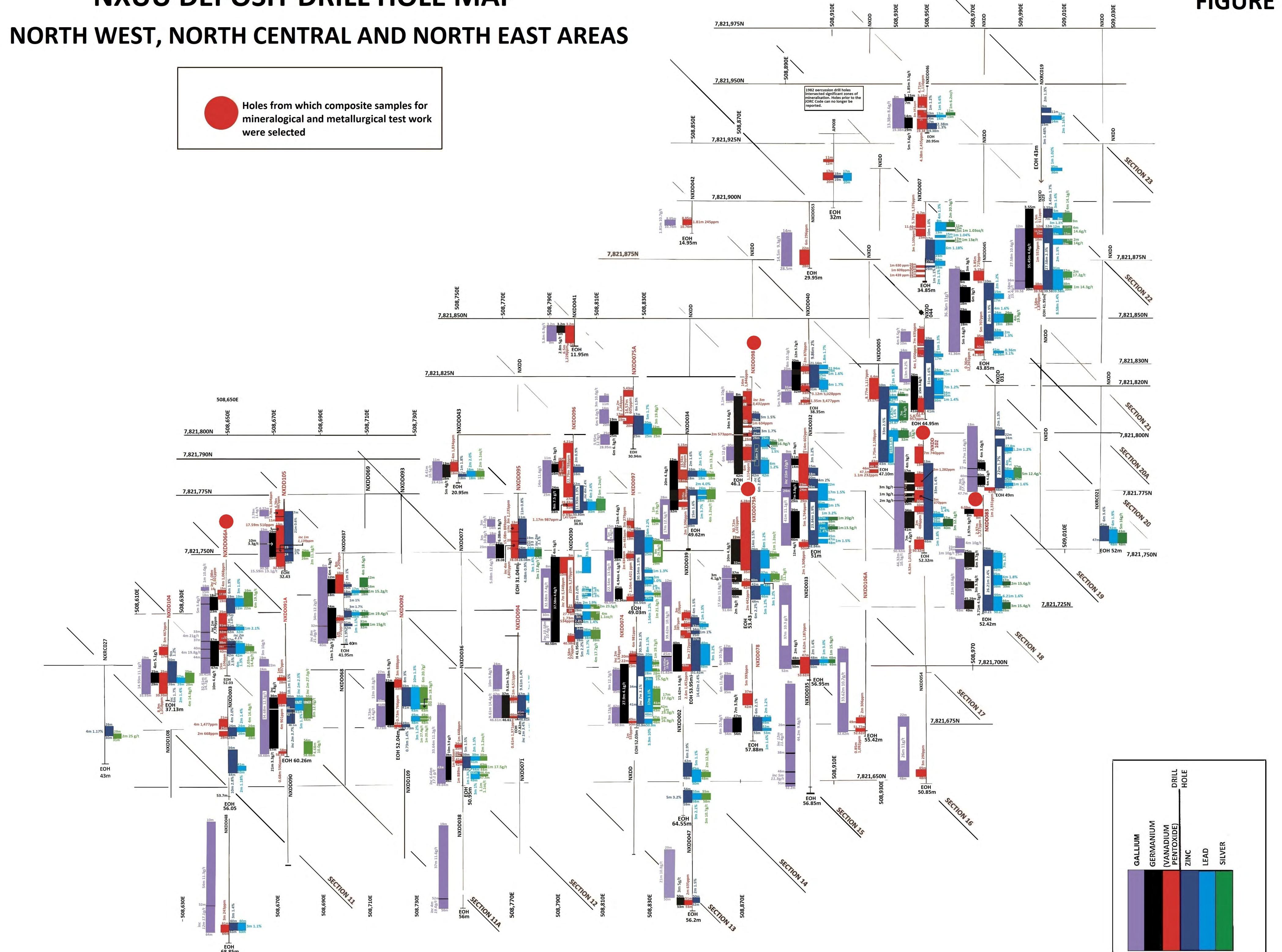
The highly oxidised Nxuu deposit, resulted in a high dissolution of Al, Si and K due to the Aluminium Silicate minerals present in the ore, in which the REE's are associated.

Al, Si & K > 70% dissolution

Further test work is being carried out to improve the recoveries of Ga, Ge and REE elements.

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# FIGURE 2

# Details for Drill Holes from which Composite Samples for Mineralogical and Metallurgical Test Work were selected

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17.00	18.00							17.00	18.
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		37.00	38.00	38.00	39.00	40.00	41.00		
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				48.00	49.00				
				40.00	43.00				

### **Forward Looking Statement**

This report contains forward looking statements in respect of the projects being reported on by the Company. Forward looking statements are based on beliefs, opinions, assessments and estimates based on facts and information available to management and/or professional consultants at the time they are formed or made and are, in the opinion of management and/or consultants, applied as reasonably and responsibly as possible as at the time that they are applied.

Any statements in respect of Ore Reserves, Mineral Resources and zones of mineralisation may also be deemed to be forward looking statements in that they contain estimates that the Company believes have been based on reasonable assumptions with respect to the mineralisation that has been found thus far. Exploration targets are conceptual in nature and are formed from projection of the known resource dimensions along strike. The quantity and grade of an exploration target is insufficient to define a Mineral Resource. Forward looking statements are not statements of historical fact, they are based on reasonable projections and calculations, the ultimate results or outcomes of which may differ materially from those described or incorporated in the forward-looking statements. Such differences or changes in circumstances to those described or incorporated in the forward-looking statements may arise as a consequence of the variety of risks, uncertainties and other factors relative to the exploration and mining industry and the particular properties in which the Company has an interest.

Such risks, uncertainties and other factors could include but would not necessarily be limited to fluctuations in metals and minerals prices, fluctuations in rates of exchange, changes in government policy and political instability in the countries in which the Company operates.

## **Competent Person's Statements**

The information in this report that relates to mineralogical/metallurgical test work results conducted on samples from the Nxuu Deposit fairly represents information and supporting documentation approved for release by Mr R Brougham (FAusIMM). Mr Brougham, non-executive Director of the Company, is a qualified person and has sufficient experience relevant to the process recovery under consideration and to the laboratory activity to which he has undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (the JORC Code)'. Mr Brougham consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters, based on the information in the form and context in which it appears.

# JORC Table 1

# **Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data**

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Sampling techniques	<ul> <li>Nature and quality of sampling (eg cut channels, random chips, or specific specialised industry standard measurement tools appropriate to the minerals under investigation, such as down hole gamma sondes, or handheld XRF instruments, etc). These examples should not be taken as limiting the broad meaning of sampling.</li> <li>Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used.</li> <li>Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report. In cases where 'industry standard' work has been done this would be relatively simple (eg 'reverse circulation drilling was used to obtain 1 m samples from which 3 kg was pulverised to produce a 30 g charge for fire assay'). In other cases more explanation may be required, such as where there is coarse gold that has inherent sampling problems. Unusual commodities or mineralisation types (eg submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>HQ and PQ diamond Core was marked and collected in sample trays, visually logged and cut in half. Samples were collected as nominal 1m intervals but based on visible geology with minimum samples of 0.3m and maximum samples of 1.3m. Half of each core was retained on site in core trays and the other half was double bagged and sent to Intertek Genalysis Randburg, South Africa where they were crushed. A portion of each intersection sample was then pulverised to p80 75um and sent to Intertek Genalysis in Perth for assaying via ICPMS/OES for Ag/Pb/Zn/V/Ge/Ga.</li> <li>Individual meters of RC drill chips were bagged from the cyclone. These were then riffle split for storage in smaller bags, with selected drill chips being stored in drill chip trays. A trowel was used to select drill chip samples from sample bags to be packaged and sent to Intertek Genalysis, Randburg, South Africa where they were crushed. A portion of each intersection's sample was then pulverised to P80 75um and sent to Intertek Genalysis in Perth for assaying via ICP/OES for Ag/Co/Cu/Pb/Zn.</li> <li>The remainder of the crushed samples were then sent from Intertek Genalysis Randburg to Intertek Genalysis in Perth where they were then collected by the Company for storage. Samples from various intersections from drill holes were selected by the Company for submission for metallurgical test work.</li> <li>Based on the distribution of mineralisation the core sample size is considered adequate for representative sampling.</li> </ul>
Drilling techniques	Drill type (eg core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc) and details (eg core diameter, triple or standard tube, depth of diamond tails, face-	<ul> <li>HQ and PQ diameter triple tube was generally used for diamond core drilling at Nxuu and Kihabe.</li> <li>RC chips were collected over 1m intervals, and two-stage riffle split to</li> </ul>

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	sampling bit or other type, whether core is oriented and if so, by what method, etc).	produce a sample for dispatch to the assay laboratory. The remainder of the sample was bagged and kept on site for access pending assay results; with washed chip samples for each metre also collected in chip trays for logging and later reference.
Drill sample recovery	<ul> <li>Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed.</li> <li>Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples.</li> <li>Whether a relationship exists between sample recovery and grade and whether sample bias may have occurred due to preferential loss/gain of fine/coarse material.</li> </ul>	Sample recoveries have in general been good and no unusual measures were taken to maximise sample recovery other than the use of triple tube for diamond core drilling. In the event of unacceptable core loss MTB drills twin holes. MTB believes there is no evidence of sample bias due to preferential loss/gain of fine/coarse material for holes being reported on.
Logging	<ul> <li>Whether core and chip samples have been geologically and geotechnically logged to a level of detail to support appropriate Mineral Resource estimation, mining studies and metallurgical studies.</li> <li>Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc) photography.</li> <li>The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections logged.</li> </ul>	Holes were logged in the field by qualified geologists on MTB's log sheet template and of sufficient detail to support Mineral Resource estimation: qualitative observations covered lithology, grain size, colour, alteration, mineralisation, structure. Quantitative logging included vein percent. SG measurements were obtained at approximately 5m intervals on DD holes.  All core is photographed wet and dry.
Sub- sampling techniques and sample preparation	<ul> <li>If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all core taken.</li> <li>If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled, rotary split, etc and whether sampled wet or dry.</li> <li>For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness of the sample preparation technique.</li> <li>Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise representivity of samples.</li> <li>Measures taken to ensure that the sampling is representative of the in-situ material collected, including for instance results for field duplicate/second-half sampling.</li> <li>Whether sample sizes are appropriate to the grain size of the material being sampled.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>All drill holes are logged in full.</li> <li>HQ and PQ Core was sawn in half on site. Half of each core was retained on site in core trays and the other half was double bagged and labelled noting hole number and interval both within the bag and on the bag. Sample bags were then placed in larger bags of ~40 individual samples and the larger bag also labelled describing the contents. Field duplicates were inserted at regular intervals.</li> <li>RC chips were collected over 1m intervals, and two-stage riffle split to produce a sample for dispatch to the assay laboratory. The remainder of the sample was bagged and kept on site for access pending assay results; with washed chip samples for each metre also collected in chip trays for logging and later reference.</li> <li>All samples currently being reported on were assayed for Ag/Pb/Zn/V/Ge/Ga/Cu/Co.</li> </ul>
Quality of assay data	The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and	Samples prior to 2008 were dispatched to the Ongopolo

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and laboratory tests	laboratory procedures used and whether the technique is considered partial or total.  • For geophysical tools, spectrometers, handheld XRF instruments, etc, the parameters used in determining the analysis including instrument make and model, reading times, calibrations factors applied and their derivation, etc.  • Nature of quality control procedures adopted (eg standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (ie lack of bias) and precision have been established.	Laboratory situated in Tsumeb, Namibia. Check samples were also sent to Genalysis in Perth.  Samples since 2008, when originally assayed, were sent to Intertek Genalysis Perth, for assaying according to the following standard techniques.  Diamond core samples were analysed for: (a) Ore grade digest followed by ICPMD – OES finish for Silver, Lead, Zinc, Copper, Cobalt, Vanadium, Germanium, Gallium; (b) Also 4 acid digest for silver, lead, zinc followed by AAS.  RC samples were analysed with Ore grade digest followed by ICP-OES for Ag/Co/Cu/Pb/Zn/Cu/Co.  MTB quality control procedures include following standard procedures when sampling, including sampling on geological intervals, and reviews of sampling techniques in the field.  The current laboratory procedures applied to the MTB sample preparation include the use of cleaning lab equipment with compressed air between samples, quartz flushes between high grade samples, insertion of crusher duplicate QAQC samples, periodic pulverised sample particle size (QAQC) testing and insertion of laboratory pulp duplicates QAQC samples (duplicates, blanks and standards) into the sample series at a rate of approx. 1 in  20. These are tracked and reported on by MTB for each batch. When issues are noted, the laboratory is informed and investigation conducted defining the nature of the discrepancy and whether further check assays are required. The laboratory completes its own QA/QC procedures, and these are also tracked and reported on by MTB. Acceptable overall levels of analytical precision and accuracy
		are evident from analyses of the routine QAQC data.
Verification of sampling	The verification of significant intersections by either independent or	A selection of the original digital assay files from MTB has been

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and assaying	<ul> <li>alternative company personnel.</li> <li>The use of twinned holes.</li> <li>Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols.</li> <li>Discuss any adjustment to assay data.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>checked and verified against the supplied database.</li> <li>Numerous twin, and close spaced holes have been drilled. Results show close spatial and grade correlation.</li> <li>All drilling logs were validated by the supervising geologist.</li> <li>Adjustments to assay data included converting assays recorded in ppm to percent for Zn, Pb, Cu and V; the conversion of V to V2O5 and the conversion of negative or below detection limit values to half detection limit.</li> </ul>
Location of data points	<ul> <li>Accuracy and quality of surveys used to locate drill holes (collar and down-hole surveys), trenches, mine workings and other locations used in Mineral Resource estimation.</li> <li>Specification of the grid system used.</li> <li>Quality and adequacy of topographic control.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>All drill hole collars were surveyed using DGPS equipment in WGS84 UTM Zone 34S coordinates.</li> <li>Drill holes were routinely down hole surveyed using Eastman single shot magnetic survey instruments, with the dip and azimuth monitored by the driller and site geologist to ensure the hole remained on track within the stipulated guidelines. Readings were obtained at approximately 25m intervals down hole.</li> <li>Topographic control was derived from collar surveys. The Nxuu area is overlain by Kalahari Sand cover and is predominantly flat.</li> </ul>
Data spacing and distribution	<ul> <li>Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results.</li> <li>Whether the data spacing and distribution is sufficient to establish the degree of geological and grade continuity appropriate for the Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve estimation procedure(s) and classifications applied.</li> <li>Whether sample compositing has been applied.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Data spacing (drill holes) is variable and appropriate to the geology. Sections are spaced at 30m intervals, with hole spacings predominantly 30m on section.</li> <li>The spacing is considered sufficient to establish geological and grade continuity appropriate for a Mineral Resource estimation.</li> <li>Samples were composited to 1m intervals prior to estimation.</li> </ul>
Orientation of data in relation to geological structure	<ul> <li>Whether the orientation of sampling achieves unbiased sampling of possible structures and the extent to which this is known, considering the deposit type.</li> <li>If the relationship between the drilling orientation and the orientation of key mineralised structures is considered to have introduced a sampling bias, this should be assessed and reported if material.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Mineralisation at the Nxuu Deposit is sub-horizontal, therefore holes were drilled vertically. Mineralisation at the Kihabe Deposit is sub vertical. Holes were drilled at minus 60°, at 150° or 330° Azimuth.</li> <li>The drill holes may not necessarily be perpendicular to the orientation of the intersected mineralisation.</li> <li>Reported intersections are downhole intervals and are generally representative of true widths.</li> </ul>
Sample security	The measures taken to ensure sample security.	Samples were taken by vehicle on the day of collection to MTB's permanent field camp and stored there until

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		transported by MTB personnel to Maun from where they were transported via regular courier service to laboratories in South Africa.
Audits or reviews	The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data.	<ul> <li>MTB's exploration geologists continually reviewed sampling and logging methods on site throughout the drilling programs.</li> </ul>

# Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Mineral tenement and land tenure status	<ul> <li>Type, reference name/number, location and ownership including agreements or material issues with third parties such as joint ventures, partnerships, overriding royalties, native title interests, historical sites, wilderness or national park and environmental settings.</li> <li>The security of the tenure held at the time of reporting along with any known impediments to obtaining a license to operate in the area.</li> </ul>	The Kihabe-Nxuu Project is located in north-western Botswana, adjacent to the border with Namibia. The Project is made up of one granted prospecting licence PL 43/2016, which covers an area of 1000 sq km. This licence is 100% owned and operated by MTB. The title is current to 31 December 2024  PL 43/2016 is in an area designated as Tribal Land. The Tenement is current and in good standing.
Exploration done by other parties	Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.	The Geological Survey of Botswana undertook a program of soil geochemical sampling in 1982. As a result of this program, Billiton was invited to undertake exploration and drilling activities in and around the project area. MTB first took ownership of the project in 2003 and has undertaken exploration activities on a continual basis since then.
Geology	Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation.	<ul> <li>The Kihabe-Nxuu Project lies in the north-western part of Botswana at the southern margin of the Congo craton. The Gossan Anomaly is centred on an exposed gossan within the project. To the north of the project are granitoids, ironstones, quartzites and mica schists of the Tsodilo Hills Group covered by extensive recent Cainozoic sediments of the Kalahari Group. Below the extensive Kalahari sediments are siliciclastic sediments and igneous rocks of the Karoo Supergroup in fault bounded blocks.</li> <li>The Nxuu deposit mineralisation occurs in a flat-lying quartz wacke unit situated on the contact of a barren dolomite basement unit. The deposit is weathered, with base</li> </ul>

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		metal and associated V/Ge/Ga mineralisation occurring as a series of sub-horizontal units overlying the barren dolomite unit.  • The Kihabe Deposit mineralisation occurs in a quartz wacke situated on the contact of a steeply dipping barren dolostone unit. The deposit is variably weathered with base metal and associated V/Ge/Ga mineralisation occurring as a series of steeply dipping to sub vertical units in the hanging wall of the barren dolostone.
Drill hole information	<ul> <li>A summary of all information material to the under-standing of the exploration results including a tabulation of the following information for all Material drill holes:         <ul> <li>easting and northing of the drill hole collar</li> <li>elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation above sea level in metres) of the drill hole collar</li> <li>dip and azimuth of the hole</li> <li>down hole length and interception depth</li> <li>hole length</li> </ul> </li> <li>If the exclusion of this information is justified on the basis that the information is not Material and this exclusion does not detract from the understanding of the report, the Competent Person should clearly explain why this is the case.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Exploration results are not being reported.</li> <li>All information has been included in the appendices. No drill hole information has been excluded.</li> </ul>
Data aggregation methods	<ul> <li>In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or minimum grade truncations (e.g. cutting of high grades) and cut-off grades are usually Material and should be stated.</li> <li>Where aggregate intercepts incorporate short lengths of high-grade results and longer lengths of low grade results, the procedure used for such aggregation should be stated and some typical examples of such aggregations should be shown in detail.</li> <li>The assumptions used for any reporting of metal equivalent values should be clearly stated.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Exploration results are not being reported.</li> <li>Not applicable as a Mineral Resource is being reported.</li> <li>For the Nxuu Deposit ZnEq=Zinc equivalent grade, which is estimated based on Kitco prices as of 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022 and calculated with the formula:</li> <li>ZnEq = [(Zn% x 3,000) + (Pb% x 2,000) + (Ag g/t x (20.0/31.1035)) + (V2O5% x 16,000)] / (3,000).</li> <li>For the Kihabe Deposit ZnEq = zinc equivalent grade, which is estimated on LME closing prices on 30 June 2022 and calculated with the formula: ZnEq = {(Zn% x 3,410) + (Pb% x 1,955) +Ag g/t x (20.7/31.1035)} + V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>% x20,720)}/(3,410)</li> <li>MTB is of the opinion that all elements</li> </ul>

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Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths	<ul> <li>These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results.</li> <li>If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported.</li> <li>If it is not known and only the down hole lengths are reported, there should be a clear statement to this effect (e.g. 'down hole length, true width not</li> </ul>	included in the metal equivalent calculation have reasonable potential to be recovered and sold.  Mineralisation at Nxuu is subhorizontal. Holes are drilled vertically.  Reported hole intersections generally represent true width.  Mineralisation at Kihabe is steeply dipping to sub vertical. Holes are drilled at approximately -60 deg towards azimuths 150 deg and 330 deg.
Diagrams	known').  • Appropriate maps and sections (with scales) and tabulations of intercepts should be included for any significant discovery being reported. These should include, but not be limited to a plan view of drill hole collar locations and appropriate sectional views.	Figure 1 is a drill hole map for Nxuu Deposit. Figure 2 shows details of drill holes from which composite samples for mineralogical and metallurgical work were selected.
Balanced Reporting	<ul> <li>Accuracy and quality of surveys used to locate drill holes (collar and downhole surveys), trenches, mine workings and other locations used in Mineral Resource estimation.</li> <li>Where comprehensive reporting of all Exploration Results is not practicable, representative reporting of both low and high grades and/or widths should be practiced to avoid misleading reporting of Exploration Results.</li> </ul>	
Other substantive exploration data	Other exploration data, if meaningful and material, should be reported including (but not limited to): geological observations; geophysical survey results; geochemical survey results; bulk samples - size and method of treatment; metallurgical test results; bulk density, groundwater, geotechnical and rock characteristics; potential deleterious or contaminating substances.	Test work to improve the leaching kinetics via a hydrometallurgical route in which the process parameters involving pressure, temperature and pH were varied in order to determine their individual influences on the extraction of the economic elements was carried out as follows:  Alkaline Leach Test 1 with high alkaline pH > 11.0 and temperature of 145°C and 5.4kPa was followed by Acid Leach Test 1 — a pressure leach test at pH.16, 145°C and 7.4kPa. For the pressure Acid Leach Test 2 the parameters were increased using pH1.48, 220°C and 32kPa. A calcination (Bake) and Water Leach Test was then carried out at 750°C for two hours.
Further work	The nature and scale of planned further work (e.g. tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or	<ul> <li>Follow up drilling will be undertaken to improve confidence.</li> <li>Drill spacing is currently considered</li> </ul>

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	large- scale step-out drilling).  • Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive.	adequate for the current level of interrogation of the Project.

# **Section 3 Estimation and Reporting of Mineral Resources**

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Database integrity	<ul> <li>Measures taken to ensure that data has not been corrupted by, for example, transcription or keying errors, between its initial collection and its use for Mineral Resource estimation purposes.</li> <li>Data validation procedures used.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The database has been systematically audited by MTB geologists.</li> <li>The database used for estimation was cross checked with original records where available.</li> <li>Ashmore performed initial data audits in Surpac. Ashmore checked collar coordinates, hole depths, hole dips, assay data overlaps and duplicate records.</li> </ul>
Site visits	<ul> <li>Comment on any site visits undertaken by the Competent Person and the outcome of those visits.</li> <li>If no site visits have been undertaken indicate why this is the case.</li> </ul>	Ashmore has not undertaken a site visit to the Relevant Assets by the CP as at the date of this report. Ashmore notes that it plans to conduct a site visit as part of the future works and upgrade of the Mineral Resource to higher categories.
Geological interpretation	<ul> <li>Confidence in (or conversely, the uncertainty of) the geological interpretation of the mineral deposit.</li> <li>Nature of the data used and of any assumptions made.</li> <li>The effect, if any, of alternative interpretations on Mineral Resource estimation.</li> <li>The use of geology in guiding and controlling Mineral Resource estimation.</li> <li>The factors affecting continuity both of grade and geology.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The confidence in the geological interpretation is considered to be good and is based on visual confirmation within drill hole intersections.</li> <li>Geochemistry and geological logging have been used to assist identification of lithology and mineralisation.</li> <li>The Nxuu deposit consists of subhorizontal units. Alternative interpretations are highly unlikely.</li> <li>The Kihabe Deposit consists of steeply dipping to sub vertical units. Alternative interpretations are highly unlikely.</li> <li>Infill and extensional drilling has supported and refined the model and the current interpretation is considered robust.</li> <li>Observations from the host rocks; as well as infill drilling, confirm the geometry of the mineralisation.</li> </ul>

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Dimensions •	The extent and variability of the	Infill drilling has confirmed geological and grade continuity.      The New Mineral Possures area.
Dimensions •	The extent and variability of the Mineral Resource expressed as length (along strike or otherwise), plan width, and depth below surface to the upper and lower limits of the Mineral Resource.	<ul> <li>The Nxuu Mineral Resource area extends over an northeast strike length of 730m, has a maximum width in plan view of 265m and includes the 80m vertical interval from 1,155mRL to 1,075mRL.</li> <li>The Kihabe mineral resource area extends over an east-southeast strike length of 2,440m. It has a maximum width in plan view of 80m and includes the 220m vertical interval from 1,190m RL to 970mRL. Overall the mineral resource extends from 500,500mE to 502,600mE</li> </ul>
Estimation •	The nature and appropriateness of	
	the estimation technique(s) applied and key assumptions, including treatment of extreme grade values, domaining, interpolation parameters and maximum distance of extrapolation from data points. If a computer assisted estimation method was chosen include a description of computer software and parameters used.  The availability of check estimates, previous estimates and/or mine production records and whether the Mineral Resource estimate takes appropriate account of such data.  The assumptions made regarding recovery of by-products.  Estimation of deleterious elements or other non-grade variables of economic significance (eg sulphur for acid mine drainage characterisation). In the case of block model interpolation, the block size in relation to the average sample spacing and the search employed.  Any assumptions behind modelling of selective mining units.  Any assumptions about correlation between variables.  Description of how the geological interpretation was used to control the resource estimates.  Discussion of basis for using or not using grade cutting or capping.  The process of validation, the	modelled variograms, Ordinary Kriging (OK) was used to estimate average block grades in three passes using Surpac software. Linear grade estimation was deemed suitable for the Nxuu and Kihabe Mineral Resources due to the geological control on mineralisation. Maximum extrapolation of wireframes from drilling was 30m along strike and down-dip for Nxuu and 100m along strike and down dip for Kihabe. This was equal to the drill hole spacing in these regions of the Project. Maximum extrapolation was generally half to one drill hole spacing.  2n (%), Pb (%), Ag (ppm), Cu (%), V2O5 (%), Ga (ppm) and Ge (ppm) were all interpolated.  Reconciliation could not be conducted as no mining has occurred.  It is assumed that Zn, Pb and Ag can be recovered in a Zn concentrate and V2O5 can be recovered in a V2O5 concentrate. In addition, Ga and Ge may be recovered as by-products.  It is assumed that there are no deleterious elements when considering the proposed processing methodology for the Nxuu and Kihabe mineralisation.  At Nxuu he parent block dimensions used were 15m EW by 15m NS by 5m

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	data, and use of reconciliation data if		rotated to align with the strike of the
	available.		deposit of 045°. At Kihabe the parent
			block dimensions used 12.5m EW
			by 5m NS, by 5m vertical with sub
			cells of 3.125 x 1.25m x 1.25m was
			selected on the results obtained
			from Kriging Neighbourhood
			Analysis that suggested this was the
			optimal block size for the dataset.
		•	An orientated 'ellipsoid' search was
			used to select data and adjusted to
			account for the variations in lode
			orientations, however all other
			parameters were taken from the
			variography. Up to three passes
			were used for each domain. The first
			pass had a range of 50m for Nxuu
			and 80m for Kihabe, with a minimum
			of 8 samples for Nxuu and 10
			samples for Kihabe. For the second
			pass, the range was extended to 100m for Nxuu and 150m for Kihabe
			with a minimum of 4 samples for Nxuu and 6 samples for Kihabe. For
			the final pass, the range was
			extended to 150m for Nxuu and
			250m for Kihabe with a minimum of
			2 samples. A maximum of 20
			samples was used for all three
			passes for Nxuu with a maximum of
			24 samples being used for all three
			passes at Kihabe.
		•	No assumptions were made on
			selective mining units.
		•	Zn and Pb, as well as Pb and Ag had
			moderate positive correlations. Zn
			and Ag had a moderate positive
			correlation.
		•	The mineralisation was constrained
			by Mineral Resource outlines
			created in Surpac software, based
			on logged geology and
			mineralisation envelopes prepared
			using a nominal 0.5% combined Zn
			and Pb cut-off grade with a
			minimum down-hole length of 2m
			for Nxuu and 3m for Kihabe. The
			wireframes were applied as hard
			boundaries in the estimate.
		•	After review of the project statistics,
			it was determined that high grade
			cuts were required for Ag and V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>
			within some domains of Nxuu
			together with copper domains for
			Kihabe.
		•	Validation of the model included

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Moisture	Whether the tonnages are estimated on a dry basis or with natural moisture, and the method of determination of the moisture	detailed comparison of composite grades and block grades by strike panel and elevation. Validation plots showed good correlation between the composite grades and the block model grades.  Tonnages and grades were estimated on a dry in situ basis.
Cut-off parameters	<ul> <li>The basis of the adopted cut-off grade(s) or quality parameters applied.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>ZnEq cut-off grades of 0.5%, 1.0% and 1.5% for Nxuu and Kihabe were utilised for reporting purposes, assuming an open pit mining method. The Statement of Mineral Resources has been constrained by the mineralisation solids and reported above Zn equivalent ("ZnEq") cut-off grades of 0.5%, 1.0% and 1.5%. For Nxuu Zinc equivalent cut-off grades are estimated based on LME Zn/Pb prices, Kitco Silver Price for Ag, Live Vanadium Price for V2O5, Kitco Strategic Metals Prices for Ge/Ga, as at 21 October 2022. The ZnEq formula is shown below:</li> <li>ZnEq = 100 x [(Zn% x 3,000) + (Pb% x 2,000) + (Ag g/t x (20.0/31.1035)) + (V2O5% x 16,000)] / (3,000).</li> <li>For the Kihabe Deposit ZnEq = zinc equivalent grade, which is estimated on LME closing prices on 30 June 2022 and calculated with the formula: ZnEq = {(Zn% x 3,410) + (Pb% x 1,955) +Ag g/t x (20.7/31.1035)} + V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>%</li> </ul>
Mining factors or assumptions	Assumptions made regarding possible mining methods, minimum mining dimensions and internal (or, if applicable, external) mining dilution. It is always necessary as part of the process of determining reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction to consider potential mining methods, but the assumptions made regarding mining methods and parameters when estimating Mineral Resources may not always be rigorous. Where this is the case, this should be reported with an explanation of the basis of the mining assumptions made.	<ul> <li>x20,720)}/(3,410)</li> <li>Ashmore has assumed that the Nxuu deposit could potentially be mined using open pit techniques. No assumptions have been made for mining dilution or mining widths. It is assumed that mining dilution and ore loss will be incorporated into any Ore Reserve estimated from a future Mineral Resource with higher levels of confidence.</li> </ul>

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# Metallurgical factors or assumptions

basis for assumptions or predictions regarding metallurgical amenability. It is always necessary as part of the process of determining reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction to consider potential metallurgical methods, but assumptions regarding metallurgical treatment processes and parameters made when reporting Mineral Resources may not always be rigorous. Where this is the case, this should be reported with an explanation of the basis of the metallurgical assumptions made.

- Both the Nxuu and Kihabe mineralisation was initially determined to be a zinc and lead sulphide deposit. Metallurgical test work involved the recovery of the zinc/lead by flotation. Initial results gave low zinc recoveries (67.5%), with low sulphur in the tails.
- Mineralogical evaluation of the tailings determined that the zinc was in an oxide form of smithsonite at Nxuu and baileychlore at the Kihabe Oxide zone and the lead as a carbonate (cerussite) at Nxuu and in Galena at Kihabe. Further flotation tests were conducted, and the tailings subjected to leaching with sulphuric acid at 40 deg C for a zinc extraction rate of 89.5%.
- Recovery of zinc concentrate by floatation and leaching of the zinc oxides (baileychlore) in the tailings resulted in a zinc extraction of 89.5% giving an overall access availability to 94% of zinc within the ore.
- Hydrometallurgical test work now being reported on from the Nxuu Deposit showed recovery of elements into solution as follows:

Zn >96% Pb 79.4% V 91.1% Ga 59.3% Ge 77.3%

 This current test work was to improve the leaching kinetics via a hydrometallurgical route in which the process parameters involving pressure, temperature and pH were varied in order to determine their individual influences on the extraction of the economic elements.

Alkaline Leach Test 1 with high alkaline pH > 11.0 and temperature of  $145^{\circ}$ C and 5.4kPa was followed by Acid Leach Test 1 – a pressure leach test at pH.16,  $145^{\circ}$ C and 7.4kPa. For the pressure Acid Leach Test 2 the parameters were increased using pH1.48,  $220^{\circ}$ C and 32kPa. A calcination (Bake) and Water Leach Test was then carried out at  $750^{\circ}$ C for two hours.

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Environmental factors or assumptions	Assumptions made regarding possible waste and process residue disposal options. It is always necessary as part of the process of determining reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction to consider the potential environmental impacts of the mining and processing operation. While at this stage the determination of potential environmental impacts, particularly for a greenfields project, may not always be well advanced, the status of early consideration of these potential environmental impacts should be reported. Where these aspects have not been considered this should be reported with an explanation of the environmental	No assumptions have been made regarding environmental factors. MTB will work to mitigate environmental impacts as a result of any future mining or mineral processing.
Bulk density	<ul> <li>Whether assumed or determined. If assumed, the basis for the assumptions. If determined, the method used, whether wet or dry, the frequency of the measurements, the nature, size and representativeness of the samples.</li> <li>The bulk density for bulk material must have been measured by methods that adequately account for void spaces (vugs, porosity, etc), moisture and differences between rock and alteration zones within the deposit.</li> <li>Discuss assumptions for bulk density estimates used in the evaluation process of the different materials.</li> </ul>	A total of 513 bulk density measurements were taken on core samples collected from diamond holes drilled at the Nxuu deposit using the water immersion technique. A total of 4258 Bulk density measurements were taken on core samples from the Kihabe Deposit. Bulk densities for the transitional mineralisation at both Nxuu and Kihabe were assigned in the block model based on a density and Zn regression equation. Average densities for weathered mineralisation were applied (2.40t/m³ for oxide) at Nxuu and 2.46t/m³ for oxide and 2.58t/m³ for transitional at Kihabe. Average waste densities were assigned based on lithology and weathering.  It is assumed that the bulk density will have some variation within the mineralised material types due to the host rock lithology and sulphide minerals present. Therefore, a regression equation for Zn and density was used to calculate density in the Nxuu transitional material.
Classification	The basis for the classification of the Mineral Resources into varying	The Mineral Resource estimates are reported here in compliance with
	<ul> <li>mineral Resources into varying confidence categories.</li> <li>Whether appropriate account has been taken of all relevant factors (ie</li> </ul>	the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore

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	relative confidence in tonnage/grade	Reserves' by the Joint Ore Reserves
	estimations, reliability of input data,	Committee (JORC). The Mineral
	confidence in continuity of geology	Resources were classified as
	and metal values, quality, quantity	Indicated and Inferred Mineral
	and distribution of the data).	Resource based on data quality,
	• Whether the result appropriately	sample spacing, and lode
	reflects the Competent Person's view	continuity. The Indicated Mineral
	of the deposit.	Resources were defined within
		areas of close spaced drilling of less
		than 30m by 30m for the Nxuu
		Deposit and 50m x 50m for Kihabe
		and where the continuity and
		predictability of the mineralised
		units was reasonable. The Inferred
		Mineral Resources were assigned to
		areas where drill hole spacing was greater than 30m by 30m for Nxuu
		and greater than 50m x 30m for
		Kihabe and less than 60m by 60m for
		Nxuu and 200m x 40m for Kihabe or
		where small, isolated pods of
		mineralisation occur outside the
		main mineralised zones.
		The input data is comprehensive in
		its coverage of the mineralisation
		and does not favour or misrepresent
		in-situ mineralisation. The
		definition of mineralised zones is
		based on high level geological
		understanding producing a robust
		model of mineralised domains. This
		model has been confirmed by infill
		drilling which supported the
		interpretation. Validation of the
		block model shows good correlation
		of the input data to the estimated grades.
		The Mineral Resource estimates
		appropriately reflect the view of the
		Competent Person.
Audits or	The results of any audits or reviews of	Internal audits have been
reviews	Mineral Resource estimates.	completed by Ashmore which
-		verified the technical inputs,
		methodology, parameters and
		results of the estimate.
Discussion of	Where appropriate a statement of the	The geometry and continuity have
relative	relative accuracy and confidence	been adequately interpreted to
accuracy/	level in the Mineral Resource	reflect the applied level of Indicated
confidence	estimate using an approach or	and Inferred Mineral Resource. The
	procedure deemed appropriate by	data quality is good and the drill
	the Competent Person. For example,	holes have detailed logs produced
	the application of statistical or	by qualified geologists. A
	geostatistical procedures to quantify	recognised laboratory has been
	the relative accuracy of the resource	used for all analyses.
	within stated confidence limits, or, if	The Mineral Resource statement relates to global estimates of toppes
	such an approach is not deemed	relates to global estimates of tonnes

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	<ul> <li>appropriate, a qualitative discussion of the factors that could affect the relative accuracy and confidence of the estimate.</li> <li>The statement should specify whether it relates to global or local estimates, and, if local, state the relevant tonnages, which should be relevant to technical and economic evaluation. Documentation should include assumptions made and the procedures used.</li> <li>These statements of relative accuracy and confidence of the estimate should be compared with production data, where available.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>and grade.</li> <li>No historical mining has occurred; therefore, reconciliation could not be conducted.</li> </ul>