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#### **BEM – CORPORATE SNAPSHOT**

**BlackEarth Minerals (ASX:BEM)** is a minerals development company led by a team of mining experts that have identified growing trends in graphite demand.

CAPITAL STRUCTURE			
ASX Code	BEM		
Fully Paid Shares	113m		
Share Price (2/09/2019)	\$0.06		
Market Cap (@ \$0.07)	\$6.8m		
Cash (30/06/19)	\$1.36m*		

BOARD OF DIRECTORS & MANAGEMENT						
Phil Hearse	Non-Executive Chairman	Tracy Harris	Financial Controller			
Tom Revy	Managing Director	Annick Manfrino	Manager – Geology & Competent Person, Geology			
George Bauk	Non-Executive Director	Jean Luc Marquetoux	Country Manager – Madagascar			
Simon Storm	Company Secretary & CFO	Eileen Hao	GM - China			

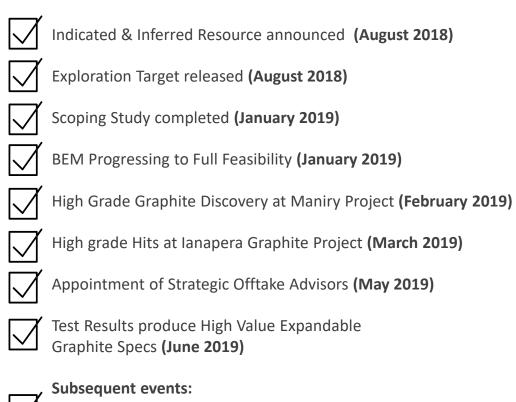
<sup>\*</sup>Subsequent event: BEM raised \$1.68M – announced ASX 22 August 2019



# MANIRY GRAPHITE PROJECT MADAGASCAR



## BEM'S FINANCIAL YEAR REPORT CARD



Positive spherical graphite results (August 2019)

Positive graphite purification results (September 2019)

Off-take discussions (On-going)



## **7 FACTORS FOR MINING SUCCESS Land Tenure** Infrastructure • Maniry Graphite **Project** Resource, mining Financial Return and process °O BlackEarth Minerals NL **Product**





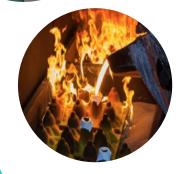
# BEM'S KEY GRAPHITE MARKETS



**BATTERIES** – Forecasted for a high growth future, as demand for electric vehicles and energy storage is set to continually increase



**EXPANDABLES** – Fire retardant building materials which includes expandable graphite is forecasted to reach approximately \$400m by 2026; other areas include graphite foils and specialised gaskets



**REFRACTORIES** – Graphite is a mainstay component used in crucibles/refractories, steel production and lubricants



## LARGE FLAKE GRAPHITE PRODUCT

#### **Final Concentrate Size and Grade Distribution**

Flake Size		Mesh	Master Composite	
	(microns)		Mass (%)	TGC (%)
Super Jumbo	>500	38	2.8	95.8
Jumbo	300 - 500	50 - 38	17.3 <b>50%</b>	96.1
Large	180 - 300	80 - 50	29.8	95.6
Medium	150 - 180	100 - 80	9.1	95.0
Small	75 - 150	200 - 100	23.6	96.8
Fine	<75	-100	17.4	96.1

**High value product** 

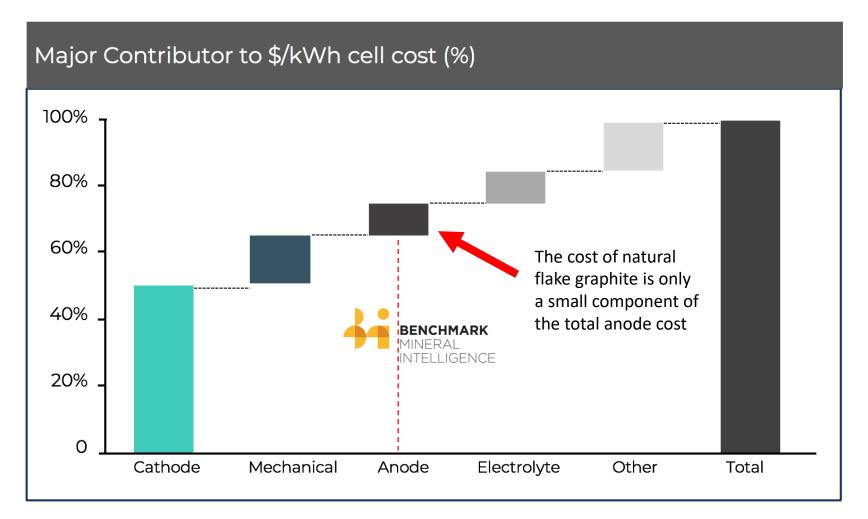


#### **BATTERIES - RAW MATERIAL REVOLUTION**



Source: Benchmark Mineral Intelligence

#### **BATTERIES HOW SIGNIFICANT IS THE COST OF GRAPHITE?**





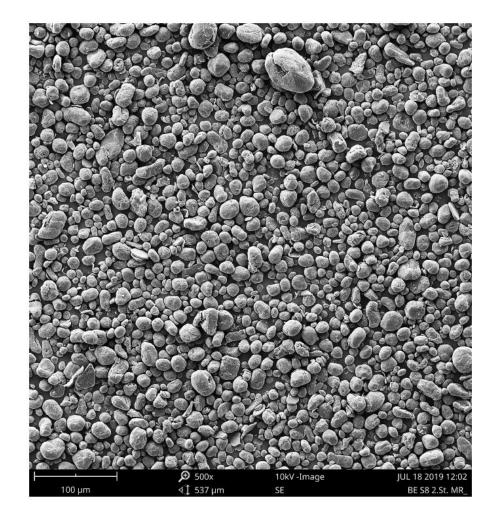
#### **BATTERIES BEM COMPLIES WITH OFF-TAKERS SPECS**

## Maniry Project Meets Spherical Graphite Market Specifications ASX Release 12 August 2019

- Spherical graphite from the Maniry project has met specification consistent with those required by lithium-ion anode material manufacturers
- Spherical graphite production yields of up to 52% achieved vs industry average 40%
- Positive feedback received from spherical graphite producers and anode material manufacturers in China

## Maniry Project Meets Anode Market Purification Specifications ASX Release 4 Sept 2019

- BlackEarth's Madagascan Maniry Project delivers high purity graphite anode material
- Initial test results achieved 99.97% exceeding the specifications needed for marketable battery grade graphite (99.95 wt.-% final carbon content)
- Potential off-takers request concentrate samples for confirmatory inhouse test work



#### **EXPANDABLE GRAPHITE BEM RESULTS**

- Based on the preliminary tests undertaken, the largest expansion volume achieved was 400 cm<sup>3</sup>/g which exceeded the industry benchmark rate of 250 cm<sup>3</sup>/g. The report states that "even larger expansion volumes should be possible", from further systematic tests to determine optimal processing conditions
- Key attributes towards producing an attractive expandable product including moisture, portion
  of volatile matter, loss on ignition (LOI), carbon content and ash content were all deemed positive
- The lack of hard minerals in the concentrate indicate a relatively **easy purification** of the flake graphite for the production of graphite foil, lubricants, etc
- The absence or very low content of CaCO<sub>3</sub> is an indication that the BEM flake graphite is suitable for the application in the refractory industry and for many other applications
- The report also stated that "The flake graphite flotation concentrate is well suited for the preparation of expandable graphite. **We could not find any restriction** which would limit the application of this kind of flake graphite".





#### **GEOPOLITICS MADAGASCAR**

- Over 100 years of graphite mining and international exports
- Full end-user acceptance as a source of quality graphite (China, India, USA, etc)
- Pro-mining jurisdiction with resource majors present (Rio Tinto, Scherritt, Total)
- Attractive fiscal regime with an attractive growth outlook (corporate tax rate 20%, mining royalty 2%);
- Mine ownership to 100%; no Government free carried interest
- Major global trading partners (export sales): China, US,
   France, Germany, Japan, Netherlands, UAE



CAPEX (2006) US\$5.5B (Above)

Source: Sumitomocorp.com



CAPEX (2009) US\$1B (Above)

Source: bara-ihorombe-madagascar.blogspot.com

### **GEOPOLITICS MADAGASCAR**

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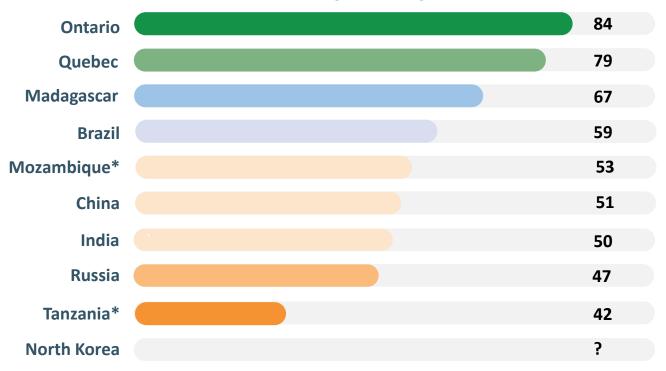
RISK SCORE = 67

"Low to Moderate Risk"

#### **FACT:**

Over 90% of graphite is produced from countries and regions considered "riskier" than Madagascar

#### **INVESTMENT RISK INDEX**

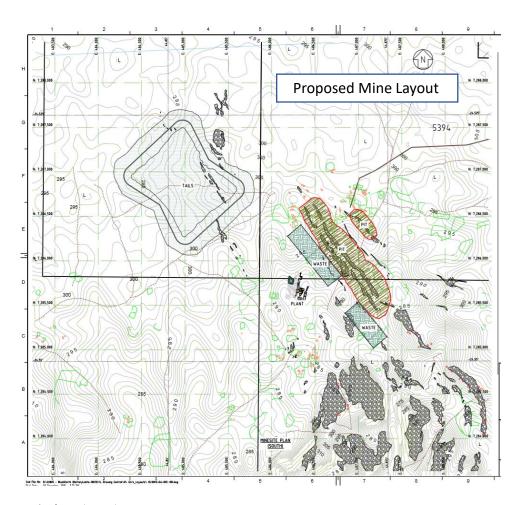


\*Exploration Hotspots



Source: 2018 Mining Journal World Risk Report

#### INVESTMENT CASE TECHNICAL VALUE



- Thorough understanding of geology, mineralogy & metallurgy
- Simple mining and processing to produce high value, high demand, coarse flake product, which is not competing with Chinese production
- Majority of the current resource sits on a 40 year mining lease
- Significant expansion potential at Maniry given BEM's tenement position and declared Exploration Target\* (260-380Mt at 6-8%TGC)
- The availability of key infrastructure
- Low capital expenditure requirement
- The current Project study outcomes highlight that the Maniry Project is a robust and financially attractive graphite project by global standards
- BEM has commenced offtake discussions and product test work in both China and Germany, as part of the feasibility study





## MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS & NEWS FLOW

- Completion of Bankable Feasibility Study (12 months)
- Second bulk pilot run at ALS Perth (near completion)
- Product testing (battery and expandable) (3 months)
- Offtake arrangements (2-7 months)
- Project finance (6 months 2019-20)
- Construction modular EPC (2020-21)
- Commissioning (2021)
- Further exploration successes ongoing



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