

EXCEPTIONAL LITHIUM ASSAY RESULTS RECEIVED FOR MILLIE'S REWARD

Highlights

- Bass Metals Ltd has completed a successful technical due diligence of Millie's Reward, a potentially high grade, pegmatite hosted, lithium project located in Madagascar.
- Fieldwork has confirmed outcropping pegmatites with significant spodumene mineralization, with grades up to 7.08% Li₂O and additional samples returning 6.93% AND 6.91% Li₂O, correlating with historic data for both grade and location.



Figure 1: The Millie's Reward project significant sample results.



Bass Metals Limited (ASX: "BSM") (the "Company") is pleased to announce it has completed its technical due diligence as part of the conditions precedent to acquire the potentially high-grade spodumene hosted lithium project: Millie's Reward, located in Madagascar.

The project is part of a license with existing mining approval and complements Bass' presence in Madagascar and its aim to become a leading producer and supplier of industrial minerals concentrates, with an initial focus on delivering baseline profitable production at the Company's Graphmada large flake graphite mine.

Assay Results

The fieldwork identified significant spodumene mineralization across an 8 km strike length. Up to 55 different locations for pegmatite occurrences were recorded, with 14 rock chip samples selected to confirm vendor sample results. SGS laboratories in South Africa conducted a multi-element analysis of the rock chip samples for which very high Li₂O grades, as well as background mineralization were recorded. The results received from SGS are presented in Table 1 below.

Sample ID	Utm39sX	Utm39sY	Lithology	%Li ₂ O
K1763	704,424	7,781,006	Pegmatite	0.07
K1758	704,403	7,780,993	Pegmatite	6.91
K1759	703,028	7,780,834	Pegmatite	0.03
K1769	703,028	7,780,834	Pegmatite	7.08
K1760	704,030	7,777,948	Pegmatite	0.31
K1761	704,190	7,776,106	Pegmatite	0.07
K1770	704,100	7,782,004	Pegmatite	1.36
K1762	703,830	7,781,546	Pegmatite	1.79
K1764	704,818	7,777,074	Pegmatite	0.03
K1765	704,804	7,777,055	Pegmatite	0.05
K1766	704,172	7,776,093	Pegmatite	0.06
K1767	704,122	7,775,963	Pegmatite	6.93
K1771	704,063	7,775,929	Pegmatite	0.07
K1768	704,030	7,776,037	Pegmatite	0.06

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About Millie's Reward

Millie's Reward is a highly prospective conventional spodumene hosted Li_2O deposit located in Madagascar. A majority of the pegmatitic dykes and sills within the mining permits are over 10 meters in thickness, with swells in areas of up to 50m in thickness, while being up to several hundred metres in length.

Adjacent to the project area is the Holcim Talc Mine, which has a sealed road for product transport and grid power installed. In addition to the potential access of this infrastructure, Millie's Reward has extensive water supplies, accommodation and an available local workforce.

Most of the large dykes have been subject to very little modern geological assessment, as all the mining activity performed in the past occurred at an artisanal scale, operated by the local miners working for gemstones.



Figure 2: Samples of high purity Spodumene crystals (Kunzite) found in the project area.

On completion of due diligence and finalisation of the transaction, the Company will immediately conduct a systematic exploration program over the project area, including a mapping and sampling program aimed at identifying targets for a maiden drilling program.



Figure 3: Part of Millie's Reward project area, showing outcrops of potential spodumene bearing pegmatites.



Figure 4: A lithium bearing pegmatitic vein within the project area.



Transaction

Bass has entered into a binding Term Sheet with Ruby-Red Madagascar SARL (a Company incorporated in Madagascar), subject to successful due diligence over a 3month exclusivity period, to acquire two contiguous mining permits and the lithium mining rights for a third mining permit in Madagascar, that are prospective for pegmatite-hosted lithium mineralisation. The total consideration to the Vendor is:

- a) \$US100,000 in cash and \$US50,000 in shares on the acquisition of the mining permits and completion of the transaction;
- \$US100,000 in cash and \$US50,000 worth of shares upon establishing a JORC compliant resource of >5 million tonnes at >1.5% Li₂O;
- c) \$US100,000 in cash and \$US50,000 worth of shares upon the tabling of a feasibility study for Millie's Reward;
- \$US100,000 in cash and \$US50,000 worth of shares upon first sales of either Direct Shipping Ore (DSO) or Chemical Grade (>6% Li₂O) lithium concentrates; and
- e) Bass will pay to the Vendor a 0.25% concentrate sales royalty on any future lithium concentrate or DSO sales from Millie's Reward for a period of 12 years from first concentrate or DSO sales, up to US\$US2m.

The proposed transaction for Millie's Reward is consistent with Bass' stated strategy to leverage its in-country producer status in Madagascar to appraise further opportunities in this highly prospective jurisdiction.

Base Metals CEO, Mr Tim McManus:

"The team at Bass Metals are excited by these results at Millie's Reward and look forward to the completion of commercial due diligence and finalising the transaction. However, the Company's primary focus remains optimizing production of high value concentrates from Graphmada in 2017."

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Competent Person Statement

The information in this document that relates to Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Tim McManus, a Competent Person who is a member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and a full-time employee of the Company.

Tim McManus has sufficient experience that 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.

Tim McManus consents to the inclusion of the information in this document in the form and context in which it appears.



JORC Code, 2012 Edition – Table 1

Discussion and results within this appendix relate to the Bass Metals Ltd – Millie's Reward Project, Madagascar Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Sampling techniques	 Nature and quality of sampling (e.g. cut channels, random chips, or specific specialised industry standard measurement tools appropriate to the minerals under investigation, such as down hole gamma sounds, or handheld XRF instruments, etc.). These examples should not be taken as limiting the broad meaning of sampling Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used. 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 (e.g. '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 (e.g. submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information. 	 Bass Metals collected surface rock chip samples from outcropping pegmatites within the project area. A total of 14 samples were collected whilst undertaking reconnaissance fieldwork. These rock chip samples are preliminary in nature (due to the limited reconnaissance fieldwork undertaken) and hence are not deemed representative of the pegmatites throughout the tenure.
Drilling techniques	 Drill type (e.g. core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc.) and details (e.g. core diameter, triple or standard tube, depth of diamond tails, face-sampling bit or other type, whether core is oriented and if so, by what method, etc.). 	 Not Applicable as no drilling results are discussed.
Drill sample recovery	 Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed. Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples. 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. 	• Not Applicable as no drilling results are discussed.
Logging	 Whether core and chip samples have been geologically and geotechnically logged to a level of detail to support appropriate Mineral Resource estimation, mining 	Not Applicable as no drilling results are discussed.



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	studies and metallurgical studies.	
	• Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc.) photography.	
	The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections logged.	
	• If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all core taken.	• Not Applicable as no drilling results are discussed.
Sub-sampling techniques and sample preparation	• If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled, rotary split, etc. and whether sampled wet or dry.	
	• For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness of the sample preparation technique.	
	• Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise representivity of samples.	
	 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. 	
	 Whether sample sizes are appropriate to the grain size of the material being sampled. 	
Quality of assay	• The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and laboratory procedures used and whether the technique is considered partial or total.	 Random rock chip samples were collected from outcropping, in- situ pegmatite dyke host rocks. The analyses of spodumene from the project area were performed in the laboratories of the SGS
	• For geophysical tools, spectrometers, handheld XRF instruments, etc., the	South Africa, where an aliquot of sample is fused Sodium Peroxide
data and	parameters used in determining the analysis including instrument make and model reading times, calibrations factors applied and their derivation, etc.	Fusion in an alumina crucible then measured by an ICP-AES or ICP- MS.
laboratory tests		 No external standards or blanks were added to the sample
	 Nature of quality control procedures adopted (e.g. standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (i.e. lack of bias) and precision have been established. 	submission by Bass Metals, however the laboratory routinely run standards with each batch.
Verification of	• The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative	• An independent geologist was engaged to map, sample and



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sampling and assaying	company personnel.The use of twinned holes.	 verified results. Li₂O has been calculated from Li ppm using a calculation of Li% * 2.152529 = Li2O% to determine the proportion of lithium oxide.
	 Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols. 	
	Discuss any adjustment to assay data.	
Location of data points	 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. 	• Hand-held Garmin GPS's were used to locate surface locations, and final location coordinates were completed taking average readings up to 5 minutes and with estimated positional errors between 1 and 3 meters.
	• Specification of the grid system used.	• The WGS84 UTM Zone 39S projection system is used at the Project.
	Quality and adequacy of topographic control.	
Data spacing and distribution	 Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results. 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. 	 Outcropping samples were collected along in-situ pegmatite dykes. The purpose of the sample locations was to confirm the presence of the potential minerals within the project area. The data collected is insufficient to determine a Mineral Resource and are considered preliminary exploration results only. Sample compositing has not been applied.
	Whether sample compositing has been applied.	
Orientation of data in relation to geological structure	• Whether the orientation of sampling achieves unbiased sampling of possible structures and the extent to which this is known, considering the deposit type.	• Not Applicable.
	 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. 	
Sample security	The measures taken to ensure sample security.	• Samples bags were sealed as soon as sampling was completed, and stored securely until dispatch to the laboratory in South Africa via courier.
Audits or reviews	 The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data. 	Not Applicable



Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results

(Criteria listed in the preceding section also apply to this section.)

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Mineral tenement and land tenure status	 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. 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. 	 The permits are Exploitation Permits suitable for mining. They are subject to confidentiality demanded by the Vendor until completion of the Transaction. The Vendor assures permits are in good standing, and all statuary approvals are in place to conduct exploration and exploitation activities throughout this permit area, including mining. Bass Metals will make this a priority in the due diligence to be completed in the 3-month exclusivity period. 	
Exploration done by other parties	• Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.	 The Vendor collected from outcropping, in-situ pegmatites 8 samples in 2012. The Vendor made a series of analyses of spodumene from the project area, with analyses, performed in the laboratories of the C.N.R. of Pisa, Italy, where an aliquot of sample is fused Sodium Peroxide Fusion in an alumina crucible then measured by an ICP-AES or ICP-MS No other exploration has been conducted, other than artisanal mining by locals. 	
Geology	• Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation.	 Li-ore in the project area and in general in Madagascar is represented by Li-silicates of pegmatitic origin (mostly spodumene and only locally petalite). Li-bearing pegmatites in Madagascar were classified in the past as "sodic-pegmatites" in view of their high content of sodic feldspar (albite), in comparison with Li-depleted pegmatites which are rich in potassic feldspar (microcline). Malagasy "sodic-pegmatites" are well known for their production of gemstones of multicolored tourmaline, beryl, kunzite, etc. 	



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Drill hole Information	 A summary of all information material to the understanding of the exploration results including a tabulation of the following information for all Material drill holes: easting and northing of the drill hole collar elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation above sea level in metres) of the drill hole collar dip and azimuth of the hole down hole length and interception depth Drillhole length. 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. 	• Not Applicable
Data aggregation methods	 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. 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. The assumptions used for any reporting of metal equivalent values should be clearly stated. 	 The samples are all point data, and no aggregation has been used.



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	• These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results.	Not Applicable
Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths	• If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drillhole angle is known, its nature should be reported.	
	• 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 known').	
Diagrams	 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. 	 Supporting figures have been included within the body of this announcement.
Balanced reporting	 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. 	All results have been reported.
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. 	• Not Applicable



Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
	• The nature and scale of planned further work (e.g. tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large-scale step-out drilling).	 A systematic exploration program is planned over the project area, including a mapping and sampling program, to be followed by a potential diamond drilling program, with the follow on aim of producing a maiden
Further work	 Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive. 	Mineral Resource.