

LOCH LILLY DRILLING RESULTS

Argent at a glance

ASX-listed Company focused on the expansion and development of its significant existing base and precious metal projects and to leverage its expertise to pursue value accretive acquisitions of other significant projects identified by the Company.

Facts

■ ASX Codes:	ARD, ARDO ¹
■ Share price (1 November 2017):	\$0.030
■ Option price (1 November 2017):	\$0.005
■ Shares on issue:	421.4 M
■ Market capitalisation	\$12.6 M

¹ \$0.10 exercise price, 27 June 2019 expiry.

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Highlights:

- Both diamond holes intersected a series of porphyritic intrusives and alteration, with assays yielding positive copper-gold porphyry geochemical suite results, and Netley yielding elevated copper.
- \$141,966 rebate received for 75% of the direct per-metre drilling costs from the NSW Government – as awarded to the Loch Lilly project following the merit-based assessment by an independent panel of experts.
- Argent to earn 51% interest immediately on satisfaction of its reporting obligations under the NSW Government Cooperative Drilling grant.
- Right to earn up to 90% interest in the 1,447 km² Loch Lilly project, which hosts mineralisation potential analogous to the Mount Read Volcanics of Western Tasmania.
- Samples dispatched for petrographic study, whole-rock characterisation studies and pyrite laser-ablation studies.



Argent Minerals Limited (ASX: ARD, Argent, or the Company) is pleased to report the results of the Loch Lilly project maiden drilling programme.

DRILLING RESULTS

About the Netley target and the design of hole ALN001

Netley is one of four target areas defined in the Loch Lilly - Kars Belt JV area by the collaborative effort between Anglo American Exploration (Australia) Pty Ltd (AngloAmerican) and Dr. Anthony Crawford during 2014/15 before AngloAmerican exited the project as part of a global restructuring initiative. Argent designed the diamond hole ALN001 designed to test the coincident geophysical anomalies illustrated in Figure 1 and 2:

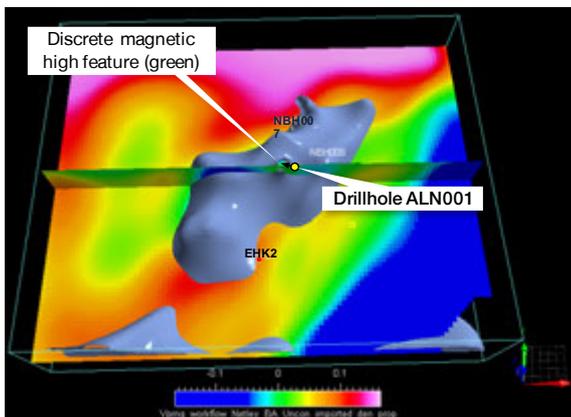


Figure 1a – Netley drillhole ALN001 design targeting the discrete magnetic high within the 3D magnetic response surface, overlaid on a two dimensional residual gravity plot, and intersected by a vertical residual gravity ‘slice’.

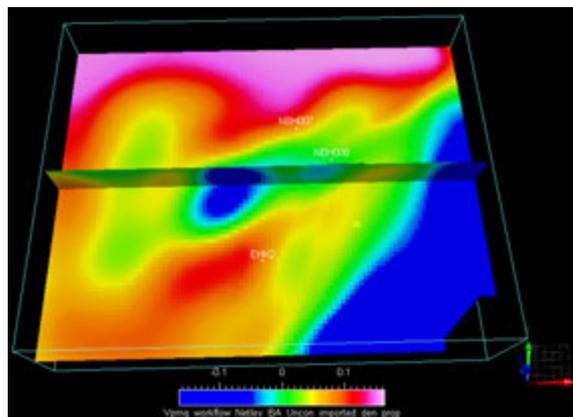


Fig 1b – Illustrating the underlying 2D residual gravity plot, and the vertical residual gravity ‘slice’ produced by the inversion modeling.

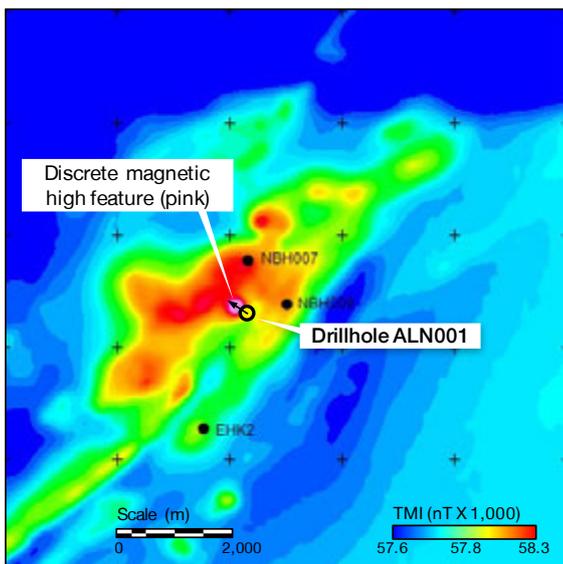


Figure 2a – Netley drillhole ALN001 design targeting the discrete magnetic high, a two dimensional version of the magnetic response (plan view). The plot area is indicated by the ‘Target detail’ square at the Netley location in Figure 6.

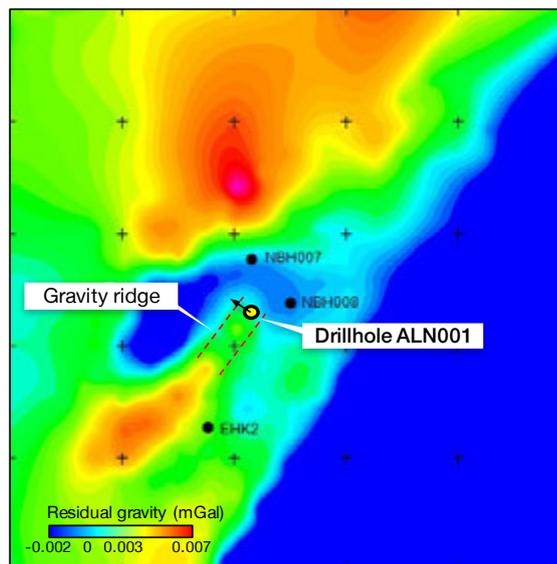


Fig 2b – Netley drillhole ALN001 design in relation to the residual gravity low, over a Bouguer gravity plot for the same area covered by Figure 2a, using a different gravity scaling/shading to that in Figures 1a and 1b.

The Netley target was defined through 3D modelling performed by AngloAmerican on a dataset comprising a 400 station ground gravity survey, a magnetic survey, and historical drill core. Inversion modelling was conducted on available geophysical data to improve the resolution and depth expression of the magnetic response.

The modelling revealed near-coincident magnetic high and gravity low anomalies reminiscent of the scale and detail of the Northparkes mineralised finger porphyries rising from a basal monzodiorite pluton, and that historic drilling failed to intersect the magnetic source body.

At a 70° dip toward the northwest (315° azimuth), drillhole ALN001 was designed to intersect the discrete magnetic high feature illustrated in Figures 1a and 2a. This hole design also complements the test of the magnetics feature performed by drilling across the end of the gravity high ridge in the gravity low area (Figure 2b).

About the Netley hole ALN001 drilling results

Diamond hole ALN001 was drilled to 483.6 metres, intersecting a series of porphyritic intrusives (monzonites and diorites), strong propylitic to skarnoid alteration with lesser zones of potassic alteration (for further explanation refer to Figure 9 in Appendix 2), abundant pyrite and sparse, localised chalcopyrite (copper). More than 50% of the ALN001 drillcore was submitted for assay based on visual observations.

The diorite-gabbro dykes in the lower portion of the hole yielded assay ranges typically up to **0.01 g/t Au, 0.11% Cu, 92 ppm Zn, 136 ppm Pb, 174 ppm As, and 65 ppm Mo.**

Of particular interest are the broad consistent low-level assays of the following interval:

- 73.3 m @ 0.03% Cu from 355.7 m
incl. 0.6 m @ 0.11% Cu from 393.8 m.

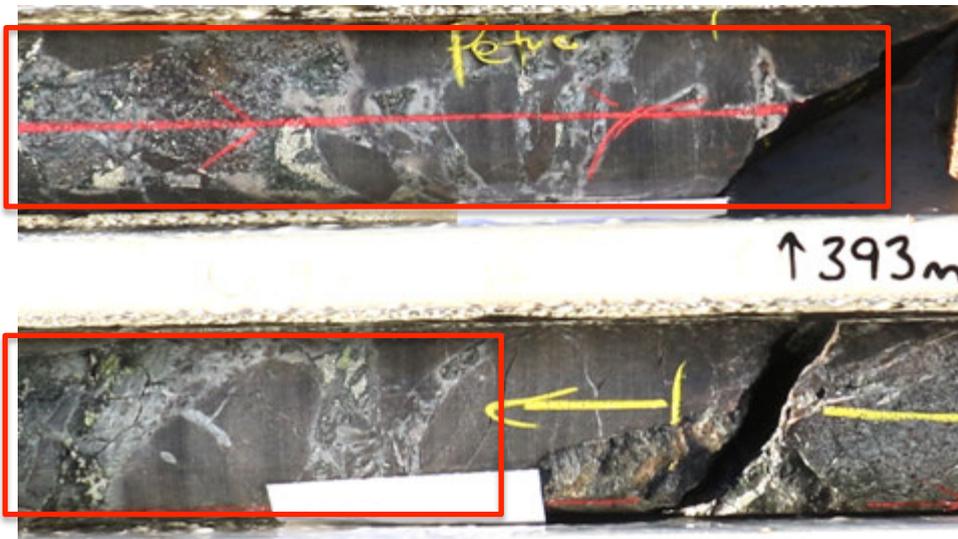


Figure 3 – Photo of Netley ALN001 drillcore from 392.8 to 393.0 and 393.6 to 393.8 metres with intersected copper (chalcopyrite) highlighted within the following observed context: *Contact breccia zone between feldspar-biotite-sericite-actinolite-epidote-pyrite-chalcopyrite (Skarn) altered sandstone with pyroxene-amphibole-feldspar phyrlic gabbro.*

The target magnetic and gravity anomalies illustrated in Figures 1 and 2 cannot be fully explained by the intersected geology and magnetic susceptibility readings observed in the drill hole.

The anomalous copper, together with elevated zinc to 282 ppm and molybdenum to 297 ppm could suggest that the hole intersected an outer halo of a mineralised porphyry copper system.

Further investigation is warranted in order to determine the source of the gravity and magnetic anomalies and the source of the increased base metal concentrations.

For further details refer to Appendix 2.



About the Eaglehawk target and the hole ALE001 design

Figures 4a, b and c illustrate the planned collar positioning and direction of drillhole ALE001 in relation to the three coincident geophysical anomalies identified within the same geographical area (the area is also indicated by the violet 'Target detail' rectangle at the Eaglehawk location in Figure 6).

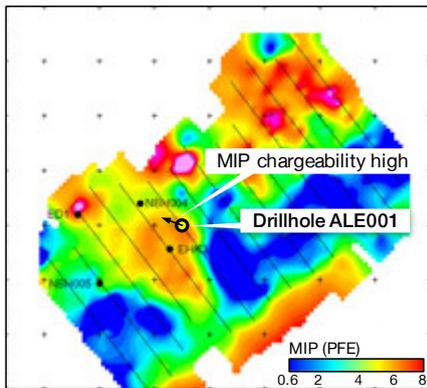


Figure 4a – Eaglehawk drillhole ALE001 design in relation to chargeability high, over MIP percentage frequency effect (PFE) background (plan view).

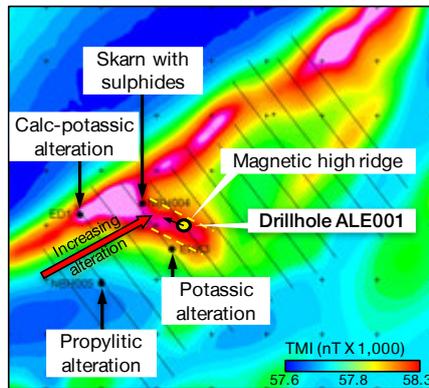


Fig 4b Drillhole ALE001 design in relation to alteration and magnetic high ridge, over magnetics reduced to pole (RTP) background (plan view).

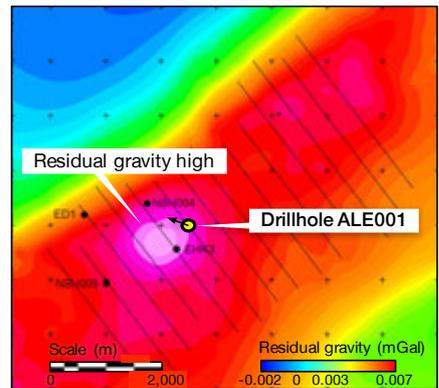


Fig 4c Drillhole ALE001 design in relation to residual gravity high, over 0.5 km spacing residual gravity background (plan view).

At a dip of 70° in the 290° azimuth direction, diamond hole ALE001 was designed primarily to test the most compelling magnetic induced polarisation (MIP) chargeability high anomaly (Figure 4a) that is also coincident with both a magnetic high ridge (Figure 4b) and a residual gravity high (Figure 4c).

Hole ALE001 was designed to test the interpretation of the denser, more magnetic features of known basalt and andesite units and a possible interaction with a fertile porphyry intrusion that would be responsible for skarn mineralisation intersected by historical drillhole NBH004.

About the Eaglehawk hole ALE001 results

Designed for 500 metres, diamond hole ALE001 was drilled to 550.5 metres. The hole intersected a series of porphyritic intrusives, ranging from quartz monzonite, granodiorite and diorite in the upper section of the drillcore, to quartz monzonite, diorite and syenite in the deeper section of the drillcore.

Each of the porphyritic intrusives exhibits weak domainal propylitic alteration, and the quartz diorite intrusive from 423.4 to 536.6 metres exhibits contact skarn alteration pervading up to 15 metres into the host turbidite units.



Figure 5 - ALE001 Eaglehawk from 420.0 to 420.3 metres and 420.9 to 421.2 metres – siliciclastic mudstone with strong pervasive garnet-epidote-chlorite-barite (Skarn) alteration.

The monzonite-diorite intrusives yielded assay ranges typically up to 0.04 g/t Au, 195 ppm Cu, 158 ppm Zn, 10 ppm Pb, 6 ppm As, and 3 ppm Mo.

The granodiorite-syenite dykes typically yielded assay ranges up to 0.01 g/t Au, 24 ppm Cu, 92 ppm Zn, 15 ppm Pb, 0.4 ppm As, and 2 ppm Mo.

The skarn alteration in the contact zone between the diorite and siliciclastic turbidites yielded assay ranges up to 0.04 g/t Au, 341 ppm Cu, 84 ppm Zn, 11 ppm Pb, 8 ppm As and 2 ppm Mo.

Alteration in the area is generally weak and localised. The skarnoid alteration seen at the upper contact of a porphyritic diorite intrusive from 414.4 metres is strong in intensity and may be a localised feature to the intrusive.

Whilst the residual gravity high anomaly in the area may be explained by the concentration of volcanic intrusives, **pyrite levels were insufficient to adequately explain the MIP chargeability anomaly, to generate the conductivity reading of the magnitude observed.**

The drillcore petrophysical response was also insufficient to explain the magnetic high anomaly in the area.

Elevated zinc to 158 ppm could potentially indicate a distal position to mineralisation.

Given the elevated copper and gold in the context of the observed intrusives and alteration, further investigation is required to adequately test the MIP chargeability and magnetic high features.

For further details please refer to Appendix 2.

75% CASH REBATE RECEIVED FOR THE DIRECT DRILLING COSTS

On 1 November 2017 the Company received bank advice that \$141,966 has been transferred to Argent's account by the NSW Government Department of Environment and Planning.

The payment is settlement of the Company's claim for 75% of the direct per-metre drilling costs for the Loch Lilly project under the NSW Cooperative Drilling funding deed.

The Loch Lilly project drilling grant was awarded on the basis of merit in a highly competitive environment where applications were assessed by an independent expert panel for demonstrated prospectivity, sound financial planning and a proven technical base.

As a testament to the quality of Argent's asset portfolio and its financial management, each of Argent's top three projects at Kempfield, West Wyalong and Loch Lilly have been awarded NSW Government Cooperative Drilling grants on the same basis and process.

ARGENT 51% INTEREST IN 1,447 KM² MOUNT READ VOLCANICS EQUIVALENT BELT

Under the Loch Lilly Joint Venture Agreement, Argent will have earned a 51% interest in the project on satisfaction of its reporting obligations under the NSW Cooperative Drilling funding deed.

At that point, which will be announced to the ASX, Argent will own a controlling interest in the 1,447 km² tenement area of the Loch Lilly – Kars Belt for minimal initial outlay, and the continuing right to earn up to a 90% interest through further exploration.

The Loch Lilly - Kars Belt, located in western NSW approximately 80 kilometres south of Broken Hill, hosts a polymetallic volcanic-hosted massive sulphide VHMS, copper-gold porphyry and nickel sulphide mineralisation potential analogous to the Mount Read Volcanics of Western Tasmania.

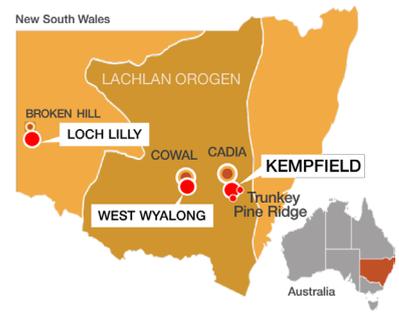
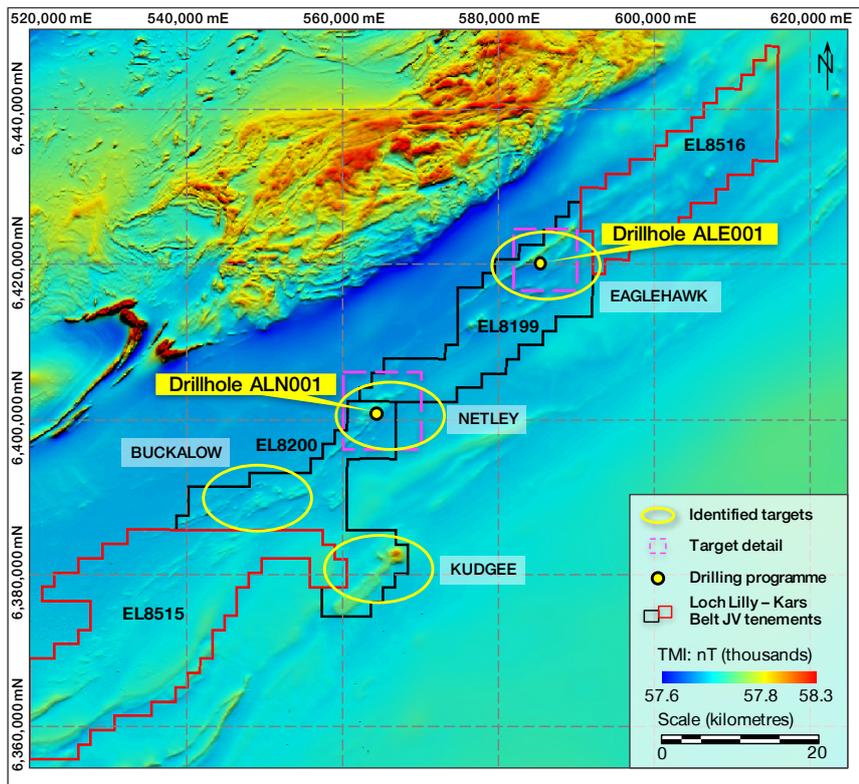


Figure 6 – Plan view illustrating the locations of the collars for drillholes ALE001 and ALN001 over a total magnetic intensity (TMI) background, with the Loch Lilly - Kars Belt project tenements in the foreground and the key identified targets highlighted with yellow ellipses. For target detail refer to Figures 1, 2 and 4.

NEXT STEPS

Samples have been collected and dispatched for qualitative studies to be completed, for maximum extraction of information from the collected drillcore samples.

Petrographic samples were obtained for key lithologies and alteration types in order to quantify the various compositions present in drillcore.

Samples were collected and dispatched for complete characterisation assay and studies to be employed in ongoing pathfinder element suite work and compositional analysis for characterisation of the volcanic suites.

Pyrite Laser Ablation ICP-MS work has been initiated on selected Netley samples to identify the pyrite growth phases at Netley and the associated element suites associated with each phase of growth.

The combination of all of these studies will allow Argent to readily identify further potential for the Loch Lilly Project and guide the exploration strategy.

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APPENDIX 2 – FURTHER DETAILS FOR ALN001 AND ALE001

ABOUT DRILLHOLE ALN001 - NETLEY

Intersected geology and assays

Diamond hole ALN001 was collared in thick sand and clay which continued to 87 metres depth and then penetrated weathered shale and a massive andesitic sequence to 251.6 metres. A variable meta-sediment continues to the end of hole at 483.6 metres, which is intruded by a series of monzonites and diorites.

The lower portion of the hole is characterised by an increase in brecciation and skarn metasomatism surrounding thin gabbroic dyke swarms. The lower sequence displays strong propylitic to skarnoid alteration with lesser zones of potassic alteration, abundant pyrite and sparse, localised chalcopyrite.

The monzonite-diorite intrusives typically show assay ranges up to 0.04 g/t Au, 127 ppm Cu, 282 ppm Zn, 200 ppm Pb, 75 ppm As and 13 ppm Mo. The diorite-gabbro dykes typically show assay ranges up to 0.01 g/t Au, 0.11% Cu, 92 ppm Zn, 136 ppm Pb, 174 ppm As, and 65 ppm Mo.

The hole also intersected molybdenum levels up to 300 ppm.

Of particular interest is the broad consistent low-level assays in the reported interval:

73.3m @ 0.03%Cu from 355.7m
incl. 0.6m @ 0.11%Cu from 393.8m.

The intersected geology and significant assays for ALN001 are illustrated in the Figure 4 cross-section together with the dominant types of alteration observed.

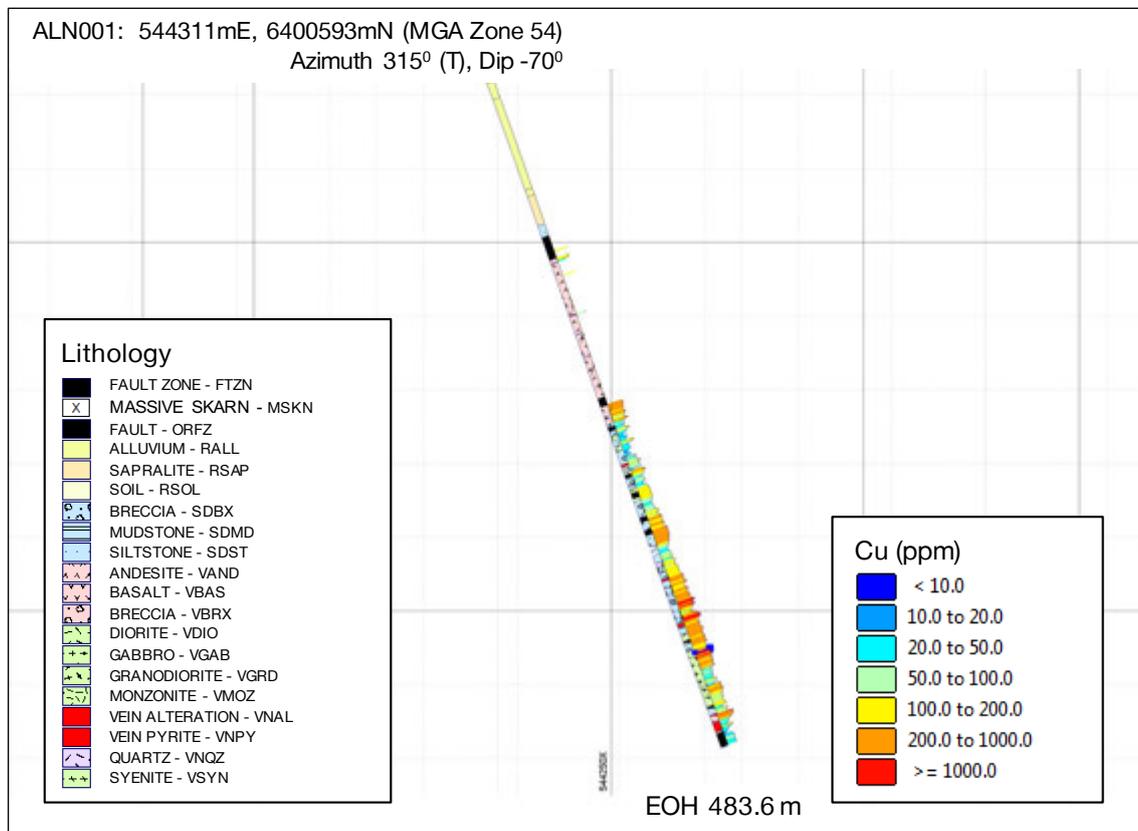


Figure 7 – Cross-section of ALN001 intersected lithology and mineralisation (Cu shown), view toward 225° T (approximately southwest).

ABOUT DRILLHOLE ALE001 - EAGLEHAWK

Intersected geology and interpreted location of mineralised porphyry

Diamond hole ALE001 was collared in thick sand and clay which continued to 130.4m depth. The majority of the drillhole consisted of siliciclastic turbidite sequences with a series of porphyritic intrusives ranging from quartz monzonite, granodiorite and diorite in the upper section of the drillhole, to quartz monzonite, diorite and syenite in the lower section of the drillhole. Each of the porphyritic intrusives has weak domainal propylitic alteration and the quartz diorite intrusive from 423.4 m to 536.6 m has contact skarn alteration pervading up to 15 m into the host turbidite units.

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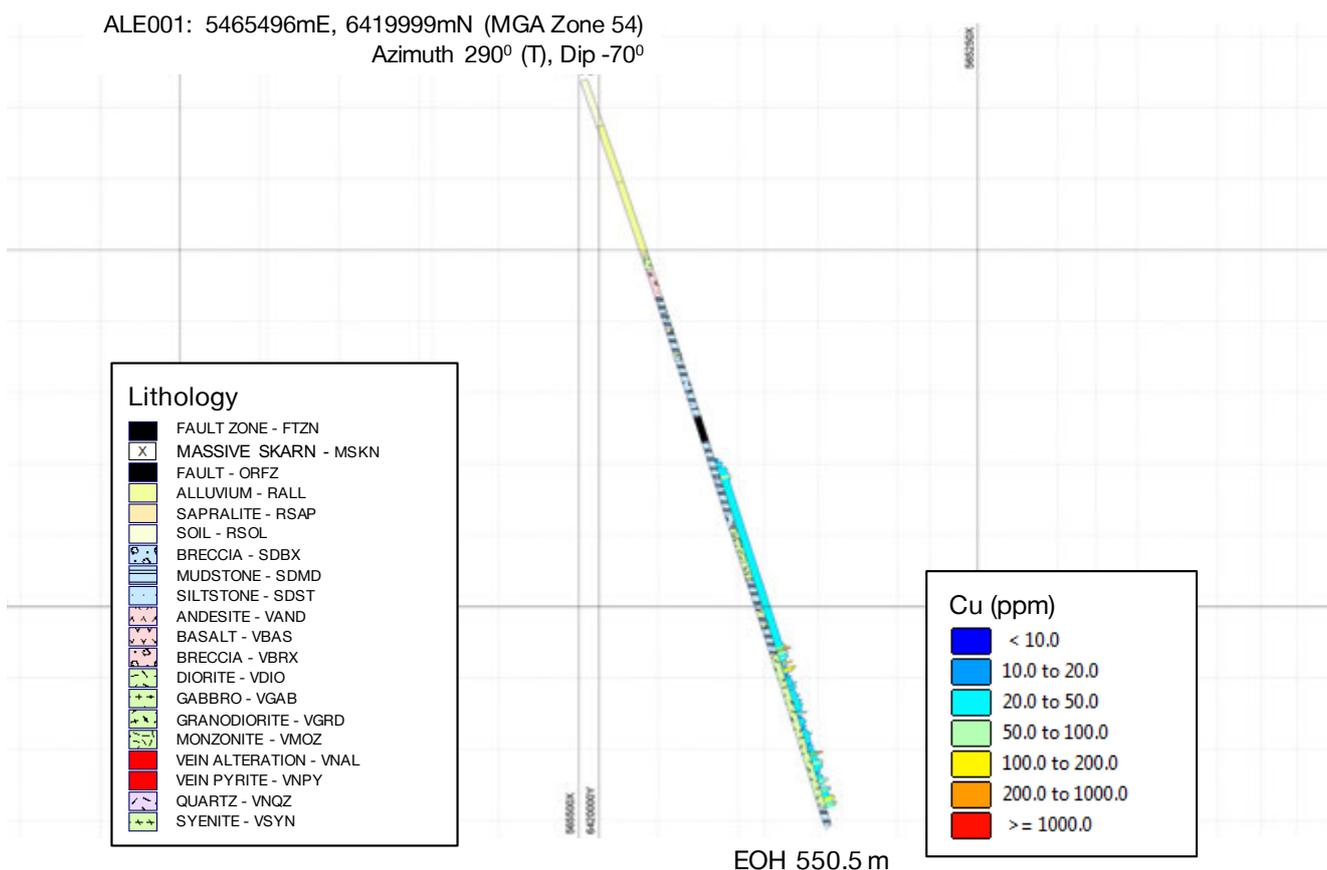
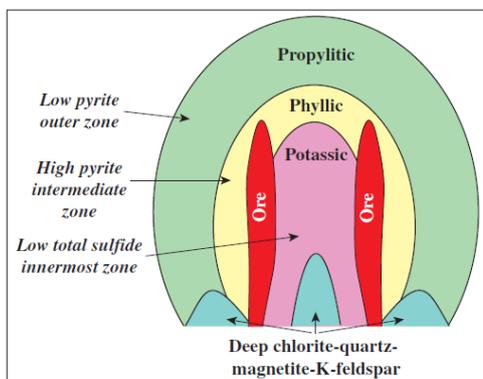


Figure 8 – Drillhole ALE001 cross-section of intersected lithology and mineralisation (Cu shown), view toward 200° T (approximately south-southwest).



Alteration zoning explanation

Propylitic alteration zoning in porphyry ore systems are an observable indication of hydrothermal activity which typically surround an inner potassic and potentially mineralised alteration zone.



Source: Berger, B.R., Ayuso, R.A., Wynn, J.C., and Seal, R.R., 2008, Preliminary model of porphyry copper deposits - U.S. Geological Survey Open-File Report 2008-1321, 55 p.

Figure 9 – Cross section of a porphyry deposit illustrating idealised alteration zoning (after Lowell and Gilbert, 1970).

APPENDIX 1 – SIGNIFICANT INTERSECTIONS

The following table summarises the significant intersections for holes ALN001 and ALE001 above the indicated cut-off grades.

Significant intersections table

BHID	From (m)	To (m)	Length (m) ²	Au (g/t)	Cu (%)	Mo (ppm)	Cut-off ³	Hole Width ⁴
ALN001	268.5	269.6	1.1	0	20	1	Au > 0.1ppm	NQ2
ALN001	286.2	287.0	0.8	0.02	122	4	Au > 0.1ppm	NQ2
ALN001	290.9	292.0	1.1	0	25	1	Au > 0.1ppm	NQ2
ALN001	301.0	302.0	1.0	0.02	111	1	Au > 0.1ppm	NQ2
ALN001	305.0	306.0	1.0	0	117	2	Au > 0.1ppm	NQ2
ALN001	471.8	472.8	1.0	<0.01	15	157	Mo > 100ppm	NQ2
ALN001	472.8	473.8	1.0	<0.01	13	297	Mo > 100ppm	NQ2
ALN001	393.8	394.4	0.6	<0.01	1100	2	Cu > 0.1%	NQ2

ALE001	414.4	415.4	1.0	0	11	<1	Au > 0.1ppm	NQ2
ALE001	415.4	416.4	1.0	0.02	11	1	Au > 0.1ppm	NQ2
ALE001	417.4	418.4	1.0	0	10	1	Au > 0.1ppm	NQ2
ALE001	418.4	419.4	1.0	0.02	12	<1	Au > 0.1ppm	NQ2
ALE001	422.4	423.4	1.0	0	16	2	Au > 0.1ppm	NQ2
ALE001	437.0	438.0	1.0	0.02	30	<1	Au > 0.1ppm	NQ2

BHID	Easting (m MGA)	Northing (m MGA)	Elevation (m RL)	Azimuth	Dip
ALN001	544311	6400593	115.2	305	-70
ALE001	565496	6419999	120	290	-70

1. Geodetic Datum Australia (GDA94), projection Map Grid of Australia (MGA), Zone 54, Australia Height Datum (AHD)
2. Mineralisation orientation and true width is yet to be determined
3. Cut-off grades for inclusion in this table as significant intersections
4. NQ was sampled as half core

Table 1 - Significant Intersections.



APPENDIX 2 - JORC 2012 EDITION TABLE 1

APPROVED LOCH LILLY DRILLING PROGRAMME

The following information follows the requirements of JORC 2012 Table 1 Sections 1, 2 and as applicable for ASX Report related to the Loch Lilly drilling programme.

Section 1 - Sampling Techniques and Data

Criteria	Commentary
Sampling techniques	Drillholes were sampled based on observed mineralisation or intensity of alteration. Two holes were drilled. PCD collared PQ ¼ core, HQ ½ and NQ ½ core were used for sample submittal. Samples were generally constrained to >0.6 m or <1.4 m interval lengths with an average sample length of 1 m. A minimal amount of samples were taken with interval lengths <0.6 m due to rock condition or stratigraphic constraints.
Drilling techniques	Diamond drilling utilised PQ collars, HQ drilling to Base of Oxidation (BOO) and NQ to depth. The drill string was configured with a triple tube 3 m barrel and wireline/overshot setup.
Drill sample recovery	Recovery is recorded by the geologist or field geotechnician. PCD was utilised at the collar due to the thick cover sequence, recovery was minimal. Triple tube is permanently being employed to maintain core integrity
Logging	Geological logging was conducted to a high standard via graphic and digital logging noting lithology, mineralisation, alteration and structure with associated degrees of intensity. Logging was undertaken using both qualitative and quantitative methods accompanied with wet and dry core photography, and sampling for type section litho-geochemistry. Core was oriented when recovered and logged in full.
Sub-sampling techniques and sample separation	Drillholes were sampled on observed mineralisation or intensity of alteration. PQ ¼ core, HQ ½ core and NQ ½ core was used for sample submittal. Samples were constrained to >0.6 m or <1.4 m interval lengths with an average sample length of 1 m. A minimal amount of samples were taken with interval lengths <0.6 m due to rock condition or stratigraphic constraints. Assay and preparation will be carried out by ALS Global Orange and ALS Global Brisbane. 2-3 kg samples were crushed using a jaw crusher, riffle split, and pulverized to produce a 250 g sample for various analytical methods.
Quality of assay data and laboratory tests	Samples were digested with a 4-acid total digest (hydrochloric, perchloric, nitric and hydrofluoric acids). Samples were assayed using ICP-AES for: Ag, Al, As, Ba, Be, Bi, Ca, Cd, Ce, Co, Cr, Cu, Fe, Ga, K, La, Li, Mg, Mn, Mo, Na, Ni, P, Pb, S, Sb, Sc, Sr, Th, Ti, Tl, U, V, W, Zn, Zr. Any samples over detection limit were re-assayed using 4-acid digest with ICP-AES finish. Au was quantified using a 30g charge with fire assay and AAS finish. Any over-limit samples were assayed via dilution.
Verification of sampling and assaying	Argent and ALS Global employ independent QAQC assay checks. Argent employs coarse crush, fine crush and pulp duplicates, blanks and 2 types of CRM's inserted at a ratio of 1:10. All drillhole information is stored graphically and digitally in excel format. Assay results span low-level, high-level and ore-grade amounts, which have been reported in a homogenised format.
Location of data points	All data used in this Report are in: Datum: Geodetic Datum of Australia 94 (GDA94) Projection: Map Grid of Australia (MGA) Zone: Zone 54 Collar positions were recorded by handheld GPS. Topographic control was gained using government DTM data with handheld GPS check.



Data spacing and distribution	<p><u>Drilling</u></p> <p>The closest available drill holes for each project area include the following:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Hole ID</th> <th>Prospect</th> <th>Grid</th> <th>Easting</th> <th>Northing</th> <th>EOH (m)</th> <th>RL (m)</th> <th>Dip 0°</th> <th>Az 0°</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>EHK2</td> <td>Netley</td> <td>MGA94_54</td> <td>543521.85</td> <td>6398568.7</td> <td>197.5</td> <td>116</td> <td>-60</td> <td>328</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NBH007</td> <td>Netley</td> <td>MGA94_54</td> <td>544296.85</td> <td>6401568.7</td> <td>155.85</td> <td>115</td> <td>-90</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NBH009</td> <td>Kudgee</td> <td>MGA94_54</td> <td>546851.82</td> <td>6382491.7</td> <td>267.2</td> <td>99</td> <td>-90</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NBH010</td> <td>Kudgee</td> <td>MGA94_54</td> <td>542577.8</td> <td>6378397.7</td> <td>166.8</td> <td>105</td> <td>-90</td> <td>0</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Hole ID</th> <th>Prospect</th> <th>Grid</th> <th>Easting</th> <th>Northing</th> <th>EOH (m)</th> <th>RL (m)</th> <th>Dip 0°</th> <th>Az 0°</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>EHK1</td> <td>Eaglehaw k</td> <td>MGA94_54</td> <td>556761</td> <td>6411898</td> <td>129.5</td> <td>116</td> <td>-60</td> <td>328</td> </tr> <tr> <td>EHK3</td> <td>Eaglehaw k</td> <td>MGA94_54</td> <td>565271</td> <td>6419578</td> <td>306</td> <td>116</td> <td>-60</td> <td>328</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NBH004</td> <td>Eaglehaw k</td> <td>MGA94_54</td> <td>564737</td> <td>6420401</td> <td>195.3</td> <td>114</td> <td>-90</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NBH005</td> <td>Eaglehaw k</td> <td>MGA94_54</td> <td>563996</td> <td>6418950</td> <td>186.8</td> <td>114</td> <td>-90</td> <td>0</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Hole ID	Prospect	Grid	Easting	Northing	EOH (m)	RL (m)	Dip 0°	Az 0°	EHK2	Netley	MGA94_54	543521.85	6398568.7	197.5	116	-60	328	NBH007	Netley	MGA94_54	544296.85	6401568.7	155.85	115	-90	0	NBH009	Kudgee	MGA94_54	546851.82	6382491.7	267.2	99	-90	0	NBH010	Kudgee	MGA94_54	542577.8	6378397.7	166.8	105	-90	0	Hole ID	Prospect	Grid	Easting	Northing	EOH (m)	RL (m)	Dip 0°	Az 0°	EHK1	Eaglehaw k	MGA94_54	556761	6411898	129.5	116	-60	328	EHK3	Eaglehaw k	MGA94_54	565271	6419578	306	116	-60	328	NBH004	Eaglehaw k	MGA94_54	564737	6420401	195.3	114	-90	0	NBH005	Eaglehaw k	MGA94_54	563996	6418950	186.8	114	-90	0
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Section 2 - Reporting of Exploration Results

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COMPETENT PERSON STATEMENTS

Previously Released Information

This ASX announcement contains information extracted from the following reports which are available for viewing on the Company's website <http://www.argentminerals.com.au> :

- 20 February 2017 Argent secures strategic stake in Mt. Read equivalent belt¹
- 12 July 2017 Argent commences Loch Lilly drilling programme¹

Competent Person:

1. Clifton Todd McGilvray

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

Exploration Results

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Mr. Clifton Todd McGilvray who is a member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, an employee of Argent, and who has sufficient experience relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activities being undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves' (JORC Code). Mr. McGilvray consents to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on the information in the form and context in which it appears.