# BLACK CAT SYNDICATE

# Kal East - Majestic Underground Portal Blast

Black Cat Syndicate Limited ("Black Cat" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that mining has commenced at the Majestic underground mine. Majestic is part of the 100% owned Kal East Gold Operation ("Kal East") and is located ~45km SE of Kalgoorlie and within 40km of Black Cat's 1.2Mtpa Lakewood processing facility ("Lakewood").

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

- The initial blast at the Majestic main portal has been successfully completed, marking a major milestone in the
  ongoing ramp-up of operations at Kal East.
- First Ore from Majestic is on track to be delivered to Lakewood in the December 2025 quarter.
- The initial mining fleet has been mobilised with portal ground support installed (ASX 25 August 2025).
- Initial production target from Majestic is 776kt at 3.2g/t for 80koz Au (based on Reserves run at \$2,300oz, currently being reoptimised) (ASX 9 May 2024).
- Majestic remains open along strike and down dip offering strong potential for Resource extensions.



Figure 1: Majestic main decline portal, prior to firing.

Black Cat's Managing Director, Gareth Solly, said: "Witnessing the first blast at the Majestic main portal was a proud moment, marking the start of Black Cat's second high-grade underground gold mine. This milestone was achieved on schedule and also coincides with the planned commencement of mining at the nearby Fingals open pit, which also remains on track. Together, Majestic and Fingals are expected to provide long-term feed for the Lakewood processing plant, supporting our 'More Gold, Sooner' strategy."

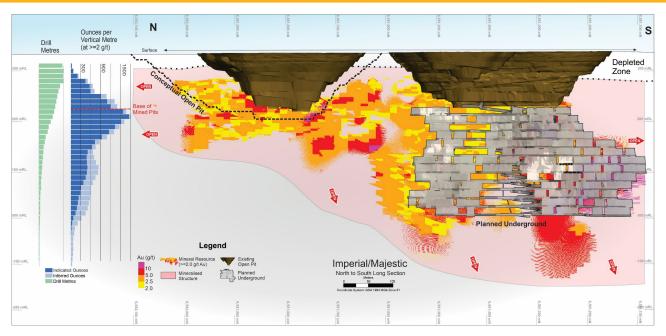


Figure 2: Longsection of the Imperial-Majestic deposit showing the planned underground at Majestic and conceptual open pit at Imperial. The underground and open pit are subject to being reoptimised with the recent gold price increase.

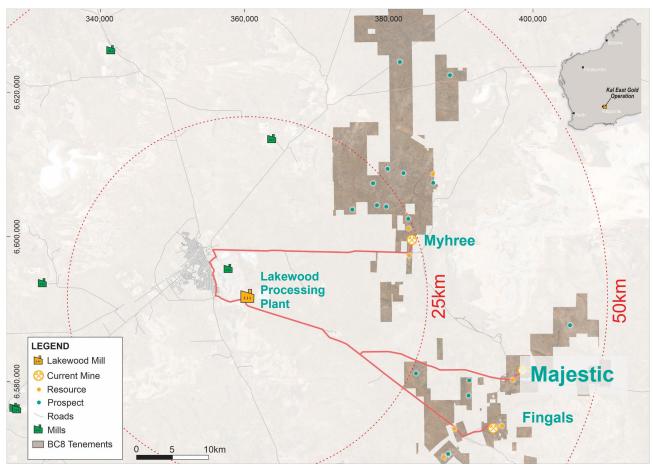


Figure 3: Majestic is located ~40km southeast of the 1.2Mtpa Lakewood processing facility.

#### **PLANNED ACTIVITIES**

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

Ongoing Paulsens underground drilling

Ongoing Paulsens regional exploration

Ongoing Paulsens West seismic target drilling (EIS Co-funded)

Sep 2025 Commencement of mining Fingals open pit (Kal East)

Sep 2025 Beaver Creek (9-12 Sep) and Denver Gold (14-17 Sep) conferences

Sep - Oct 2025 Mt Clement Eastern Zone antimony drilling

Sept - Oct 2025 Ashburton MT survey (Geophysics Programme Co-funded)

Oct - Mar 2026 Mt Clement metallurgical testwork

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

#### **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 ongoing¹. Black Cat 100% owns and operates the 1.2Mtpa Lakewood gold processing facility, located ~6km east of Kalgoorlie.

**Paulsens:** comprising ~3,650km² 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 is ongoing. Paulsens has a regional Resource of 4.3Mt @ 4.0g/t Au for 548koz and significant exploration and growth potential.

The Company also 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 of prospective ground in Western Australia within ~20km 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 Paulsens 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 advancing the project.

#### Coyote Gold Operation Landholding ~1,050sqkm Strategic Landholding Gold Resources: 3.7Mt @ 5.5g/t for 645koz ~5,350 km<sup>2</sup> 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 **Gold Resources** 2.5Moz @ 2.9 g/t Au Paulsens Gold Operation Landholding ~3,650sqkm Gold Resources: 4.3Mt @ 4.0g/t for 548koz Critical/Base Metals: 14kt Sb, 19kt Pb, 1.6kt Cu, 1.5Moz Ag **Milling Capacity** Mill: 450ktpa - regionally strategic location: +128-person camp Historical Production: ~75kozpa (1,003koz @ 6.9 g/t mined) 1.65Mtpa Operational with underground mining ramping up (operating) Kal East Gold Operation Landholding ~650sqkm Potential Pathway to Gold Resources: 18.8Mt @ 2.1g/t for 1,294koz 200kozpa 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

#### **COMPETENT PERSON'S STATEMENT**

through Lakewood in 2025

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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> BC8 ASX announcement 20/05/24

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

			Measured Resource			Indicated Resource			Inferred Resource			Total Resource		
Mining Centre		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 Operat	ion													
	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 Op	peration_													
	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	Operation		•							•		•		
	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.
- 3. 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 with the original ASX announcements for each Resource.
- Resources are reported inclusive of any Reserves
- 6. 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 Operation

- 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 Gold Operation

- 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 Confirmed"

#### 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	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-
	Total	532	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-
Eastern	Inferred	794	-	-	1.7	17.0	2.4	*	-	13.2	434	18.7
	Total	794	-	-	1.7	17.0	2.4	*	-	13.2	434	18.7
Total		1,741	-	-	-	-	-	*	1.6	13.9	1,460	18.7

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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)

	Р	roven Reser	ve	Pr	obable Rese	rve	Total Reserve			
	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 Operation										
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>1</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. 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.
- 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 Operation

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"