## Delivering critical technology metals to the EV evolution



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The potential quantity and grade of the Exploration Target is conceptual in nature. There has been insufficient exploration completed in the areas of the Exploration Target and it is uncertain if further exploration will result in the estimation of a Mineral Resource.

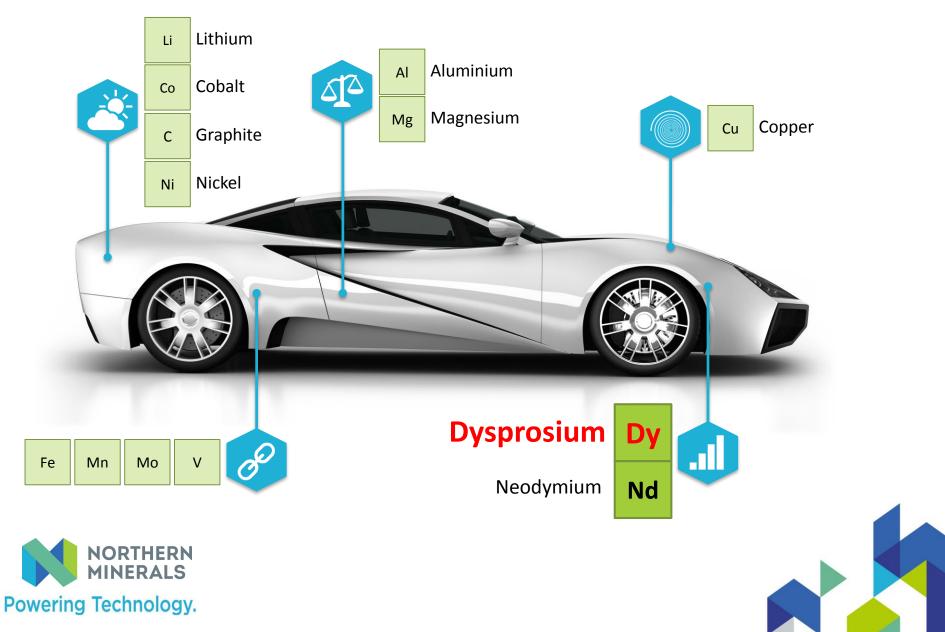
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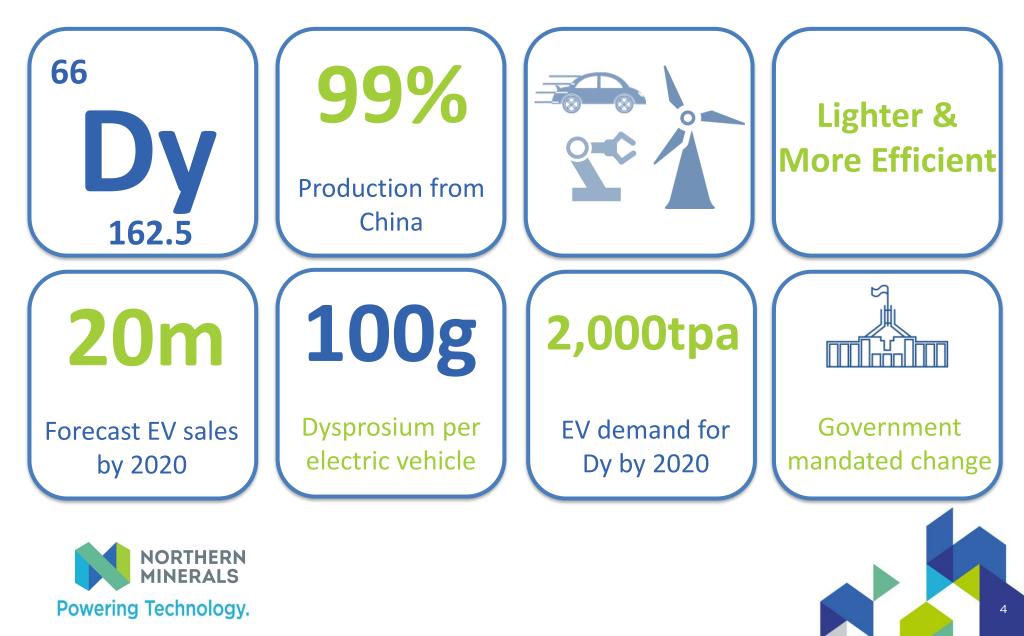
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## Electric Vehicles – Not just a lithium story!

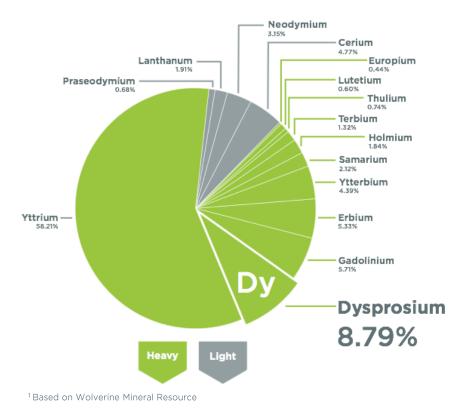


## Dysprosium



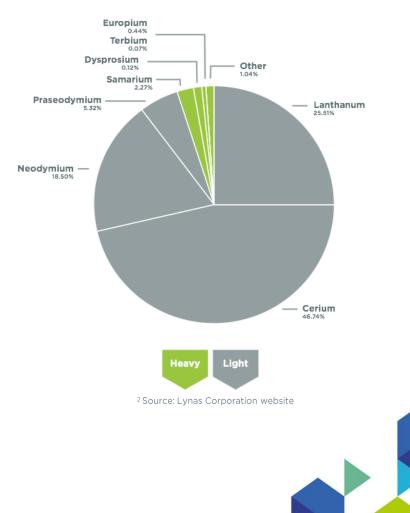
## Northern Minerals Browns Range

### Rare earth distribution<sup>1</sup>



## Lynas Mt Weld

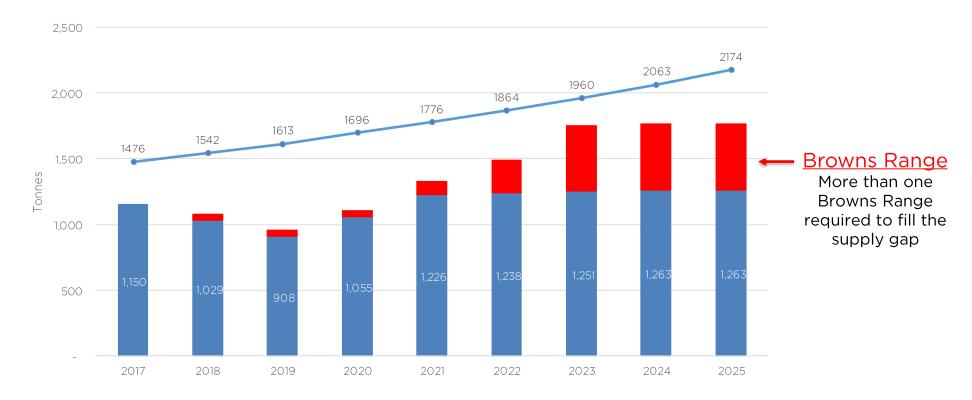
### Rare earth oxide composition <sup>2</sup>



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# Browns Range - Filling the Dysprosium supply gap





🦰 Forecast Dysprosium demand



Source: Adamus Intelligence, Northern Minerals



# HRE - sustainable pricing

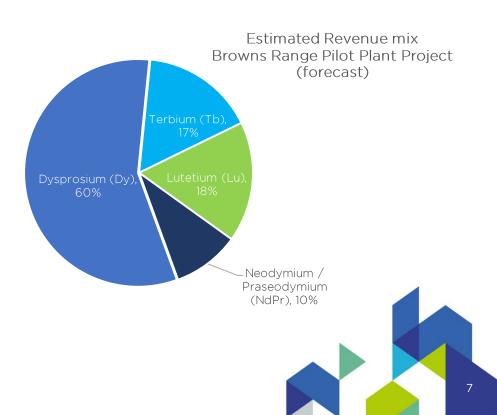




Terbium Oxide 99.9%min China US\$/kg 800 700 600 400 300 200 5/11/2012 5/11/2013 5/11/2014 5/11/2015 5/11/2016



Increased demand from new EV sales coupled with crackdown on illegal mining in China will positively impact prices



## Three stage approach to full scale production

# Stage 1Stage 2Stage 3TEST PILOT PLANTREFINE PROJECTBUILD FULL SCALE

- 10% of full scale capacity
- Production July 2018
- Develop, mining, processing & offtake experience
- 573tpa contained TREO
- 72ktpa capacity beneficiation plant
- 3,840tpa capacity hydrometallurgical plant

- Reduce mining cost modify mining method
- Boost production –
   increase head grade
- Develop premium product
   yttrium rejection
- Increase reserve drilling

- 585,000tpa operation
- 1,500,000kg TREO in a premium product
- Significant dysprosium supplier
- Initial 11 year life with significant upside

# measured . sustainable . achievable





In July 2017, Northern Minerals delivered first ore to the ROM Pad



In 2018, we will commence a new supply of heavy rare earths to the global market



## Mining now de-risked





### **Processing Plant**

Schedule

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Sales Agreement

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Feasibility



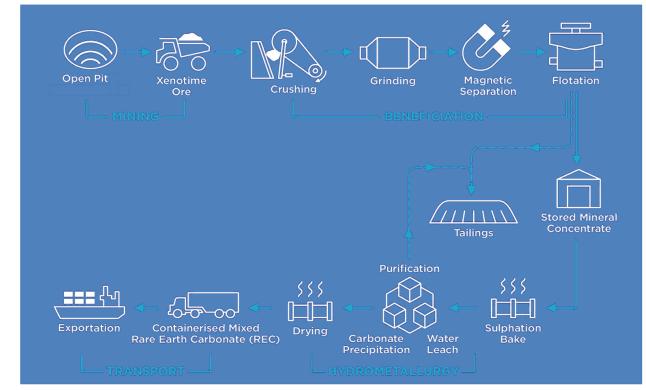
Project Component: Open Pit Mining

Contractor: MACA Limited Production Target: 200,000t ore (revised)

Total Cost: A\$6 million

Status: Mining commenced June 2017 Ore mining volumes revised from 180kt to 200kt Entire mining project to be completed in November 2017 10

# Pilot Plant Flowsheet



Feasibility

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Project Component: Modular processing plant Contractor: Sinosteel MECC

Annual Production: 60,000tpa (based on 10 operating months per year) Capital Cost: A\$39 million

## Status:

Well advanced in China Transport to site underway



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# Pilot Plant Equipment





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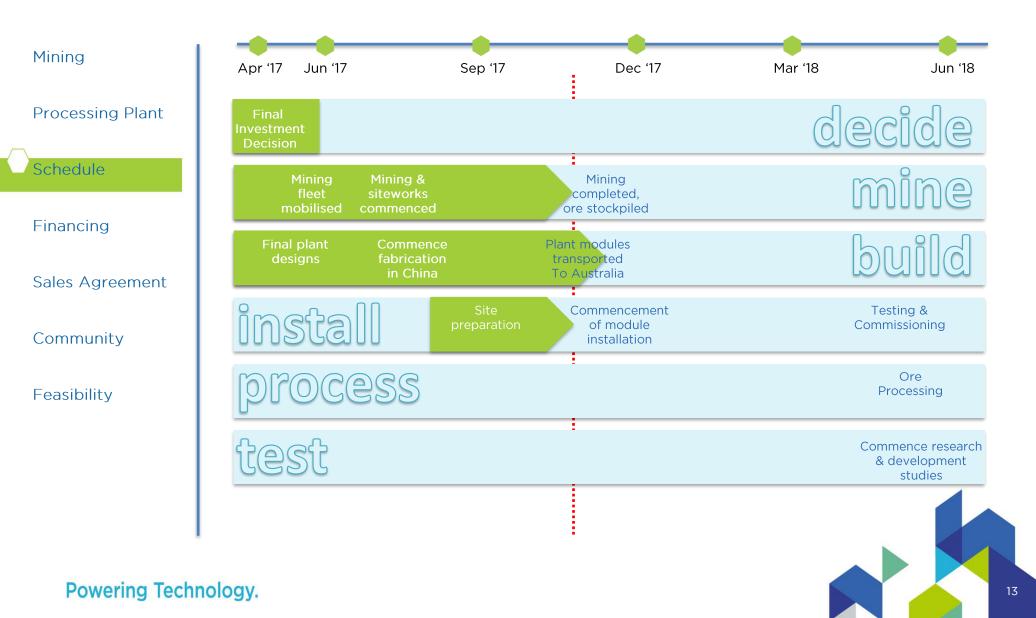




Fabrication works nearing completion in China

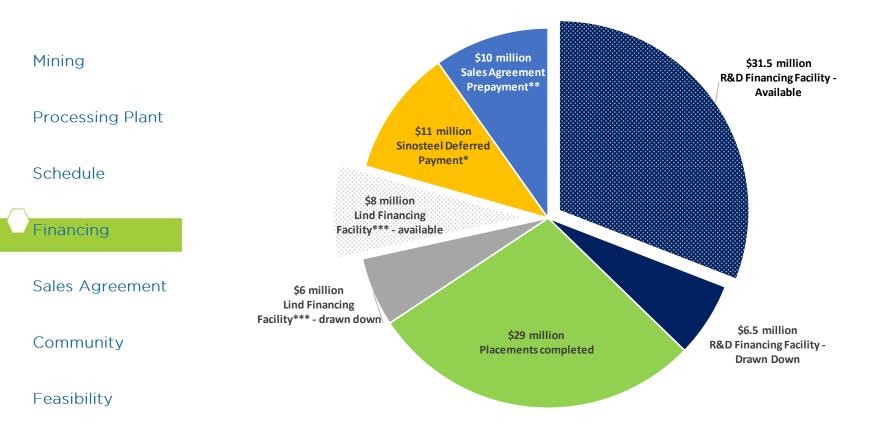


# Project development schedule





# Pilot Plant financing



\* Sinosteel MECC has agreed to defer 20% of its contract amount for 24 months, with the ability to convert into Northern Minerals' shares at a conversion price of the lessor of \$0.15 per share or 20 day VWAP prior to conversion notice

\*\* JFMAG has agreed to prepay \$10m (expected payment Q1 2018). JFMAG will be issued 40m unlisted options upon receipt of the loan advance with a \$0.25 exercise price.

\*\*\* Northern Minerals has drawn down \$6m of a \$14m financing facility.

## Secure sales agreement



Mining

**Processing Plant** 

Schedule

100% of Browns Range Pilot Plant production to be purchased by Lianyugang Zeyu New Materials Sales Co Ltd (JFMAG), a 51% owned subsidiary of Guangdong Rare Earths Group.

## Financing

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- Terms based off CIF Incoterms 2010 with pricing referenced from a 2-month average of quoted prices on Asian Metals and Beijing Ruidow Information Technology.
- Includes A\$10 million pre-payment, receivable in early 2018 and 40 million unlisted options at \$0.25 exercise price.
- Representative to join Northern Minerals' Board upon receipt of funds.

Direct shipping route from Wyndham or Darwin to Lianyungang, China

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# Training-to-Work Facility





- Northern Minerals has partnered with The Wunan Foundation for the establishment of an \$8.1 million indigenous training-to-work facility at Browns Range.
- The Federal Government, under the Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF) has provided funding of \$4.8 million towards the programme.
- Construction of the facility will commence soon.

# Pilot Plant feasibility



## Mining ٠ **Processing Plant** development. Schedule Mining and ore variability; Financing Flowsheet and recovery optimisation; Sales Agreement Transport and shipping logistics; Community End user product specifications; and

## **Feasibility**

- The three-year pilot project has been designed to assess the technical and economic feasibility of the proposed full-scale
- Key aspects of assessment during the Pilot Plant phase:

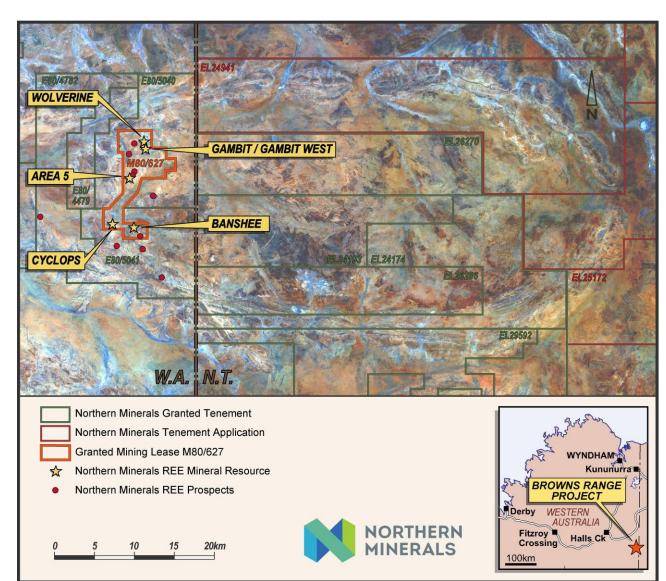
Water and environmental considerations:

- Long term dysprosium market dynamics.
- These determining factors will be incorporated into an updated feasibility study for the proposed full-scale operation.



# Blue Sky potential





The Browns Range dome is a massive geological feature covering 1,500km<sup>2</sup> and stretching 60km x
30km most of which hasn't been effectively explored

- JORC Resource supporting an 11 year full scale operation
- Exploration target to add additional
   9 years of JORC Resources
- 170 defined targets yet to be drilled
- John Galt and Boulder Ridge Additional HRE projects with upside potential

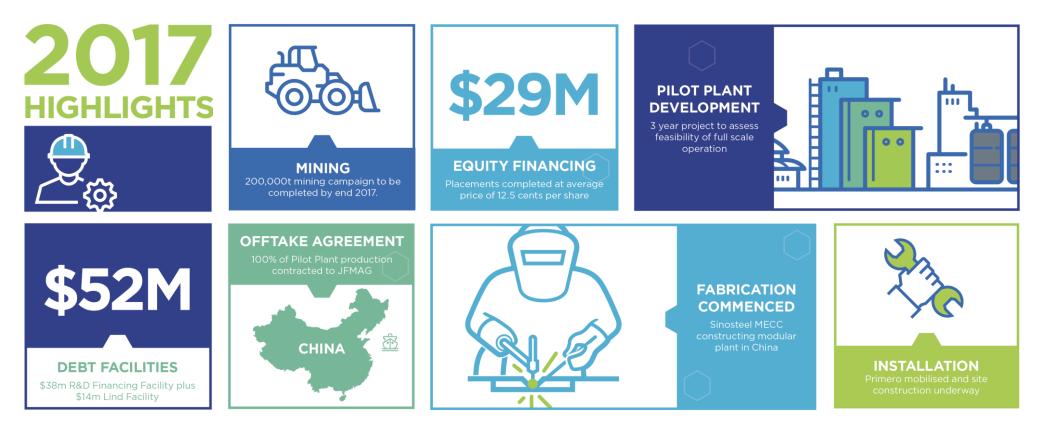


# Key Personnel and Partners



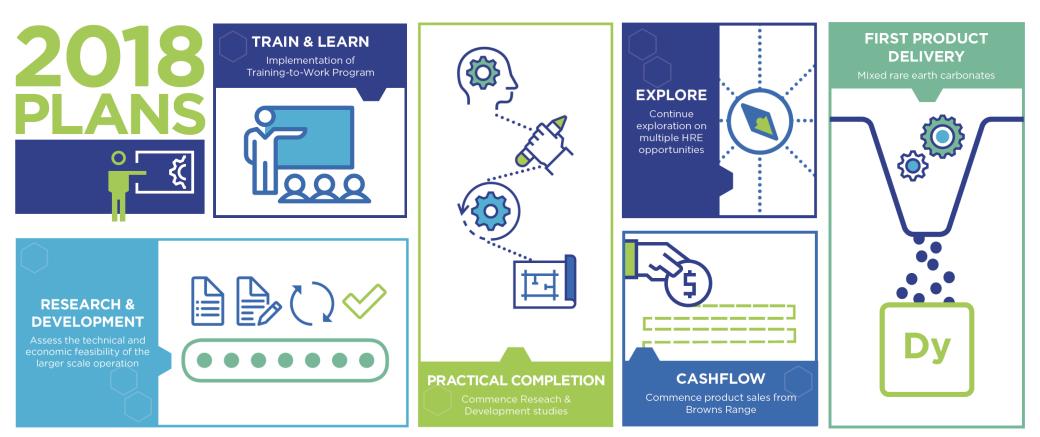
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# Key Highlights





# 2018 - Delivering on potential





## **Corporate Overview**



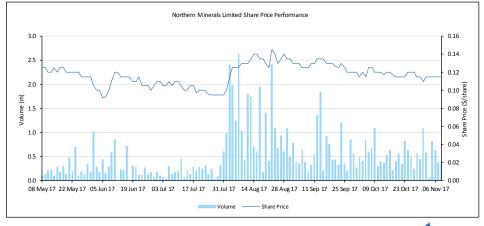


Major shareholders	31 October 2017
ACIIG	25.0%
Huatai Mining	20.4%
Jien Mining	3.4%
Board & Management	2.3%
Remaining Top 20	22.1%
Other	26.8%

# Market capitalisation \$92M

#### (at 9 November 2017 @ \$0.115)

Ordinary Shares	798M
Options and Performance Rights	72M
Cash (30 September 2017)	\$5.0M
12 month low - high	\$0.092 -\$0.16
Average daily volume (12 month avg)	488,000
Average daily volume (3 month avg)	678,000







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# Appendices





# Heavy rare earths crucial to growth of electric vehicle sector



- NdDyFeB permanent magnets used by major electric vehicle (EV) manufacturers require Dysprosium and Terbium as key additives for high performance
- Changing policy settings by European governments and future development plans by global carmakers have resulted in demand for EVs reaching an inflection point
- Permanent magnets account for 25% of rare earth demand in tonnes and 80% in value and the increasing rate of market acceptance has translated into significantly higher prices for heavy rare earth elements specifically
- UBS has increased forecasts on EV production as a consequence of earlier than expected EV cost parity, with EV sales expected to grow from 1.2 million in 2015 to >20 million by 2020
- Each electric vehicle contains approximately 100g of Dysprosium





## Browns Range – A Seven Year Journey

\$38m R&D Financing Facility executed

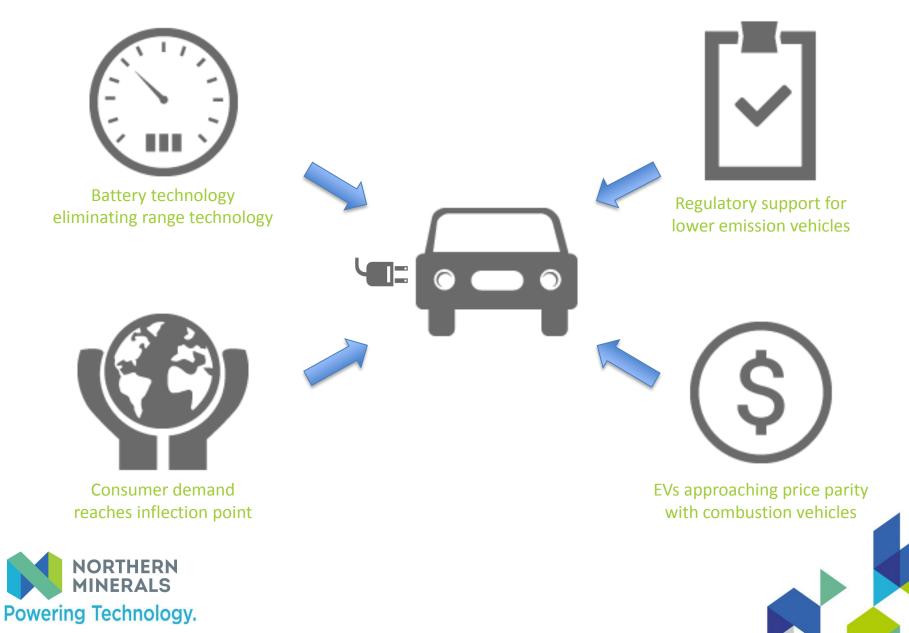
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	DISCOVERY	EXPLORATION	EVALU	ATION AND APPF	ROVALS	DFS	NEW PLAN	DEVELOPMEN	іт
	NTU shifts focus to HRE John Galt acquisition Rock Chip samples Bench scale NAGROM benefication results	Maiden drilling campaign at Browns Range	Bench scale NAGROM/ ANSTO hydro- metallurgy results Maiden JORC Resource released	Discovery of Boulder Ridge Upgraded JORC Resource \$26 million capital raised	80t bulk sample processed Maiden JORC Ore Reserve EPA approval granted Mining Licence granted Native Title agreement Pre-Feasilbility Study finished JORC Resource doubled	Definitive Feasibility Study released	Divestment of non-core HRE assets Commitment to the new three stage Business Plan Pilot Plant Project approved for Browns Range	<ul> <li>\$14m Lind Facility executed</li> <li>Fabrication commenced in China</li> <li>Mining starts at Browns Range</li> <li>Financial Investment Decision (Pilot Plant)</li> <li>Offtake Agreement signed with JFMAG</li> <li>\$29.0 million capital raised</li> </ul>	



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# Global EV growth drivers



# EV acceptance reaches inflection point in 2017



## Chinese carmakers to dominate EV production



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## Mineral Resources



Deposit	Category	Mt	TREO	Dy <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Tb₄O <sub>7</sub>	HREO	TREO	
				Kg/t	Kg/t	Kg/t		Kg	
Wolverine	Indicated	2.99	0.83	0.73	4.86	O.11	89	24,952,000	
	Inferred	1.97	0.89	0.76	5.13	O.11	88	17,609,000	
	Total <sup>1</sup>	4.97	0.86	0.74	4.97	O.11	89	42,560,000	
Gambit West	Indicated	0.27	1.26	1.07	7.06	0.14	90	3,424,000	
	Inferred	0.12	0.64	0.54	3.67	0.07	85	753,000	
	Total <sup>1</sup>	0.39	1.07	0.91	6.04	0.12	89	4,177,000	
Gambit	Indicated	0.05	1.06	0.92	6.62	0.12	97	533,000	
	Inferred	0.06	1.2	1.01	6.8	0.15	95	671,000	
	Total <sup>1</sup>	O.11	1.13	0.97	6.72	0.13	96	1,204,000	
Area 5	Indicated	1.38	0.29	0.18	1.27	0.03	69	3,953,000	
	Inferred	0.14	0.27	O.17	1.17	0.03	70	394,000	
	Total <sup>1</sup>	1.52	0.29	O.18	1.26	0.03	69	4,347,000	
Cyclops	Indicated	-	~	-	-	-	-	-	
	Inferred	0.33	0.27	0.18	1.24	0.03	70	891,000	
	Total <sup>1</sup>	0.33	0.27	0.18	1.24	0.03	70	891,000	
Banshee	Indicated	-	-	-		-	-	-	
	Inferred	1.66	0.21	O.16	1.17	0.02	87	3,484,000	
	Total <sup>1</sup>	1.66	0.21	0.16	1.17	0.02	87	3,484,000	
Total <sup>1</sup>	Indicated	4.69	0.70	0.59	3.95	0.09	87	32,862,000	
	Inferred	4.28	0.56	0.46	3.15	0.07	87	23,802,000	
	Total <sup>1</sup>	8.98	0.63	0.53	3.56	0.08	87	56,663,000	

<sup>1</sup> – Rounding may cause some computational discrepancies (TREO (metal) tonnes estimated from Mt x TREO%)

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## Ore Reserves

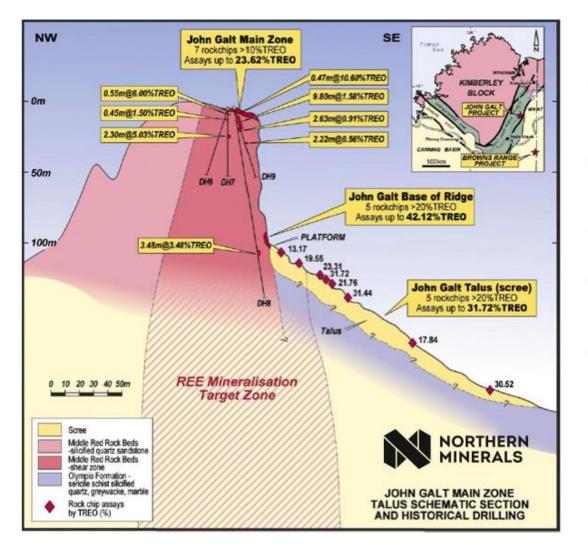


		TREO		Dy <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>		Tb₄O <sub>7</sub>		Y <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>		
Deposit	Classification	Ore Tonnes	kg/t	kg Contained	kg/t	kg Contained	kg/t	kg Contained	kg/t	kg Contained
OPEN PIT										
Wolverine	Probable	833,000	6.15	5,124,000	0.55	460,000	0.08	66,000	3.59	2,989,000
Gambit West	Probable	219,000	10.10	2,212,000	0.83	182,000	O.11	25,000	5.52	1,209,000
Gambit	Probable	37,000	8.05	298,000	0.68	25,000	0.09	3,000	4.74	176,000
Area 5	Probable	467,000	2.24	1,048,000	0.14	65,000	0.02	10,000	0.99	463,000
UNDERGROUN	D									
Wolverine	Probable	2,104,000	8.00	16,833,000	0.70	1,483,000	0.10	221,000	4.71	9,908,000
Gambit West	Probable	90,000	9.54	860,000	0.88	79,000	O.11	10,000	5.78	521,000
RESERVE										
Total	Probable <sup>1</sup>	3,750,000	7.03	26,375,000	0.61	2,294,000	0.09	335,000	4.07	15,266,000

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# Beyond Browns Range: John Galt MINERALS

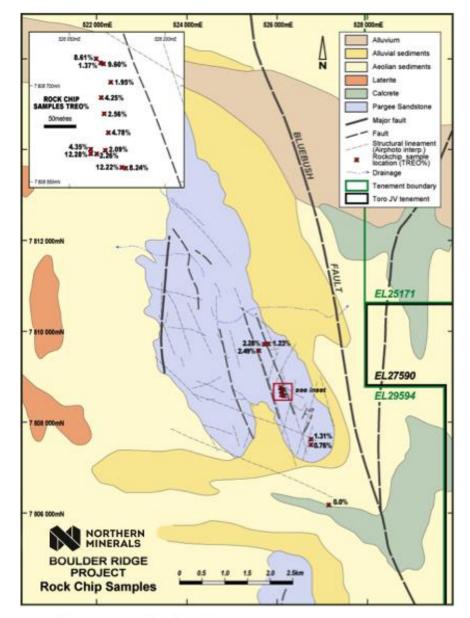


- Rock chip samples up to 42% TREO with approximately 95% Heavy REO
- Preliminary metallurgical tests indicate excellent recovery rates (>90%)
- Potential for concentrate grades >40%
- High grade mineralisation in talus (scree) material
- Hard-rock source of scree is the primary target



## Beyond Browns Range: Boulder Ridge





- Rock chip samples from the Boulder Ridge project confirm high-grade Heavy Rare Earths (HRE)
- Best results exceed 12% TREO, including up to 1.15% Dysprosium, with a dominance of HRE – up to 99%.
- Reinforces significant growth potential in Browns Range and Tanami regions.



# Pilot plant: targeted production

- Mixed RE carbonate (REC) produced
- Product specification available for REC
- REC samples validated by several downstream separators
- REC suitable for solvent extraction separation
- Low thorium and uranium levels

REO contained in mixed RE carbonate	Annual production (000s kg)
Lanthanum	5.8
Cerium	15.2
Praseodymium	2.8
Neodymium	10.6
Samarium	11.4
Europium	2.4
Gadolinium	34.8
Terbium	6.7
Dysprosium	49.4
Holmium	13.5
Erbium	39.3
Thulium	5.6
Ytterbium	33.1
Lutetium	4.5
Yttrium	337.6
Total TREO produced	573
Total carbonate produced	1,100
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# NTU Board





Nan Yang

McCavana

Adrian George Griffin Bauk

Cai

#### Colin McCavana - Non-executive Chairman (appointed 2006)

Mr McCavana has more than 35 years of management experience worldwide in the earthworks, construction and mining industries.

#### George Bauk - Managing Director / CEO (appointed 2010)

George is an experienced executive, with over 25 years' experience in the resources industry. Prior to Northern Minerals, George held global operational and corporate roles with WMC Resources, Arafura Resources and Indago Resources. Mr Bauk is Vice President of the Chamber of Minerals and Energy, WA.

#### Adrian Griffin - Non-executive Director (appointed 2006)

An Australian trained mining professional with exposure to metal mining and processing throughout the world, Mr Griffin has been involved in the development of extraction technology for platinum group metals and agricultural commodities.

#### Nan Yang - Non-executive Director (appointed 2017)

Mr Yang is an Australian mining engineer with more than 10 years' experience in mine planning, design, and mergers and acquisitions.

#### Yanchung Wang - Non-executive Director (not in photo) (appointed 2013)

Ms Wang acts as a strategic investor for a number of Chinese based companies. Ms Wang is Vice Chairman of Conglin Baoyuan International Investment Group and also a Director of Huachen.

### Bin Cai - Non-executive Director (alternate) (appointed 2013)

Bin is the MD of Conglin International Investment Group Pty Ltd based in Brisbane. He has a record of successful strategic investments in emerging Australian resources companies.

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## Executive Team





#### Mark Tory Chief Financial Officer

Mark is a Chartered Accountant with 25 years of professional experience in the mining industry and accounting professions. Prior to Northern Minerals, Mark held senior positions at Crescent Gold Limited, Anglo American Exploration and Homestake Gold (now Barrick Gold).

#### Robin Jones Chief Operating Officer

Robin has more than 20 years experience in the mining industry, the majority of which has been in the assessment and development of resource projects from scoping study level through to operation. Robin has held senior management positions in PGM, nickel, copper, gold and uranium projects in Australia, RSA and China.



#### Robin Wilson Exploration Manager

Robin has held senior exploration positions in several exploration and mining companies, including Polaris Metals, Tanganyika Gold, Troy Resources and CRA Exploration. In addition, he spent 5 years working in oil and gas exploration for Woodside Energy.

Robin was instrumental in the discovery of the Browns Range Project, including Wolverine and Gambit West.



#### Christopher Lee Resident Manager

Chris is a degree qualified mining engineer with almost 30 years' experience predominately in open cut gold and iron ore mining operations through Western Australia. He has extensive mine design, planning, scheduling and management capabilities and is a key addition to our management team.



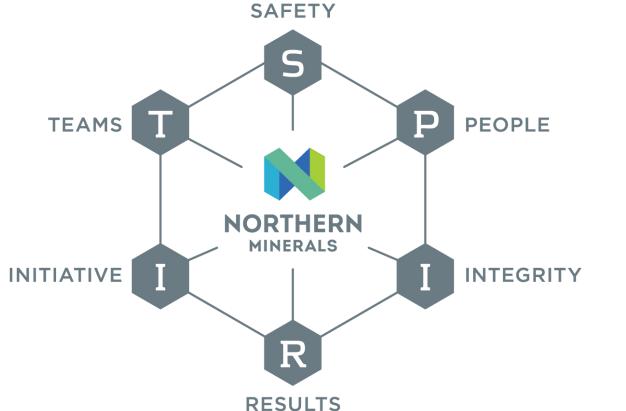
#### Eben Van Rooyen Project Manager

Mr Van Rooyen is a Project Manager with an electrical and mechanical engineering background with more than 35 years experience in the mining industry. Eben has significant gold industry experience in brownfields projects from concept and feasibility through to commissioning.



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