# Boonanarring Mineral Sands Project: The next cab off the mineral sands rank

#### **Annual General Meeting of Shareholders**

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Patrick Mutz

**Managing Director** 

**Image Resources NL** 

**ASX: IMA** 



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# **Company Description and Focus**



**ASX: IMA** 

#### **Image Resources NL**

**Emerging mineral sands producer** 

Actively focused on **fast-tracking the development** of its **100%-owned**, high-grade and high-zircon flagship Boonanarring mineral sands project in the North Perth Basin in Western Australia.

First production targeted for early 2018.

### CONVENTIONAL, CONVENTIONAL, CONVENTIONAL

Dry open cut mining

Coarse grained mineralisation

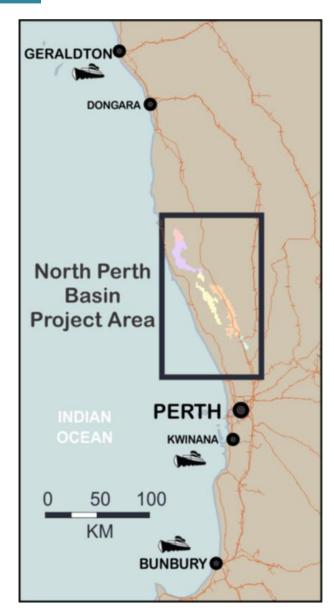
Standard suite of products

# **Project Location**





- North Perth Basin in Western Australia
- > 80 km north of Perth CBD
- Proven mineral sands address.
  - Including majors Iluka and Tronox
- > Infrastructure rich
  - paved roads, power, gas pipeline water, telecommunications etc.
- > Local communities and landowners experienced with, and accepting of, mineral sands mining.



### **Projects Types and Locations**

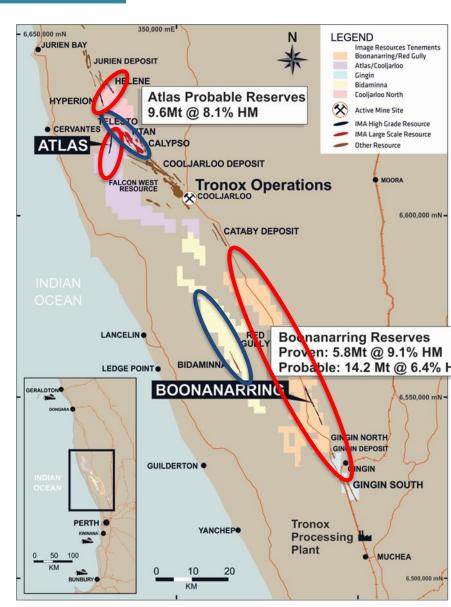


- > 1,000 km<sup>2</sup> tenements portfolio
- > 100% focus on mineral sands
- Strandline (dry open cut mining) projects

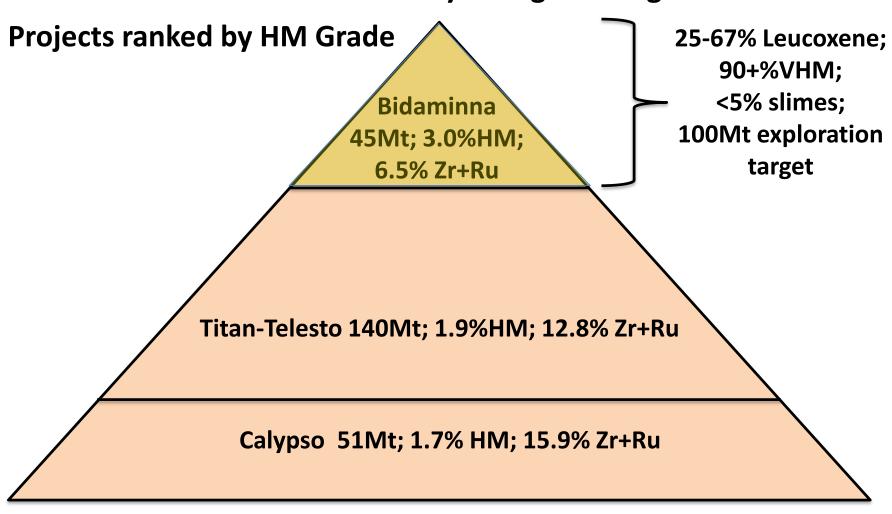


Dredge mining projects





Mineral Resources – Accessible by Dredge Mining

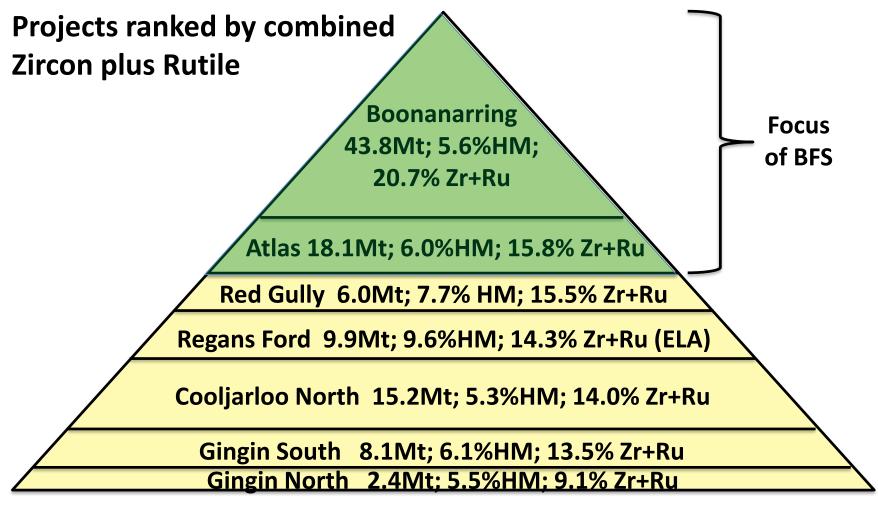


Total 236Mt; 2.1%HM; 11.5% Zr+Ru

# **Projects Pyramid – Strand Deposits**



Mineral Resources – Accessible by Dry Open-Cut Mining

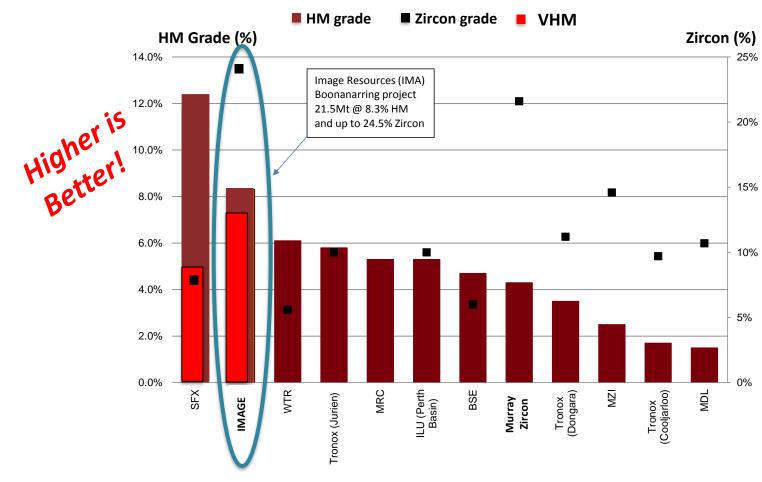


Total 103Mt; 6.2%HM; 17% Zr+Ru

### **Boonanarring Project Comparison**



### High HM, VHM and Zircon grades relative to peers



Source: Released on 4th May 2015 – Morgan's Research Note. VHM added by Image.

### **Ore Reserves**

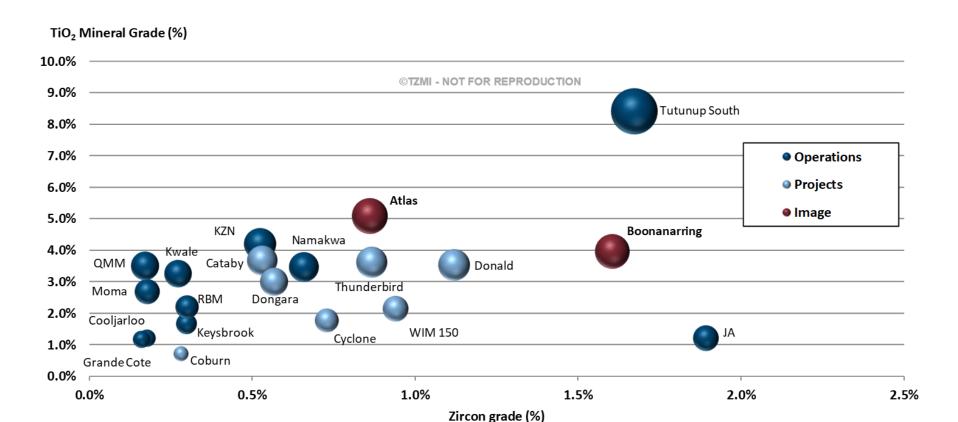




# **QUALITY ORE RESERVES**

- > JORC Code (2012) Compliant
- > High HM, VHM and very high zircon at Boonanarring

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Reserve	Category	Volume	Tonnes	% HM	% SLIMES	HM Tonnes	VHM	Ilmenite	Leucoxene	Rutile	Zircon
							(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Boonanarring <sup>2</sup>	Proved	3,125,000	5,829,000	9.1	14.2	527,000	74.2	48.5	1.9	2.2	21.6
Boonanarring <sup>2</sup>	Probable	7,460,000	14,155,000	6.3	17.4	905,000	79.3	52.2	1.7	2.6	22.8
<b>Total Boonanarrin</b>	g	10,585,000	19,984,000	7.2	16.5	1,432,000	77.4	50.8	1.8	2.4	22.4
Atlas <sup>2</sup>	Probable	5,000,000	9,477,000	8.1	15.5	770,000	73.3	50.7	4.5	7.5	103
Total Atlas		5,000,000	9,477,000	8.1	15.5	770,000	73.3	50.7	4.5	7.5	10.6
Total Ore Reserve	s	15,585,000	29,461,000	7.5	16.2	2,202,000	76.0	50.8	2.7	4.2	18.3
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#### Note:

- TiO<sub>2</sub> mineral grade represents the in-ground grade of titanium minerals (ilmenite, leucoxene and rutile)
- Zircon grade represents the in-ground grade of zircon
- Size of bubble represents the VHM grade (ilmenite, leucoxene, rutile and zircon).
- Data includes Proved and Probable Ore Reserves.
- Hard rock deposits are excluded from the analysis

Source: TZMI; May 2017

### **Base Assumptions**

- Start at Boonanarring
- Dry, open-cut mining
- Production rate 500 dtph ore
- Conventional gravity separation using spirals
- **Product: Heavy Mineral Concentrate** 
  - Production rate: avg. approx. 220K tonnes/annum
  - Truck to Bunbury for bulk shipments to China

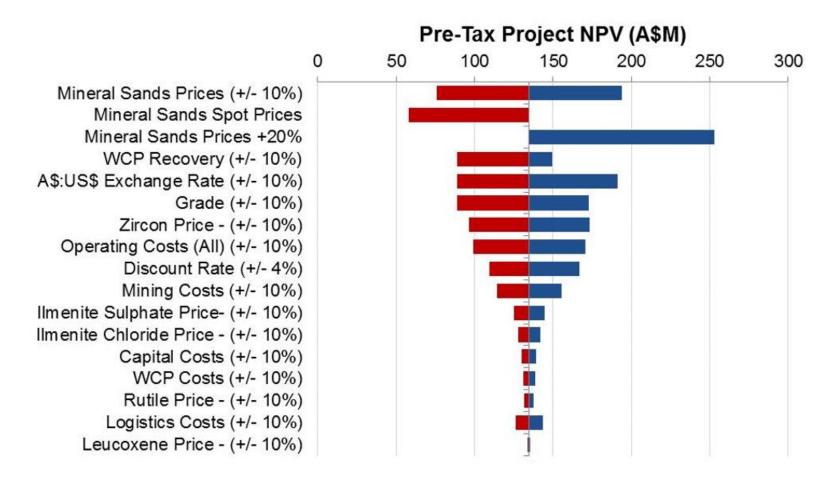


### **Key Financial Metrics**

- Pre-Tax NPV A\$135M (8% discount rate)
- Pre-Tax IRR 64%
- ➤ Mine life 8+ years
- Project capital cost A\$52M
  - includes ~\$8M for land
- Payback period 22 months

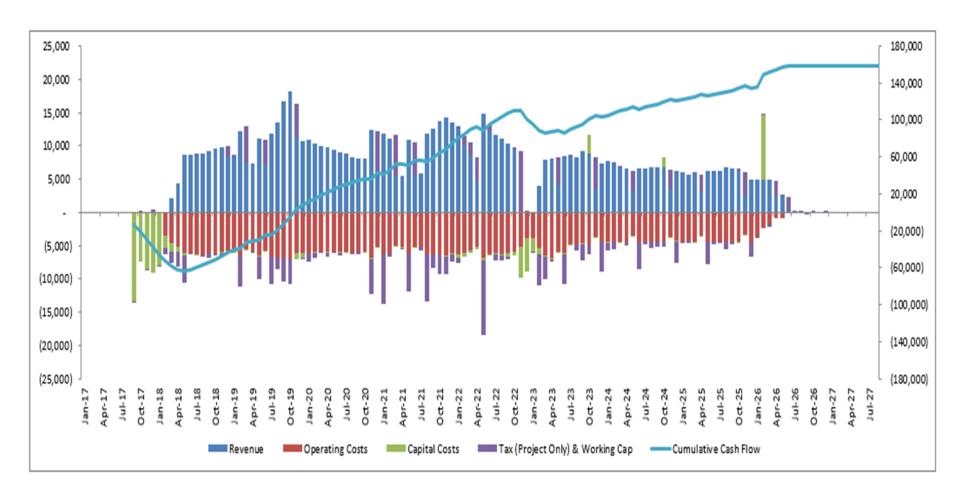


### **Sensitivity Analysis**



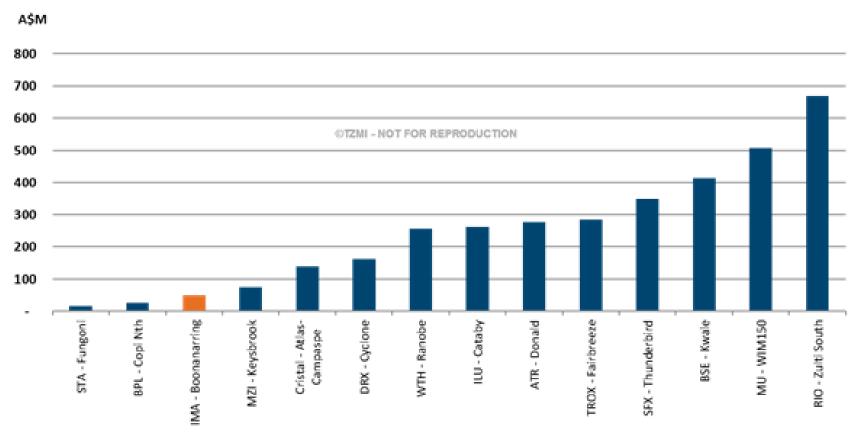


### Monthly Revenue, Costs and Cash Flow



## **Project Capital Comparison**





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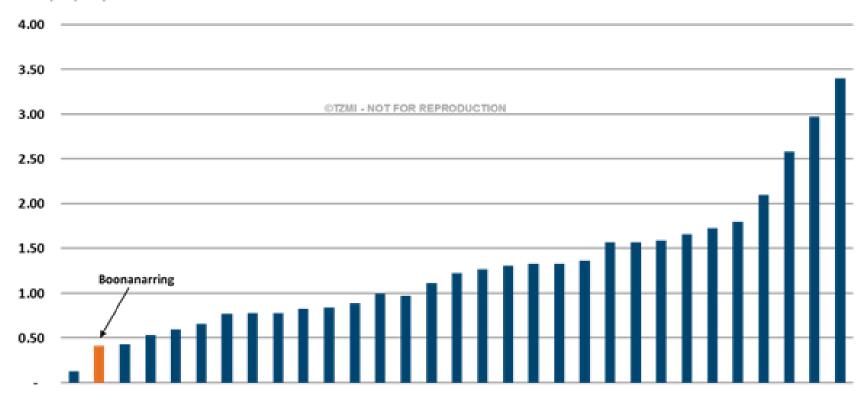
- Data sourced from company reports in the public domain.
- United States dollar capital costs are converted to Australian Dollars using an exchange rate of 0.75 (AUD:USD).
- Cataby has a range of A\$250M to A\$275M, midpoint used in this analysis.
- Ranobe capital cost is based on the 2012 DES estimate.

Source: TZMI; May 2017

# Start-up Capital / Revenue Ratio



#### Start-up capital / Revenue ratio



#### Note:

- Capital intensity is measured as start-up capital divided by the maximum annual revenue.
- Based on TZMI analysis using TZMI price forecasts and modelling except for Boonanarring which is based on Image physicals, operating and capital costs.
- 31 advanced projects are included varying from brownfield to greenfield projects.

Source: TZMI; May 2017



### Other Key Metrics

- 100% offtake contract
  - Market-based pricing model
  - Full credit for TiO2 products
  - Life of project
  - No minimum specs.
- Key capital equipment already acquired
  - From run-of-mine ore through to HMC product

# Plant and Equipment (select examples)





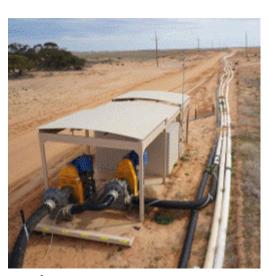
Wet Concentration Plant



Mineral Separation Plant (Option)



Power poles, wires & transformers



Slurry Booster Stations & pipelines



Mine Slurry Unit

**HMC Stackers** 

Plus much, much more.

# **Image Wet Concentration Plant**



### **Advantages of HMC Offtake vs Zircon Offtake**

- results in securing 100% of revenue instead of 65-70% for zircon only;
- provides faster access to revenue;
  - letters of credit can be converted to cash as soon as each shipment of HMC departs the Bunbury port, compared to having to wait until the HMC is processed into final products and the zircon is loaded and departs the port of loading;
- reduces total working capital requirements by A\$7-8M due to the faster receipt of revenue; and
- eliminates risks and potential extra costs associated with HMC processing (separation) including processing and delivery schedules, product quality issues, administration and marketing.
- Reduces overall project capital

#### **Upside potential at and near Boonanarring**

- Confirmed potential to extend mine life with high grade mineralisation;
- Potential to process lower grade overlying layer of mineralisation;
- Several other deposits with high grade mineral resources in the vicinity.

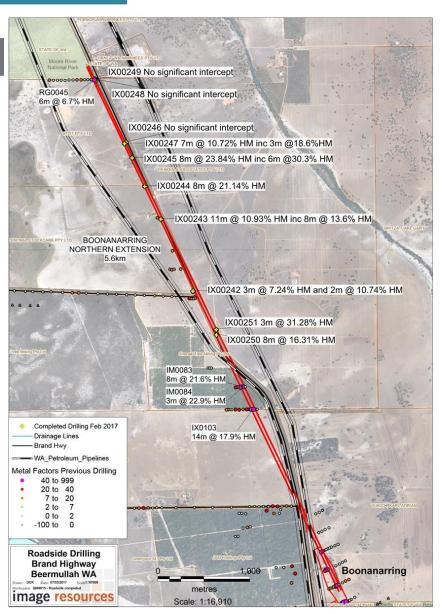
### **Boonanarring Deposit Extensions**



#### **ASX Announcement 13 March 2017**

#### **New Drilling Results (Feb 2017)**

- Confirm 5.6km northern extension of **Boonanarring mineralisation**
- Outstanding high-grade intersections:
  - 8m @ 23.8% HM in IX00245
  - 8m @ 21.1% HM in IX00244 and
  - 8m @ 16.3% HM in IX00250



# **Potential Royalty from Tronox**

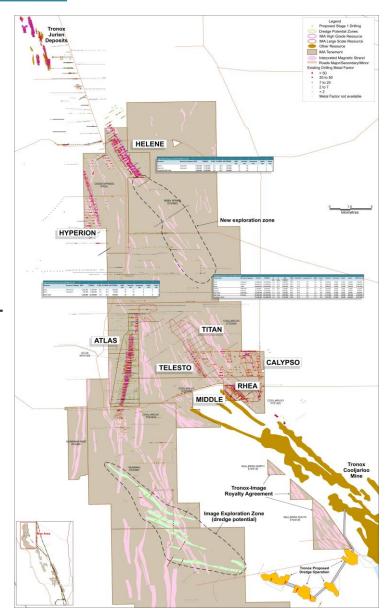


#### Royalty agreement in place as of

- ➤ A\$50,000 cash received
- Sliding-scale royalty on production

Avg. HM Grade	<u>Royalty</u>
2.5%	1.25%
3.0%	2.50%
3.5%	3.75%
4.0%	5.00%

Potential for future arrangements with Tronox or others based on large area of potential dredge mining mineralisation within Image's tenements in the vicinity of Tronox's historic dredge operations.



# **Project Approvals**



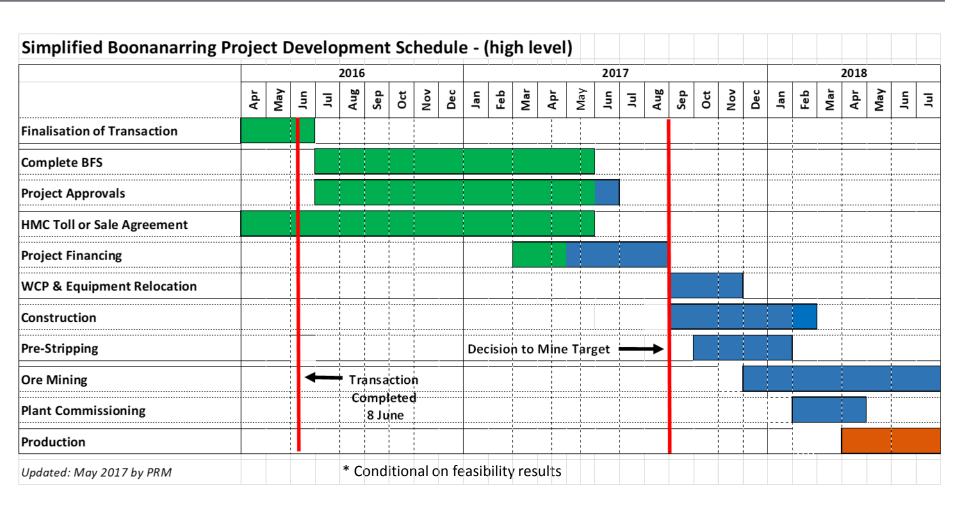


- Mining Lease & General Purpose Lease
- Part IV, Environmental Protection Act (WA) PER
- EPBC Act (Commonwealth)
- Landowner agreements
- Groundwater Abstraction Licence (Dept of Water and Dept Parks & Wildlife)
- Interim groundwater licence site establishment (DoW)
- Mining Proposal incl. MCP, EMS & ASS Mgmt Plan (DMP)
- Works Approval (Dept of Environment Regulation) Draft in review
- Project Management Plan/Radiation Management Plan (DMP) 75% Complete
- Atlas Project Gap Analysis Environmental Studies & Approvals

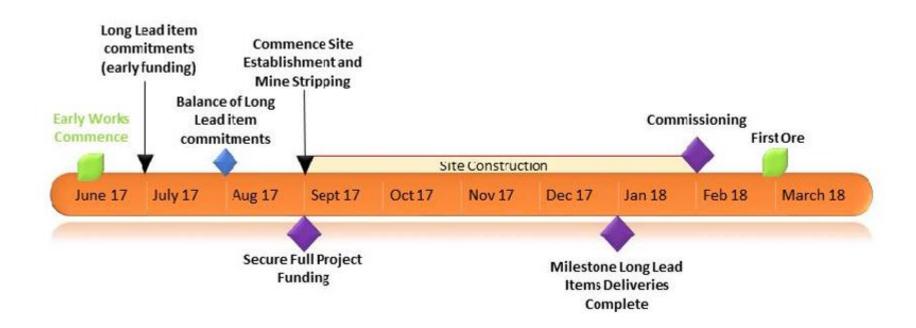
#### **Project Development Schedule**



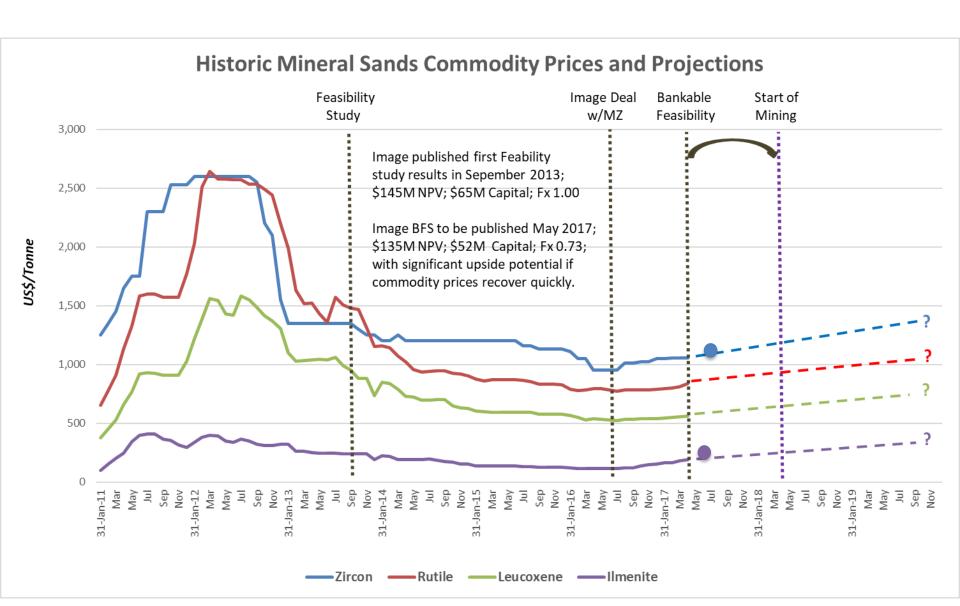
#### Targeting first production in early 2018\*



### **Project Implementation Schedule**



# **Historic Commodity Pricing**

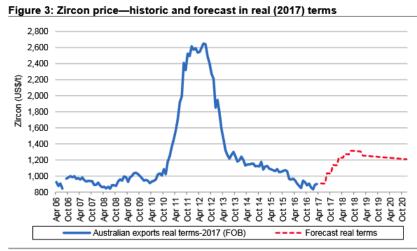


# **Commodity Prices on the Rise**

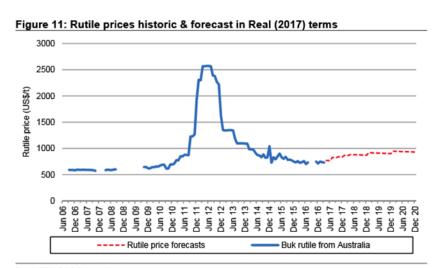
#### Zircon-

We forecast two more quarterly increases of +\$100/t and then two further \$50/t increases. That would take the price from around \$860/t at the start of 2017, to \$1350/t by 2H18, our forecast price peak. (Source: FNZC Market Daily, 29 May 2017) (Credit Suisse)

Rutile price forecast lifted from 2019 (Source: FNZC Market Daily, 29 May 2017)



Source: TZMI, Credit Suisse estimates

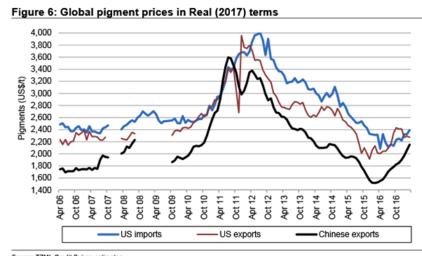


Source: TZMI, Credit Suisse estimates

# **Commodity Prices on the Rise**

We increase our ilmenite forecasts and now expect them to double YoY by 3Q17. Given the Chinese impetus behind ilmenite, we forecast ilmenite prices will essentially double in 2017, from \$80/t in early 2016 to \$160/t FOB by 3Q17. We see further increases towards \$200/t by 2019, due to expected ongoing solid demand from China. (Source: FNZC Market Daily, 29 May 2017)

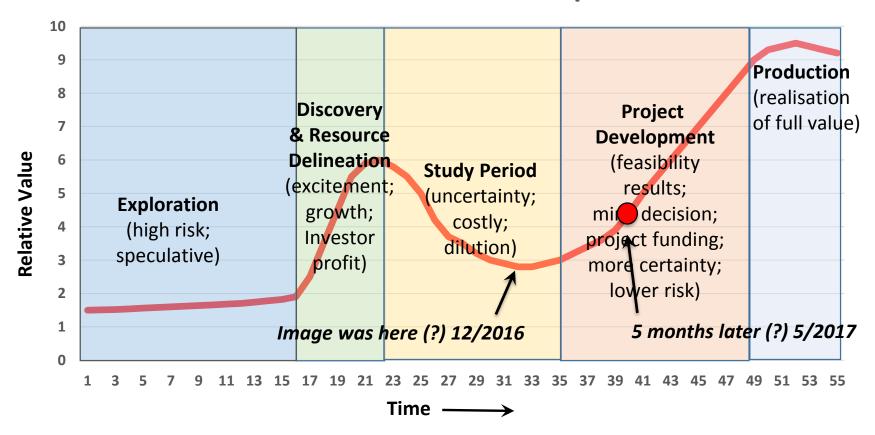
TiO2 pigments – pigment price rise picking up pace. Price increases are getting stronger and a new round of price hikes is coming by mid-year. Cristal announced global price rises of \$250/t for most regions, and €350/t in Europe. (Source: FNZC Market Daily, 29 May 2017)



Source: TZMI, Credit Suisse estimates

# **Transition from Explorer to Producer**

### **Generalisation of Transition from Explorer to Producer**



# **Image Corporate Snapshot**



### Diverse and experienced Board and Management

Share Code:

Share Price:

12 Month Price Range:

Shares on Issue:

Market Cap:

Cash on hand:

Debt (short-term):

Top 20 Shareholders:

IMA

A\$0.10\*

A\$0.04 - 0.11

537.6m

A\$54m\*

A\$3.0m\*\*

A\$4.0m

68%

#### **Board of Directors**

Bob Besley – Independent Chairman Patrick Mutz – Managing Director Chaodian Chen - Non-Executive Director Aaron Chong Veoy Soo – Non-Executive Dir George Sakalidis – Executive Director Peter Thomas – Non-Executive Director Fei (Eddy) Wu – Non-Executive Director

#### **Key Management**

Patrick Mutz – CFO George Sakalidis – Exploration Director John McEvoy – Chief Financial Officer Todd Colton – General Manager – Dev.

<sup>120%</sup> Image Resources NL (ASX:IMA) Iluka Resources (ASX:ILU) 100% 80% 60% 40% 20% Mar Feb Dec Jan Apr May

<sup>\* -</sup> as at 26 May 2017

<sup>\* \* -</sup> as at 30 April 2017



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### **Compliance Statements**



#### COMPLIANCE STATEMENT FOR BOONANARRING AND ATLAS DEPOSITS ORE RESERVES.

The Ore Reserves statements for the Atlas and Boonanarring deposits have been compiled in accordance with the guidelines of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (The JORC Code - 2012 Edition). The Ore Reserves have been compiled by Jarrod Pye, Mining Engineer and full-time employee of Image Resources, under the direction of Andrew Law of Optiro, who is a Fellow of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr Law has sufficient experience in Ore Reserves estimation relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". Mr Law consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters compiled by him in the form and context in which it appears.

#### COMPLIANCE STATEMENT FOR EXPLORATION

Information in this presentation that relates to Exploration Results is based on information compiled by George Sakalidis BSc (Hons) who is a member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. At the time that the Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves were compiled, George Sakalidis was a director of Image Resources NL. He has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking 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'. George Sakalidis consents to the inclusion of this information in the form and context in which it appears in this report.

# **Mineral Resources – Strand Deposits**

#### Strand Deposits 1 of 2

High Grade Mineral Resources - Strand Deposits; in accordance with the JORC Code (2012) @ 2.0% HM Cut-off												
Project/Deposit	Category	Volume	Tonnes	% HM	% Slimes	<b>HM Tonnes</b>	VHM	Ilmenite	Leucoxene	Rutile	Zircon	
							(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	
Boonanarring <sup>1</sup>	Measured	4,105,263	7,800,000	8.2	14	639,600	71.5	47.3	1.9	2.2	20.1	
Boonanarring <sup>1</sup>	Indicated	13,736,842	26,100,000	5.3	18	1,383,300	73.3	49.6	2.0	2.5	19.2	
Boonanarring <sup>1</sup>	Inferred	5,210,526	9,900,000	4.5	21	445,500	69.2	50.3	3.5	3.5	11.9	
<b>Boonanarring Total</b>		23,052,632	43,800,000	5.6	18	2,468,400	72.1	49.1	2.2	2.6	18.1	
Atlas <sup>1</sup>	Measured	5,210,526	9,900,000	7.9	16.1	782,000	71.0	49.1	4.2	7.2	10.5	
Atlas <sup>1</sup>	Indicated	3,368,421	6,400,000	3.7	17.3	237,000	56.5	41.6	3.4	4.7	6.8	
Atlas <sup>1</sup>	Inferred	947,368	1,800,000	4.0	19.9	72,000	41.5	29.0	3.3	4.4	4.8	
Atlas Total		9,526,316	18,100,000	6.0	16.9	1,091,000	65.9	46.1	4.0	6.5	9.3	
Sub-Total Atlas/Boonanarring		32,578,947	61,900,000	5.7	17.7	3,559,400	70.2	48.2	2.8	3.8	15.4	

# **Mineral Resources – Strand Deposits**



#### Strand Deposits 2 of 2

Previously Reported Mineral Resources - Strand Deposits; in accordance with JORC Code (2004) @ 2.5% HM Cut-off											
Project/Deposit	Category	Volume	Tonnes	% HM	% Slimes	<b>HM Tonnes</b>	VHM	Ilmenite	Leucoxene	Rutile	Zircon
							(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Gingin Nth <sup>3</sup>	Indicated	680,175	1,318,642	5.7	15.7	75,163	75.4	57.4	9.3	3.2	5.5
Gingin Nth <sup>3</sup>	Inferred	580,000	1,090,000	5.2	14.0	57,116	78.4	57.3	11.3	3.7	6.0
Gingin Nth Total		1,260,175	2,408,642	5.5	15.0	132,279	76.7	57.3	10.2	3.4	5.7
Gingin Sth <sup>3</sup>	Measured	872,830	1,526,122	4.4	7.2	67,149	79.4	50.7	15.3	5.6	7.8
Gingin Sth <sup>3</sup>	Indicated	3,241,835	5,820,480	6.5	7.1	377,167	90.6	67.6	9.8	5.1	8.1
Gingin Sth <sup>3</sup>	Inferred	398,573	732,912	6.5	8.4	47,566	91.6	67.4	7.5	5.8	10.9
Gingin Sth Total		4,513,238	8,079,514	6.1	7.3	491,882	89.2	65.3	10.3	5.2	8.3
Helene <sup>3</sup>	Indicated	5,568,110	11,466,106	4.6	18.6	522,854	88.7	74.6	0.0	3.6	10.5
Hyperion <sup>3</sup>	Indicated	1,786,781	3,742,471	7.7	19.3	286,673	69.4	55.8	0.0	6.3	7.3
Cooljarloo Nth Tota	I	7,354,891	15,208,577	5.3	18.8	809,528	81.9	67.9	0.0	4.6	9.4
Red Gully <sup>3</sup>	Indicated	1,930,000	3,409,768	7.8	11.5	265,962	89.7	66.0	8.3	3.1	12.4
Red Gully <sup>3</sup>	Inferred	1,455,000	2,565,631	7.5	10.7	192,422	89.0	65.4	8.2	3.0	12.3
Red Gully Total		3,385,000	5,975,399	7.7	11.2	458,384	89.4	65.7	8.2	3.1	12.4
Sub-Total Other		16,513,304	31,672,132	6.0	14.1	1,892,073	85.2	66.0	5.4	4.3	9.6

Historic Deposit - Strand deposit (Under EL application)												
Project/Deposit	Category	Volume	Tonnes	% HM	% Slimes	<b>HM Tonnes</b>	VHM	Ilmenite	Leucoxene	Rutile	Zircon	
							(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	
Regans Ford <sup>4</sup>	Indicated	4,505,285	9,024,226	9.9	16.8	893,398	94.3	70.0	10.0	4.3	10.0	
Regans Ford <sup>4</sup>	Inferred	455,933	918,536	6.5	18.5	59,705	90.5	68.3	7.7	4.4	10.1	
Regans Ford Total		4.961.218	9.942.762	9.6	17.0	953.103	94.1	69.9	9.9	4.3	10.0	

# **Mineral Resources – Dredge Deposits**



#### Dredge Deposits 1 of 1

Previously Repo	Previously Reported Mineral Resources - Dredge deposits; in accordance with JORC Code (2004) @ 1.0% HM Cut-off												
Project/Deposit	Category	Volume	Tonnes	% HM	% HM % Slimes HM Tonnes		VHM	Ilmenite	Leucoxene	Rutile	Zircon		
							(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)		
Titan <sup>3</sup>	Indicated	10,335,053	21,163,741	1.8	22.1	378,831	86.0	71.9	1.5	3.1	9.5		
Titan <sup>3</sup>	Inferred	58,517,775	115,445,391	1.9	18.9	2,205,007	85.9	71.8	1.5	3.1	9.5		
<b>Total Titan</b>	Total	68,852,828	136,609,132	1.9	19.4	2,583,838	85.9	71.8	1.5	3.1	9.5		
Telesto <sup>3</sup>	Indicated	1,716,328	3,512,204	3.8	18.4	134,499	83.3	67.5	0.7	5.6	9.5		
Calypso <sup>3</sup>	Inferred	27,113,647	51,457,008	1.7	13.7	854,186	85.6	68.1	1.6	5.1	10.8		
Bidaminna <sup>3</sup>	Inferred	26,260,000	44,642,000	3.0	3.6	1,339,260	96.8	83.11	7.2	1.0	5.5		
Total Dredge		123,942,803	236,220,344	2.1	15.2	4,911,783	88.7	74.1	3.1	2.9	8.6		

### **Compliance Statements Mineral Resources**



#### COMPLIANCE STATEMENT FOR MINERAL RESOURCES

#### 1. COMPLIANCE STATEMENT Boonanarring/Atlas Mineral Resources

The information in this presentation that relates to the estimation of Mineral Resources is based on information compiled by Mrs Christine Standing, who is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (AusIMM) and the Australian Institute of Geoscientists (AIG). Mrs Standing is a full-time employee of Optiro Pty Ltd and has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which she is undertaking 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'. Mrs Standing consents to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on her information in the form and context in which it appears.

#### 3. COMPETENT PERSON'S STATEMENT – MINERAL RESOURCE ESTIMATES

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#### 4. HISTORIC INFORMATION – REGANS FORD DEPOSIT

The information in this presentation that relates to tonnes, grades and mineral assemblage is based on historic information published by Iluka Resources Limited and indicating the mineral resources were compiled in accordance with the JORC Code (2004).