

# South Boulder Mines Ltd Annual General Meeting

**Paul Donaldson** Managing Director and CEO 29<sup>th</sup> May 2015

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## **Investment drivers**

South Boulder Mines owns 50% of the Colluli Mining Share Company (CMSC) and is working with its Joint Venture partner, the Eritrean National Mining Company (ENAMCO) to develop the Colluli Potash Project in Eritrea, East Africa. The project is 100% owned by CMSC.

## The Colluli project is positively unique. The investment drivers are:

- > Large resource containing over 1.2 billion tonnes of potassium bearing salts, suitable for the production of potash fertiliser an essential, non-substitutable source of potassium for plant growth
- > A unique potassium salt composition which allows the production of a diverse range of potash types
- > Composition is particularly favourable for the production of sulphate of potash (SOP) a high quality fertiliser that achieves a price premium over the more common potassium chloride
- > Economically viable resources for primary production of SOP are geologically scarce
- > Colluli has unrivalled access to the coast and is the closest SOP resource to a coastline anywhere in the world
- > Shallow mineralisation allows open cut mining which gives superior resource recovery relative to alternate mining methods.
- > High purity product Colluli SOP is at the top of the quality spectrum
- > Positive prefeasibility study results indicating lowest capital intensity and lowest operating costs for SOP production
- > Substantial project upside from rocksalt, gypsum and magnesium chloride
- > Experienced and capable management team with track record of delivery



# **Development focus**





## **Delivering on our commitments**

Strengthened balance sheet with two above market capital raisings Strengthened board composition with the appointment of John Fitzgerald Completed JORC 2012 compliant resource review on Colluli Delivered an economically robust PFS for production of SOP Submitted 70% of environmental baseline assessments Completed Technical review of PFS process design Initiated definitive feasibility study Initiated optimisation and pilot testing of DFS process design Generated high purity SOP samples for product marketing **Declared 1.1Bt Maiden Ore Reserve Appointed Head of Market Development** 

On track to complete DFS by Q3 2015



# Positive progress reflected in share price value accretion

| Capital Structure as at 26th May 2015 |         |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|---------|--|--|
| Ordinary shares on issue              | 168M    |  |  |
| Options on issue                      | 27M     |  |  |
| Share Price <sup>1</sup>              | \$0.38  |  |  |
| Undiluted Market Capitalisation       | \$64M   |  |  |
| Debt                                  | No debt |  |  |
| Cash <sup>1</sup>                     | \$9.5m  |  |  |
| Undiluted Enterprise Value            | \$54.5M |  |  |



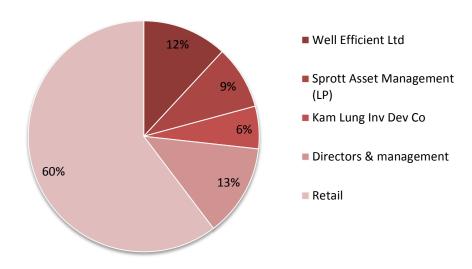


## **STB** corporate overview

| Major Shareholders              |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Well Efficient                  | 12% |
| Sprott Asset Management         | 9%  |
| Kam Lung Investment Development | 6%  |
| STB Management                  | 13% |
| Top 20 shareholders             | 63% |

### **Directors and Management Seamus Cornelius** Non Executive Chairman **Paul Donaldson Managing Director Tony Kiernan Non Executive Director** John Fitzgerald **Non Executive Director Liam Cornelius Non Executive Director Amy Just Company Secretary Stuart Tarrant Head of Finance Gordon Tainton Head of Market Development James Durrant Project Manager**

# STB Registry Composition 26 May 2015



- 2,926 shareholders in total
- 84% of shares held by 155



# Strengthening our board



# John Fitzgerald – Non Executive Director 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2015

- Experienced mining and finance industry executive
- Previously held senior positions at NM Rothschild and Sons, Investec Bank Australia, Commonwealth Bank and HSBC Precious Metals
- Non Executive Director of Northern Star Resources
   Ltd. And Chairman of Mungana Goldmines Ltd.



# The Colluli potash project – an unparalleled opportunity

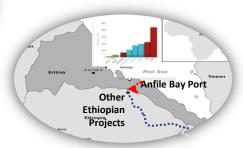
## Large resource

Strong support from government

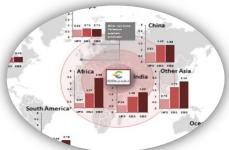




Unmatched proximity to coast



## **Positively Unique**



Close to proximity to key growth markets





Highest purity product

Lowest capital intensity and lowest operating costs



## **Potash overview**

Potash: generic term used to describe a variety of potassium bearing minerals and manufactured chemicals used primarily as fertiliser

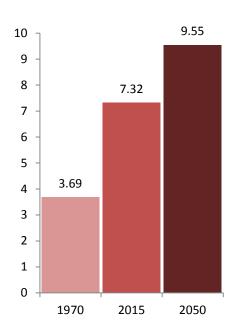
- Essential to the world's food supply
- No known substitute

## **Key Drivers**

- Global population growing at 80 million people per annum
- Reduction in arable land
- Calorific demand growing and dietary mix changing

More People = More Food = More Fertiliser = More Potash

# **Global Population versus time**Billion people





# Potash comes in a variety of types

- Potash types are differentiated by chemistry
- Availability of economic resources varies with potash type
- Potash prices are fundamentally different

| Potash type                                     | Abbreviated<br>name | Typical sale<br>price<br>(US\$/t) | Key Primary<br>Production Centres     | Abundance of resources suitable for exploitation |  |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| Potassium<br>chloride <sup>1</sup>              | МОР                 | 315                               | Canada, Russia,<br>Middle East, China | Very high  |  |
| Potassium<br>magnesium<br>sulphate <sup>2</sup> | SOP-M               | 400                               | United states                         | Very low   |  |
| Potassium<br>Sulphate <sup>3</sup>              | SOP                 | 720                               | United states, Chile,<br>China        | Very low   |  |
| Potassium Nitrate <sup>4</sup>                  | NOP                 | 900                               |                                       | Manufactured                                     |  |

Source: Company Announcements, Greenmarkets

1. FOB Vancouver, Standard

3. FOB Utah

2. FOB Carlsbad

4. California



# Colluli start up module focuses on SOP

Improves yields, quantity, taste and enhances shelf life

Especially valued for chloride sensitive crops, where it increases yields:

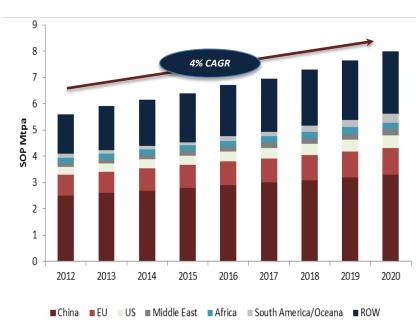
SOP is also highly valued in arid regions with low rainfall, and salinity affected soils



- Fruits
- Vegetables
- Nuts
- Tea
- Coffee
- Beans



## **SOP Demand growing strongly**

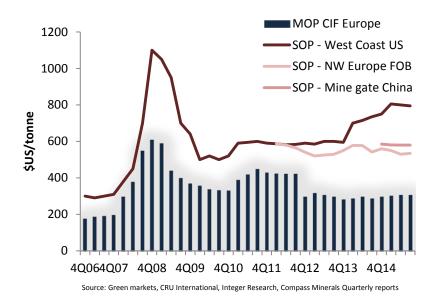


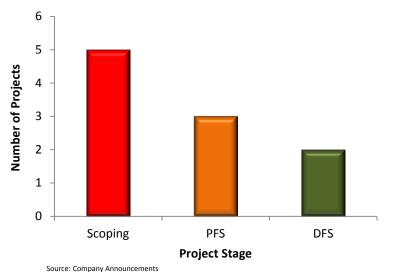
Source: Parthenon Analysis, EPM Mining

4 % CAGR and approx. 2 million tonnes of SOP growth projected over next decade



# SOP: Supply constrained market with limited greenfield developments





## **SOP Prices Up**

- While MOP prices have dropped since 2010,
   SOP prices in the US continue to climb and
   Europe remains stable at higher than
   historical premiums
- Since 2006, MOP prices have increased 72%
   while SOP prices have increased by <u>165%</u>

## Limited advanced projects (PFS or DFS)

- Only two greenfield SOP developments with completed DFS
- Only three greenfield projects with completed
   PFS (including Colluli)



## Colluli – a class of its own

✓

**Economically favourable prefeasibility study** 

**✓** 

Large, long life, expandable resource



Unrivalled proximity to coast



Colluli resource yields high purity, premium SOP



**Commercially proven process** 



Potassium salts are mined in solid form



**Lowest capital intensity and operating costs** 



Unmatched potash diversification potential



Excellent access to the key markets of the future



Stable and maturing mining jurisdiction

Positively Unique



## **Economically favourable PFS**

|  | Phase I | Phase II         | Phase III and beyond      |
|--|---------|------------------|---------------------------|
| <sup>1</sup> Project NPV <sub>10%</sub> (US\$m)              | 462     | 846              | Project will grow         |
| Project IRR (%)  | 22.3    | 24.7             | with market over time and |
| STB NPV <sub>10%</sub> (US\$m)                               | 206     | 397              | diversify product         |
| STB IRR (%)  | 22.3    | 25.9             | mix.                      |
| Development Capital (US\$m)                                  | 442     | 282 <sup>2</sup> |                           |
| Expected Module Capacity (tpa)                               | 425,000 | + 425,000        |                           |
| Average Mine Gate Cash Costs (US\$/t SOP)                    | 162     | 141              |                           |
| Production Commences   | Q3 2018 | Q3 2023          |                           |
| Expected mine life (years - based on Measured and Indicated) | 520     | 260              |                           |
| Undiscounted cumulative cash flow (US\$m)                    | 2,645   | 5,134            |                           |

Phase I has been modelled as a standalone project and is an attractive investment in itself.

Phase II calculated with the second module commencing in 2023, with volumes in addition to Phase I.

Note: PFS for EPM Mining modelled US\$716/tonne SOP [Source: EPM Mining N43-101 PFS report]

Note: DFS for IC Ochoa modelled at \$618/tonne SOP [Source: IC Ochoa N43-101 Feasibility report]

Note: Colluli Project NPV10% @ US\$700/tonne = US\$689m Phase I (28.3% IRR) and US\$1,205m (30.5% IRR) Phase II



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Modelled at long term SOP price of US\$588/tonne

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Incremental additional capital

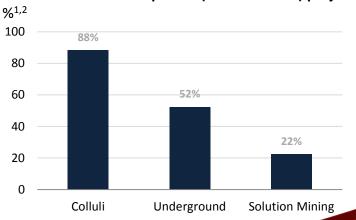
# Large, long life, expandable resource

- 1.1Bt Ore Reserve
  - > 287 million tonnes Proved
  - > 820 million tonnes Probable
- 205 million tonnes of recoverable sulphate of potash (SOP)
  - Largest volume of recoverable SOP of all greenfield projects
- Shallow mineralisation allows open cut mining
  - A safer mining method versus underground
  - High resource recovery
  - Reduced complexity
  - High degree of selectivity
  - > Ideal for modular growth
  - Proven method for salt mining in arid regions



Photo: South Boulder Mines employee checking drill hole coordinates

# Conversion of Mineral Resource to Ore Reserve estimates for selected potash (MOP and SOP) projects





<sup>1.</sup> Underground mining methods and applications, company reports

<sup>2.</sup> South Boulder Mines Mineral Reserve, Allana Potash, IC Ochoa

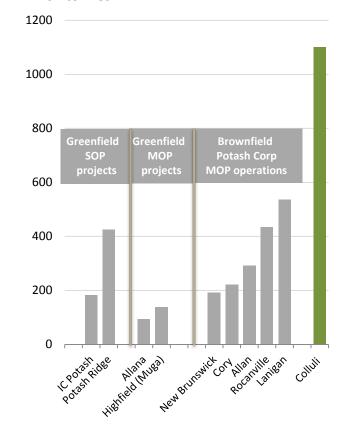
## Ore reserve comparable to large scale operations

 Colluli Ore Reserve estimate dwarfs many planned and current large scale operations

| Company             | Project             | Design Capacity<br>(Mtpa) | Mine Life<br>(yrs) |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| IC Potash           | Ochoa               | 0.75                      | 50                 |
| Potash Ridge        | Blawn<br>Mountain   | 0.65                      | 40                 |
| Allana              | Danakhil<br>Project | 1.00                      | 20                 |
| Highfield           | Muga                | 1.12                      | 24                 |
| Potash Corp         | New<br>Brunswick    | 0.80                      | 107                |
|                     | Cory                | 1.50                      | 125                |
|                     | Allan               | 1.40                      | 100                |
|                     | Rocanville          | 2.80                      | 74                 |
|                     | Lanigan             | 3.40                      | 85                 |
| South Boulder Mines | Colluli             | 0.850                     | 243                |

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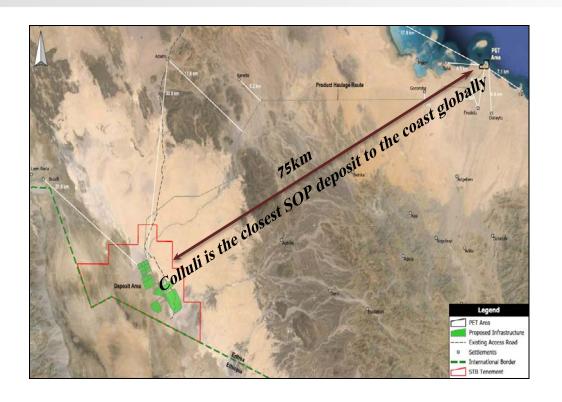
Million tonnes<sup>1,2,3</sup>



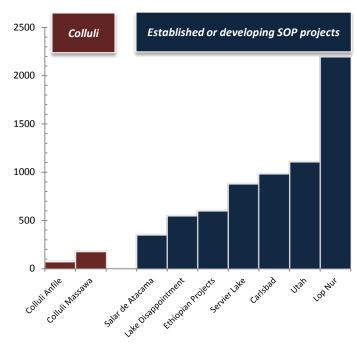
- 1. Company websites, Potash Corp annual report
- MOP = Muriate of Potash, otherwise known as potassium chloride
- SOP = sulphate of potash, otherwise known as potassium sulphate



## Unrivalled proximity to coast



Distance to coast for selected SOP projects Km<sup>1,2</sup>



- Colluli is significantly closer to shipping point than potassium sulphate peers globally
- Only 75km to the Red Sea Coast (Anfile Bay)
- Only 180km to the Port of Massawa (The key import/export facility in Eritrea)
- Trucking is a simple, low cost option to access port



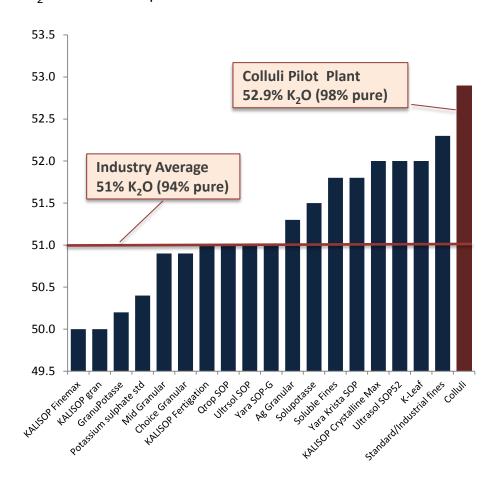
<sup>1.</sup> Company announcements: Allana Potash, Circum

<sup>2.</sup> South Boulder Mines Analysis

# Colluli will be at the top end of the quality spectrum

## **The SOP Quality Spectrum**

%K<sub>2</sub>O versus SOP product<sup>1,2</sup>



#### Colluli pilot test generated SOP samples for marketing<sup>2</sup>



### Colluli Soluble

Fine powder – rapidly dissolves in water.
Suitable for open feed fertigation, foliar feeding and greenhouse and hydroponic systems



## Colluli Standard

Suitable for application on hardy crops and in manufacture of compound fertilisers



### Colluli Granular

Suitable for bulk blends, mechanised spreading and for manual application



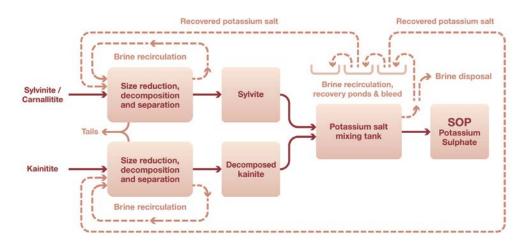
<sup>1.</sup> Company websites

<sup>2.</sup> South Boulder Mines Colluli salt pilot plant tests

## **Commercially proven process**

- The Colluli resource salt composition is highly favourable for SOP production
- The resource contains both kainite and sylvite (KCI)
- Combining these salts in water results in a high yield, ambient temperature conversion to SOP
- Process uses simple mineral processing units including conventional flotation, mixing tanks and centrifuges
- This process is the most commonly used for the primary production of SOP
- One important difference is that Colluli salts are mined in <u>solid form</u> versus potassium rich brines

#### Colluli SOP Production Process Overview



High potassium yield, ambient temperature conversion to SOP

Colluli SOP production process design reviewed and endorsed by Technical Review Committee comprising selected industry experts



# Salts mined in solid form – a distinct advantage

- Smaller surface footprint and reduced infrastructure
  - Naturally occurring or solution mining generated potassium rich brines require pre-processing ponds to produce harvest salt for subsequent processing
  - Salts in solid form only require evaporation ponds to improve overall recovery – sizes much smaller
- Reduced water consumption
  - Relative to solution mining , water consumption is very low
  - Low impact on sub-surface water resources
- Faster production ramp up
  - No pre-production evaporation required to generate harvest salts



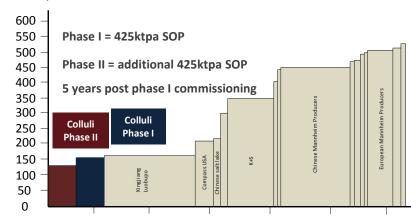
Photo: Cores from the Colluli resource



## Lowest operating costs and capital intensity

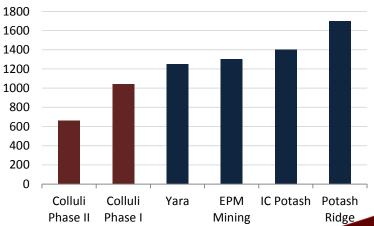
- Economically attractive prefeasibility study for a two phase development for production of sulphate of potash (SOP). PFS indicates:
  - Lowest operating costs for SOP production globally
  - Lowest capital intensity of advanced greenfield SOP projects globally
  - Phase I demonstrates robust economics with significant upside in Phase II
  - Colluli is one of only two SOP projects in the world with development capital <US\$450m</p>
- Underpinned by a large resource with the capability of potash product diversification, the project can support a pipeline of projects to grow capacity well beyond Phase II

# Mine gate operating costs for SOP production USS per tonne<sup>1</sup>



## Capital intensity of advanced SOP projects

US\$ per tonne<sup>2</sup>





<sup>1.</sup> CRU Research, EPM Mining presentation 2014, Company websites, Integer Research

<sup>2.</sup> South Boulder Mines Prefeasibility Study

## Unmatched potash diversification potential

- The variety of potassium salts in the Danakil basin provides unrivalled potash diversification opportunities that cannot be replicated by any other potash basin in the world
- Colluli has the largest advantage of potash product diversification due to selective mining of potassium salts from open pit operations
- The potential potash suite includes sulphate of potash (SOP), sulphate of potash magnesia (SOP-M) and muriate of potash (MOP)

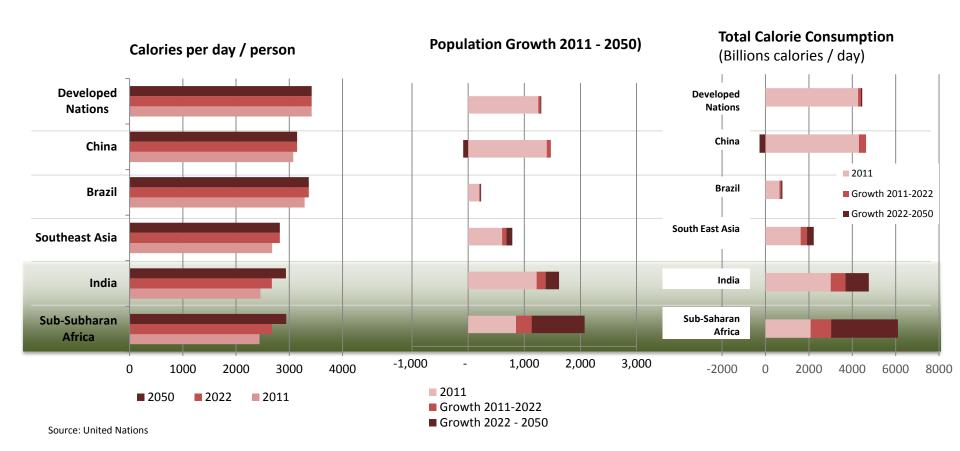
### **Colluli Potash Type Production Potential**

| Danakil<br>Potential | Potash<br>Type                    | Also<br>known as | Sale Price<br>US\$/tonne <sup>1</sup> | Nutrients                              | Uses   |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| ✓                    | Potassium<br>Chloride             | МОР              | 315                                   | Potassium                              | Staples – wheat, corn,<br>chloride tolerant crops  |
| <b>√</b>             | Sulphate<br>of Potash<br>Magnesia | SOP-M            | 400                                   | Potassium,<br>sulphur and<br>magnesium | Specialty fertiliser,<br>high value crops,<br>limited production<br>centres                            |
| <b>√</b>             | Sulphate<br>of Potash             | SOP              | 720                                   | Potassium<br>and sulphur               | Chloride intolerant<br>and specialty crops<br>such as fruits,<br>vegetables, nuts,<br>beans and coffee |
|                      | Potassium<br>Nitrate              | NOP              | 900                                   | Potassium<br>and<br>nitrogen           | Chloride sensitive<br>crops that require<br>additional nitrogen  |



Greenmarkets, (May 2015), Compass Minerals Quarterly Report, Potash Corp

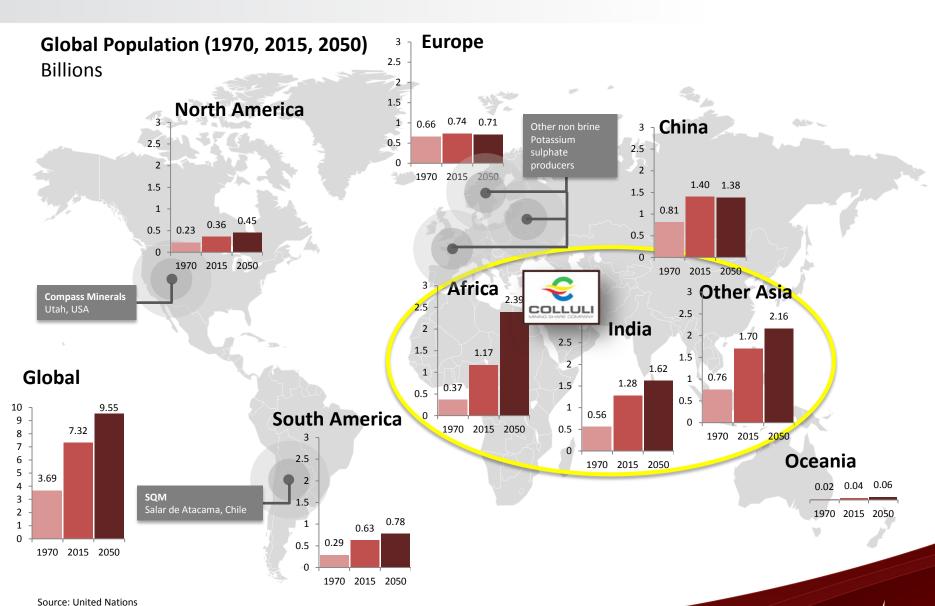
## Location, location



<u>Africa and India</u> will dominate growth in food consumption, driven by population growth and rising economic wealth



# Colluli is centered around major population growth regions



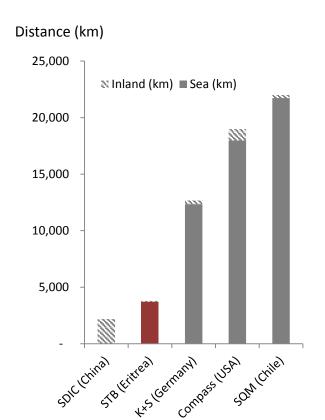


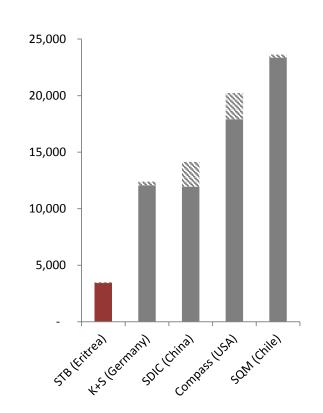
# Logistically favourable - relative proximity to key markets

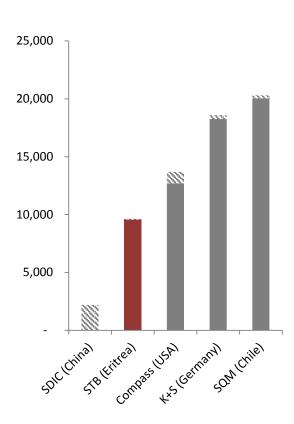
TO: MANGALORE (India)

TO: PORT REITZ (Kenya)

TO: ZHANJIANG (China)







## Major population growth centres

 $Source: Sea\ distances.org,\ Company\ websites,\ STB\ analysis$ 



# Eritrea – growing economy, maturing mining industry and stable jurisdiction

## Fast growing economy

- Eritrea was ranked 11<sup>th</sup> fastest growing economy globally in 2014, at 8% p.a.
- Growth driven by strong mineral exports,
   agricultural output and infrastructure development

## **Maturing Mining Industry**

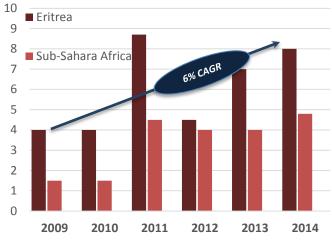
- ✓ Bisha mine (Nevsun:ENAMCO) in production since 2010
- Zara mine (previous owner Chalice Gold) currently commissioning
- Asmara project (Sunridge Gold:ENAMCO) completed DFS
- ✓ Colluli project (South Boulder Mines:ENAMCO) completed PFS

## **Stable jurisdiction**

- 24 years of independence
- Stable government

## **Gross domestic Product**





Source: Economic Intelligence Unit, Economist





## **DFS** work well advanced





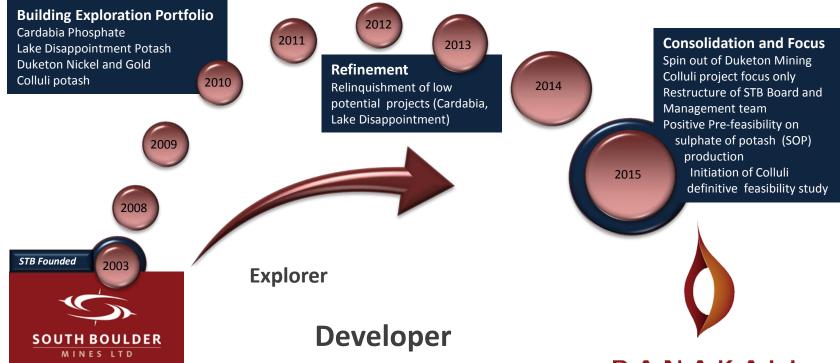
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## A positive future – development and production focus



### **ASX:STB**

### Founded in 2003

A diversified exploration company focussing on nickel, gold, phosphate and potash exploration with an objective of identifying high potential, value accretive projects.

# **Producer**

We are transforming...

## DANAKALI

**ASX:DNK** 

May 2015

A development and production company focussing on developing the Colluli potash project to an agrichemical business of global significance



# **Development timeline**



| Milestones                             |    | 2014 |    |    | 20: | 15E |    |    | 201 | 16E |    | 2017 | 7E |    |    |
|--|----|------|----|----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|-----|----|------|----|----|----|
|  | Q2 | Q3   | Q4 | Q1 | Q2  | Q3  | Q4 | Q1 | Q2  | Q3  | Q4 | Q1   | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 |
| Metallurgical testwork                 |    |      |    |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |      |    |    |    |
| Preliminary feasibility Study          |    |      |    |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |      |    |    |    |
| Finalise resource                      |    |      |    |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |      |    |    |    |
| Optimisation and pilot tests           |    |      |    |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |      |    |    |    |
| Definitive feasibility study           |    |      |    |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |      |    |    |    |
| Social Environmental Impact Assessment |    |      |    |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |      |    |    |    |
| Mining License Application             |    |      |    |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |      |    |    |    |
| Funding                                |    |      |    |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |      |    |    |    |
| Detailed Engineering                   |    |      |    |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |      |    |    |    |
| Phase I Construction                   |    |      |    |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |      |    |    |    |



# Thank you

**Colluli: Positively Unique** 

## **Experienced board and management**





#### **Seamus Cornelius, Non Executive Chairman**

Mr Cornelius has 21 years of corporate experience in both legal and commercial negotiations. He has been based in Shanghai and Beijing since 1993, where he has been living and working as a corporate lawyer. From 2000 to 2011 Mr Cornelius was an international partner with one of Australia's leading law firms, specialising in cross border investments in the energy and resource sectors.



### Paul Donaldson, CEO and Managing Director

Mr Donaldson was appointed to the role of Chief Executive Officer in February 2013. He joins South Boulder Mines from a series of senior management roles with BHP Billiton. Mr Donaldson has experience in large scale open cut mine management, supply chain logistics, mineral processing, business improvement and marketing.



### **Tony, Kiernan, Non Executive Director**

Mr Kiernan was previously a commercial lawyer and is currently Chairman of the Australian iron ore producer BC Iron Ltd (ASX:BCI) and a non-executive director of several listed mining companies including Chalice Gold Mines Ltd (ASX: CHN), which has been operating in Eritrea since 2009.



### **Liam Cornelius, Non Executive Director**

Mr Cornelius graduated from Curtin University of Technology with a BAppSc in Geology. He has been involved in the exploration industry within Australia and Africa for 18 years. As a founding member of South Boulder Mines, Mr Cornelius has played a key role in outlining areas of interest for the company.



### John Fitzgerald, Non Executive Director

Mr Fitzgerald joined the board in February 2015, and has previously held positions at NM Rothschild and Sons, Investec Bank Australia, Commonwealth Bank and HSBC Precious Metals. He is the Managing Director of Optimum Capital Pty Ltd, a corporate debt and advisory business focussed on the mining sector. Mr. Fitzgerald is also a Non-Executive Director of Northern Star Resources Limited and Chairman of Mungana Goldmines Limited. Mr Fitzgerald is a Chartered Accountant, a Fellow of FINSIA and a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.



#### **James Durrant, Project Manager**

Mr. Durrant joined South Boulder Mines after a series of operational roles within BHP Billiton. With tertiary qualifications in both mechanical and mining engineering, Mr. Durrant brings project management, organisational design and operational management of large scale open cut mines skills to the organisation.



### Zeray Leake, Country Manager

Mr Leake is a Geologist with over 12 years experience in the development and exploration of potash, gold, base metals and industrial minerals.

Mr Leake previously worked for the Geological Survey of Eritrea.

# PFS – Economic snapshot



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|--|---------|------------------|---------------------------|
| <sup>1</sup> Project NPV <sub>10%</sub> (US\$m)              | 462     | 846              | Project will grow         |
| Project IRR (%)  | 22.3    | 24.7             | with market over time and |
| STB NPV <sub>10%</sub> (US\$m)                               | 206     | 397              | diversify product         |
| STB IRR (%)  | 22.3    | 25.9             | mix.                      |
| Development Capital (US\$m)                                  | 442     | 282 <sup>2</sup> |                           |
| Expected Module Capacity (tpa)                               | 425,000 | + 425,000        |                           |
| Average Mine Gate Cash Costs (US\$/t SOP)                    | 162     | 141              |                           |
| Production Commences   | Q3 2018 | Q3 2023          |                           |
| Expected mine life (years - based on Measured and Indicated) | 520     | 260              |                           |
| Undiscounted cumulative cash flow (US\$m)                    | 2,645   | 5,134            |                           |

Phase I has been modelled as a standalone project and is an attractive investment in itself.

Phase II calculated with the second module commencing in 2023, with volumes in addition to Phase I.

Note: PFS for EPM Mining modelled US\$716/tonne SOP [Source: EPM Mining N43-101 PFS report]

Note: DFS for IC Ochoa modelled at \$618/tonne SOP [Source: IC Ochoa N43-101 Feasibility report]

Note: Colluli Project NPV10% @ US\$700/tonne = US\$689m Phase I (28.3% IRR) and US\$1,205m (30.5% IRR) Phase II

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Modelled at long term SOP price of US\$588/tonne

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Incremental additional capital

# Two phase SOP development creates a platform for growth



|  | Phase I  | Phase II  |
|--|----------|-----------|
| Capacity (tpa)                           | 425,000  | 425,000   |
| Breakdown of development capital (\$USm) |          |           |
| Process plant and ponds                  | 165      | 179¹      |
| Mine development and infrastructure      | 71       | 7         |
| Water supply, product road and port      | 49       | 14        |
| Support infrastructure                   | 10       | 3         |
| EPCM                                     | 37       | 18        |
| Indirects                                | 27       | 27        |
| Owners costs                             | 35       | 3         |
| Contingency                              | 48       | 31        |
| Capital                                  | US\$442m | US\$282m² |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Includes plant modifications to process lower carnallitite material

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Clear economies of scale in mine development, pit dewatering, port and product road

# Clear economies of scale and significant upside



## From Phase I to Phase II:

- 46% reduction in G and A: due to fixed senior management structure across both modules
- 14% reduction in mining costs: fixed cost dilution and improved equipment utilisation
- 11% reduction in OPEX overall

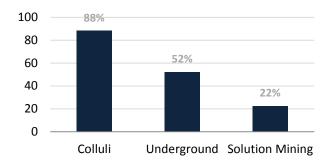
|   | Phase I | Phase II         |
|---|---------|------------------|
| Project Production Capacity (tpa)         | 425,000 | 850,000 (+425kt) |
| Breakdown of operating costs (\$US/t SOP) |         |                  |
| Mining costs                              | 82.71   | 71.53            |
| Processing Plant                          | 58.34   | 57.89            |
| General and Administration                | 20.92   | 11.37            |
| Mine gate cash costs                      | 161.97  | 140.79           |
| Trucking to port                          | 6.49    | 6.48             |
| Shiploading                               | 20.93   | 20.87            |
| Total Operating Costs                     | 189.39  | 168.14           |

# High resource recoveries primarily the result of open pit mining



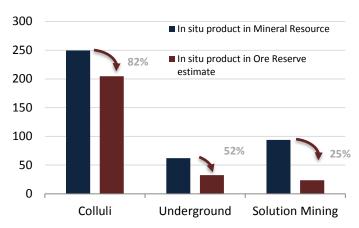
- Open pit mining substantially increases the mineable material
  - > No resource loss for roof support
    - Room and pillar mining for potash sterilises approximately 50 to 55% of the resource<sup>1</sup>
  - > No solution mining complexities
    - > losses from roof support
    - > geological continuity and seam thickness
    - > preferentially soluble salt types
- In addition to high resource recovery, open pit mining also has the advantages of
  - Safety safer working conditions and better safety record than underground mining
  - > Expandability open cut mining offers ease of growth using the principles of modularity
  - Selectivity salts within diverse suites can be selectively mined, allowing consistent grade and stable processing operations

# Conversion of Mineral Resource to Ore Reserve estimates for selected potash (MOP and SOP) projects $\%^{2,3}$



# In situ product in Mineral Resource and in situ product in Ore Reserve estimates for selected potash (MOP and SOP) projects

Million tonnes 1,2



<sup>1.</sup> Underground mining methods and applications, company reports

<sup>2.</sup> South Boulder Mines Mineral Reserve, Allana Potash, IC Ochoa

<sup>3.</sup> IC Ochoa mine life run over 50 years

# Potential project upside



# Markets for these products are well established

### **Potential Markets for Various Resource Mineralisation**

| Mineral Present at Colluli      | Colluli Resource <sup>1</sup> | Global Market Context          |  |  |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|
| rock salt (NaCl)                | + 650Mt                       | 300Mtpa global salt market     |  |  |
| halite (NaCl)                   | 1 030IVIL                     | Sooivicpa global sait market   |  |  |
| bischofite (MgCl <sub>2</sub> ) | +200Mt                        | 6 – 7Mtpa global market        |  |  |
| anhydrite                       | Avg 4% ( ~40Mt)               | 187Mtpa Gypsum market          |  |  |
| kieserite (MgSO <sub>4</sub> )  | 40Mt                          | Established fertiliser segment |  |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Exploration targets

# Colluli infrastructure solution based on modularity





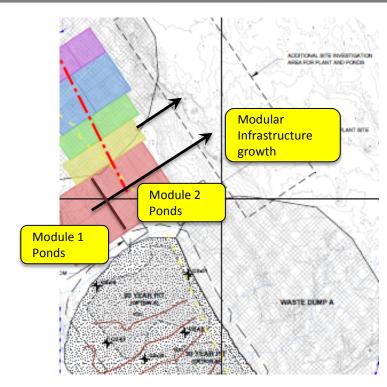
**Modular Servicing Bays (example)** 



Modular Fuel Pods (example)



**Modular Offices and Camp (example)** 



- Simpler logistics
- Reduced Earthworks
- Ease of expandability
- Improved capital management
- Improved process ramp up

# Modular growth underpinned by 1.289Bt JORC compliant high grade resource



Over 1 billion tonnes of potassium bearing salts – all potassium salts in the Colluli resource are suitable for the production of potash fertilisers.

Shallow mineralisation supports Colluli as open pit — a proven, safer mining method, easier to expand and better overall resource recovery than underground.

Danakil basin is an emerging potash province – over 4 billion tonnes of potassium bearing salts identified to date, and one of **only three** major deposits globally containing kainite salt (key salt for SOP production) in solid form.

| Colluli at a Glance        |  |                         |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------------|--|-------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Location                   | South Eritrea  |                         |  |  |  |  |
| Product                    | Sulphate of P  | otash                   |  |  |  |  |
| Resource <sup>1</sup>      | Measured: 303Mt Indicated: 951Mt Inferred: 35Mt <u>Total: 1289Mt</u> |                         |  |  |  |  |
| Potassium<br>Bearing Salts | Sylvinite:<br>Carnallitite:<br>Kainitite:                            | 265Mt<br>398Mt<br>626Mt |  |  |  |  |
| Process                    | Flotation/Solar<br>Evaporation                                       |                         |  |  |  |  |
| Stage                      | DFS level testwork program underway                                  |                         |  |  |  |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Refer to STB ASX announcement 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2015

# Modular approach mitigates risks – safety, capital, process and market



### Safety:

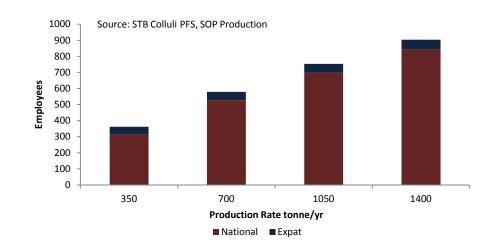
- Managing workforce size, skills and training in developing mining jurisdiction
- Avoiding competition for limited skills within developing mining industry
- Developing capability at a manageable rate
- Managing span of control

### **Capital/Commercial:**

- Analysis of Australian mining projects shows larger % cost increases with increasing project size
- Highest level of confidence in the bracket with the largest number of projects
   (\$100m - \$500m)

### **Process:**

- Greenfield developments rely on data acquisition and metallurgical test programs for process design. While this proves and derisks the process, operational data and process understanding are core elements of process optimisation
- Module designs can be optimised with the combination of data, plant performance, improved understanding of raw material and processing behaviour

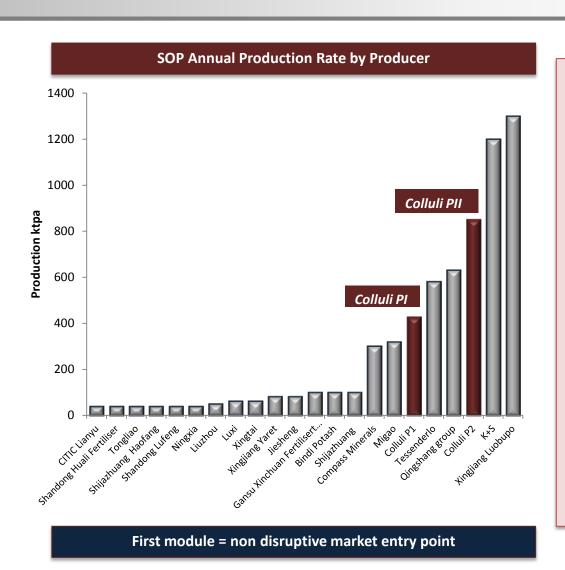


| Value of Mining Projects<br>Completed (\$m) | 20 – 100 | 101 - 500 | 501 - 1000 | +1000 |
|---|----------|-----------|------------|-------|
| Projects                                    | 43       | 54        | 17         | 27    |
| Average cost change                         | 2.4%     | -3.8%     | 4.0%       | 14.6% |

Source: Deloitte Access Economics, March 2014

# Phase II will make Colluli the third largest SOP producer globally





# Global SOP Market approx. 6 Mtpa

Only two producers above 1Mtpa.

<u>Colluli Phase I</u>: Places Colluli in top 10 producers globally and allows non disruptive market entry.

<u>Colluli Phase II</u>: Will place Colluli in the top 3 producers globally.

## Modular development approach

mitigates risks

- Safety
- Capital
- Process
- Market



# Social and environmental baselines well progressed



- Community engagement well advanced
- Two tranches of environmental baseline assessments submitted to the Ministry of Environment
- Feedback received from first submission
- Oceanography base studies well progressed
- Final tranche due to be submitted in Q2 2015
- Colluli exploration camp managed by closest community as needed



# **Eritrea mining law**



- 1. Stable Tax Regime
- 2. Accelerated depreciation straight line method over 4 years of all capital and pre-production costs
- 3. Generous reinvestment deduction
  - (5% of gross income)
- 4. 10 year carrying forward of losses
- 5. 0.5% import duty on mining inputs
- 6. Simple "one stop" licensing system



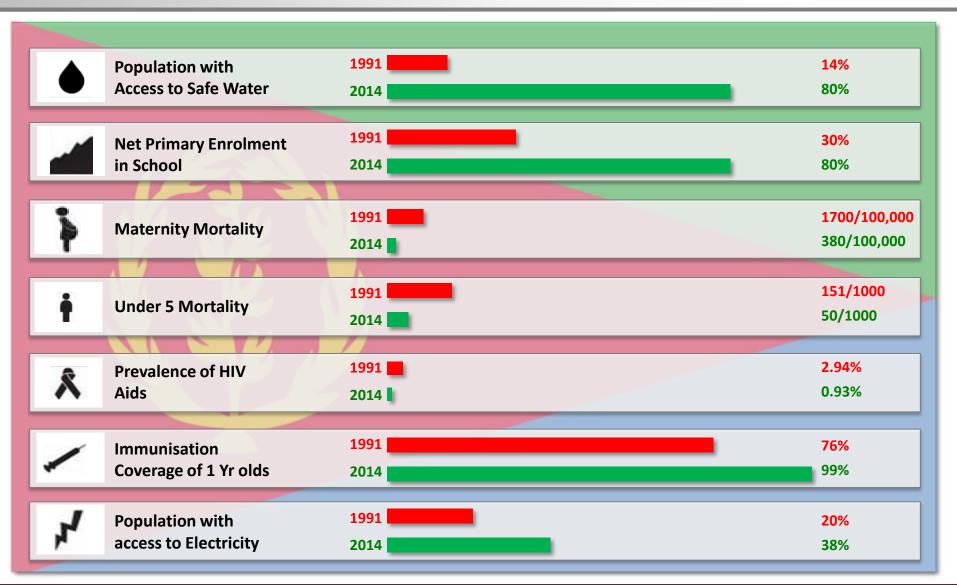
Bisha Mine



Zara Mine

# **Eritrea** – advancing





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