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### **Athena Byro Iron Ore** **Excellent Davis Tube Results**

- **Davis Tube Recovery results include:-**

|                 |                                 |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>AHRC0008</b> | <b>83m @ 70.7% Fe from 68m</b>  |
| <b>AHRC0006</b> | <b>76m @ 70.4% Fe from 85m</b>  |
| <b>AHRC0011</b> | <b>60m @ 70.4% Fe from 107m</b> |
| <b>AHRC0003</b> | <b>50m @ 70.5% Fe from 59m</b>  |
| <b>AHRC0005</b> | <b>38m @ 69.0% Fe from 64m</b>  |
| <b>AHRC0017</b> | <b>10m @ 71.1% Fe from 88m</b>  |

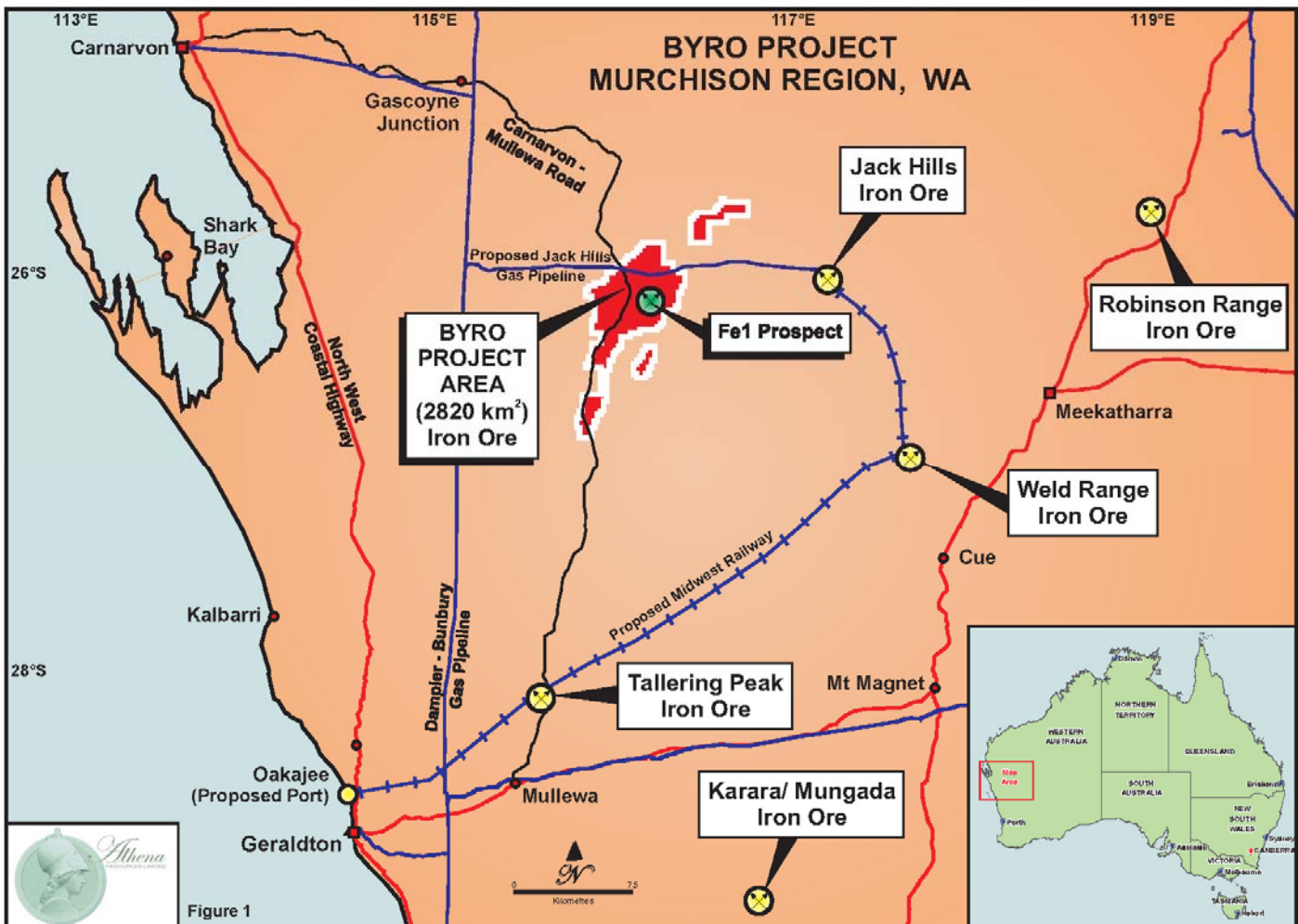
- **Concentrate grades of up to 71.6% Fe**
- **Concentrate grades of up to 93.8% Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>**
- **DTR Weight Recoveries of up to 56.0%**
- **Potential for a premium magnetite product with super low detrimental impurities of aluminium, phosphorous and sulphur.**

**Details**

The Directors of Athena Resources Limited (ASX: AHN) are pleased to advise that the Company has received extremely positive results from its Davis Tube Recovery (DTR) testwork. The analysis was carried out on the high grade magnetite iron ore samples from the first drilling program on the Company’s highly prospective Byro Iron Ore Project in the Mid West region of Western Australia.

The Byro Iron Ore Project is strategically located approximately 100km west of the proposed Midwest Iron Ore Railway which is planned to link existing and future iron ore projects in the Mid West Region to the proposed Oakajee deep water bulk shipping port north of Geraldton. (Figure 1)

The DTR analysis was carried out on each of the intersections included in the announcement to ASX on 5 October 2010 (See Appendix 1). Table 1 lists these results.



**TABLE 1. BYRO – IRON ORE – Davis Tube Recovery Results.**

| Hole ID         | From | To  | Intercept | Fe% Head     | Fe% Conc    | DTR Wt%     | Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> % Conc | SiO <sub>2</sub> % Conc | Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> % Conc | P% Conc      | LOI% Conc    |
|-----------------|------|-----|-----------|--------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>AHRC0001</b> | 95   | 99  | 4         | 40.90        | 70.3        | 49.0        | 75.9                                  | 1.09                    | 0.33                                  | 0.003        | -2.33        |
| <b>AHRC0002</b> | 117  | 123 | 6         | 37.80        | 70.7        | 50.5        | 92.0                                  | 1.35                    | 0.26                                  | 0.005        | -3.15        |
| and             | 133  | 146 | 13        | 34.64        | 70.5        | 43.6        | 91.8                                  | 1.32                    | 0.53                                  | 0.003        | -3.12        |
| <b>AHRC0003</b> | 59   | 109 | <b>50</b> | <b>34.66</b> | <b>70.5</b> | <b>41.5</b> | <b>90.6</b>                           | <b>1.53</b>             | <b>0.39</b>                           | <b>0.004</b> | <b>-3.28</b> |
| including       | 86   | 91  | 5         | 39.33        | 70.5        | 41.1        | 91.2                                  | 1.19                    | 0.46                                  | 0.003        | -3.25        |
| <b>AHRC0004</b> | 96   | 100 | 4         | 25.66        | 66.5        | 30.2        | 85.8                                  | 4.25                    | 1.32                                  | 0.003        | -2.82        |
| and             | 116  | 118 | 2         | 32.23        | 69.9        | 39.4        | 90.0                                  | 1.72                    | 0.47                                  | 0.004        | -3.14        |
| <b>AHRC0005</b> | 64   | 102 | <b>38</b> | <b>30.38</b> | <b>69.0</b> | <b>38</b>   | <b>89.9</b>                           | <b>3.01</b>             | <b>0.62</b>                           | <b>0.003</b> | <b>-3.03</b> |
| including       | 82   | 88  | 6         | 38.22        | 70.0        | 45.5        | 91.5                                  | 2.35                    | 0.33                                  | 0.002        | -3.14        |
| <b>AHRC0006</b> | 85   | 161 | <b>76</b> | <b>28.54</b> | <b>70.4</b> | <b>33.5</b> | <b>91.1</b>                           | <b>1.71</b>             | <b>0.39</b>                           | <b>0.003</b> | <b>-3.23</b> |
| including       | 91   | 95  | 4         | 32.68        | 70.5        | 40.4        | 92.0                                  | 1.40                    | 0.39                                  | 0.003        | -3.19        |
| including       | 125  | 161 | 38        | 33.97        | 70.9        | 46.1        | 90.8                                  | 1.44                    | 0.26                                  | 0.004        | -3.34        |
| <b>AHRC0007</b> | 38   | 52  | 14        | 32.16        | 71.0        | 39.5        | 90.8                                  | 1.10                    | 0.40                                  | 0.006        | -3.30        |
| including       | 44   | 52  | 10        | 33.13        | 71.1        | 41.3        | 90.9                                  | 1.07                    | 0.24                                  | 0.002        | -3.27        |
| and             | 74   | 80  | 6         | 25.25        | 71.1        | 28.2        | 92.2                                  | 0.81                    | 0.34                                  | 0.001        | -3.21        |
| <b>AHRC0008</b> | 68   | 151 | <b>83</b> | <b>32.62</b> | <b>70.7</b> | <b>40.2</b> | <b>90.6</b>                           | <b>1.32</b>             | <b>0.33</b>                           | <b>0.003</b> | <b>-3.29</b> |
| <b>AHRC0009</b> | 98   | 118 | 20        | 29.26        | 70.6        | 33.9        | 89.8                                  | 1.45                    | 0.38                                  | 0.003        | -3.27        |
| including       | 98   | 108 | 10        | 30.33        | 70.6        | 35          | 90.2                                  | 1.35                    | 0.44                                  | 0.003        | -3.29        |
| including       | 108  | 118 | 10        | 28.20        | 70.7        | 32.7        | 89.4                                  | 1.55                    | 0.31                                  | 0.003        | -3.25        |
| <b>AHRC0011</b> | 107  | 167 | <b>60</b> | <b>34.87</b> | <b>70.4</b> | <b>44.8</b> | <b>90.0</b>                           | <b>1.67</b>             | <b>0.29</b>                           | <b>0.003</b> | <b>-3.27</b> |
| <b>AHRC0015</b> | 88   | 124 | 36        | 26.73        | 69.4        | 22.1        | 87.0                                  | 2.07                    | 0.79                                  | 0.003        | -2.94        |
| including       | 88   | 96  | 8         | 32.16        | 69.4        | 31.4        | 87.8                                  | 2.12                    | 0.75                                  | 0.002        | -3.06        |
| <b>AHRC0017</b> | 88   | 98  | <b>10</b> | <b>39.81</b> | <b>71.1</b> | <b>52</b>   | <b>92.5</b>                           | <b>1.07</b>             | <b>0.39</b>                           | <b>0.002</b> | <b>-3.32</b> |

Note:

Fe: Iron; SiO<sub>2</sub>: Silicon Dioxide; Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: Aluminium Oxide; P: Phosphorus; LOI: Loss On Ignition; Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>%; Magnetite

The DTR analysis was carried out on the samples recovered from the 1800 meter, 17 drill hole Reverse Circulation (RC) program carried out on the magnetic targets on E09/1507. Results confirmed the potential to produce a high-grade magnetite concentrate with super low levels of detrimental impurities. Grades include up to 71.6% Fe and 93.8% Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> in concentrate from a grind preparation of nominally 80% passing 35 micrometers. Weight recoveries of up to 56% were achieved.

Figures 3, 4, and 5 are cross sections of drill holes AHRC0004 to AHRC0011 at the Fe1 Prospect. These figures show the DTR concentrate Fe grades achieved on each of the sections.

Following on from these exceptional DTR results, Athena intends to examine the full extent of the iron ore targets (in yellow on Figure 2) identified from the aeromagnetic surveys flown over E09/1552, E09/1507, E09/1508, E09/1637 and ELA09/1781. The targets cover an area of 40 km by 30 km (or 1200 sq km). The high priority magnetic targets, shown as red dots on Figure 2, provide Athena with more than 20 km strike length of prospective magnetite iron ore horizon.

Work to obtain statutory clearances to drill test these priority iron ore targets has commenced.

E W Edwards  
Managing Director

## About Athena Resources Limited

**Athena Resources Limited (ASX: AHN)**, which is based in Perth, was listed on the ASX in 2007 and currently has 65.6 million shares on issue. **Ishine International Resources Limited (ASX: ISH)** an Australian listed exploration company has agreed to acquire a 19.9% strategic stake in Athena through the placement of 14.2 million shares, of which the first 8.3 million shares have been taken up. Ishine's major shareholders are Shandong Ishine Mining Industry Co Ltd (SIMIC) 68.7% and Mr. Yunde Li, 11.5%, Chairman of SIMIC. SIMIC owns three iron ore plants and iron ore resources in China and its core business is production and sale of iron ore concentrates. Athena's major asset is its 80% interest in the Byro Project where it is exploring for copper, nickel, PGE's in addition to iron ore. The company also has significant gold, lead and silver targets in the Ashburton Area, (ref 2010 Annual Report).

### *Competent Persons Statement*

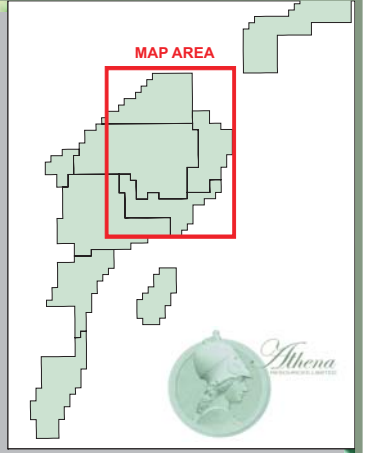
The technical information relating to Athena's exploration projects was compiled by Mr Martin Dormer, an employee of Ishine International Resources Limited. Mr Dormer is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, and has sufficient relevant experience in the styles of mineralisation and deposit styles under consideration to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in "*The Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (JORC Code, 2004 edition)*". Mr Dormer consents to this inclusion of the information in this report in the context and format in which it appears.



# BYRO IRON ORE PROJECT

## Magnetite Iron Ore Targets And DTR Results

435000 mE



**Fe13 Prospect**  
36m @ 69.4% Fe in Conc

E09/1552

E09/1507

**Fe12 Prospect**  
10m @ 71.1% Fe in Conc

E09/1637

**Fe1 Prospect**  
83m @ 70.7% Fe in Conc  
60m @ 70.4% Fe in Conc

7110000 mN

431000 mE

**Fe1 Prospect**  
Drillhole & Cross-Section Locations  
Overlying  
>1500nT Aeromagnetic Response

7110250 mN

ELA09/1781

E09/1508

Kilometres  
MGA50  
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- High Priority Magnetite Target
- Magnetite Iron Ore Target

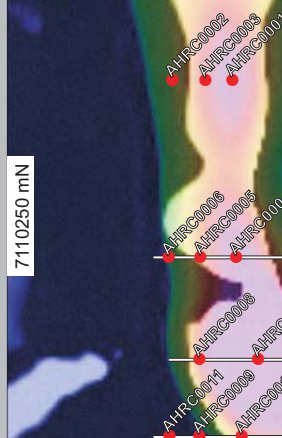


Figure 3

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Figure 2

431050 mE

431150 mE



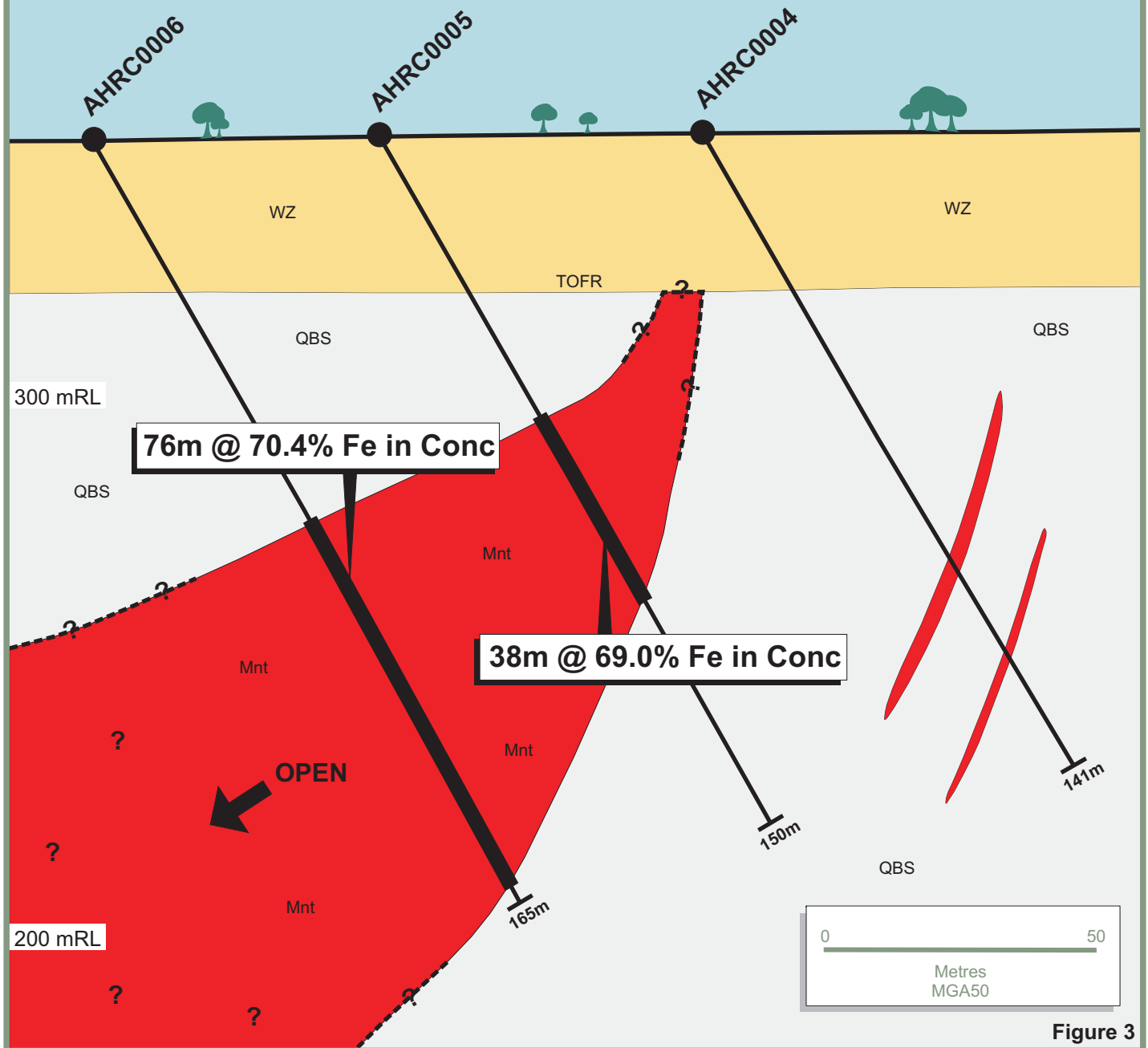
**BYRO PROJECT**

**Fe1 Prospect**

**Cross Section 7110200 mN**

**With DTR Results**

- Interpreted Contact
- - - Inferred Contact
- WZ Weathered Zone
- QBS Quartz Biotite Schist
- Mnt Magnetite



**Figure 3**



431050 mE

431150 mE



**BYRO PROJECT**

**Fe1 Prospect**  
**Cross Section 7110030 mN**  
**With DTR Results**

— Interpreted Contact  
 - - Inferred Contact

WZ Weathered Zone  
 QBS Quartz Biotite Schist  
 Mnt Magnetite

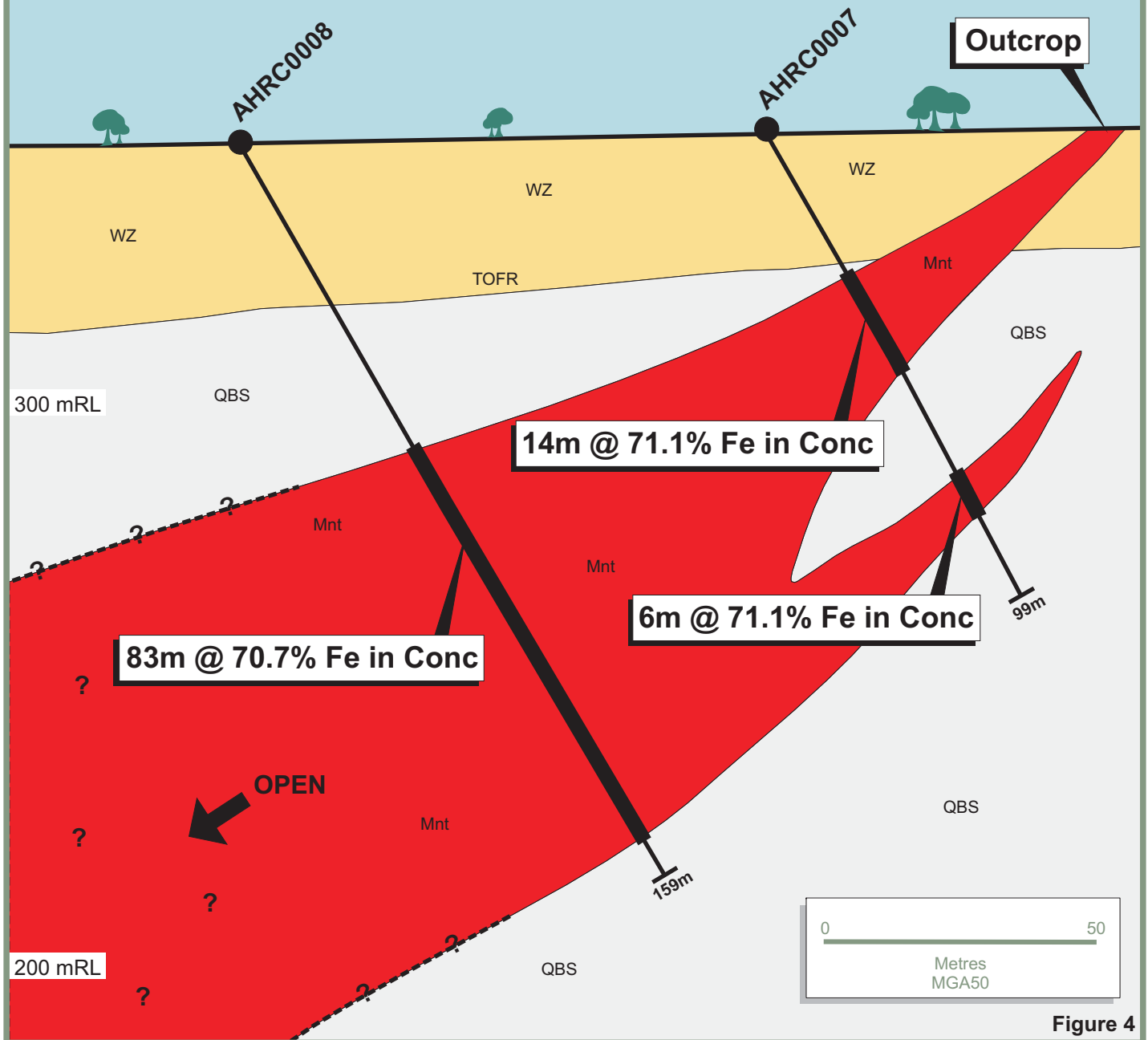


Figure 4



431050 mE

431150 mE



**BYRO PROJECT**

**Fe1 Prospect**  
**Cross Section 7109905 mN**  
**With DTR Results**

- Interpreted Contact
- - Inferred Contact
- WZ Weathered Zone
- QBS Quartz Biotite Schist
- Mnt Magnetite

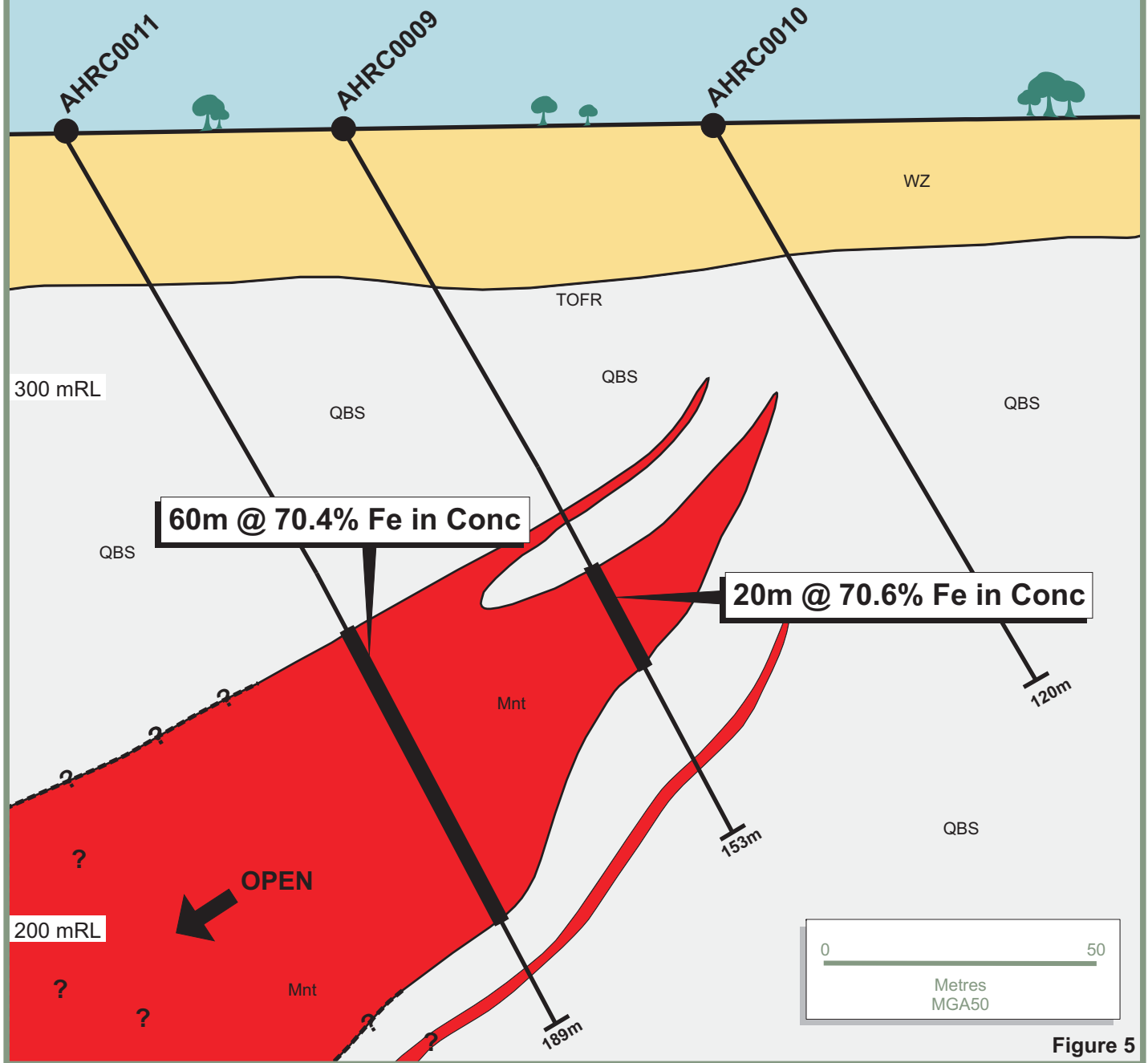


Figure 5

## Appendix 2

### BYRO DRILL HOLE DETAILS – Magnetite

Grid: MGA50 (GDA94)

| Hole     | Prospect | Easting | Northing | Depth | Dip   | Azimuth |
|----------|----------|---------|----------|-------|-------|---------|
| AHRC0001 | FE1      | 431107  | 7110500  | 129   | -60   | 90      |
| AHRC0002 | FE1      | 431007  | 7110500  | 170   | -60   | 90      |
| AHRC0003 | FE1      | 431062  | 7110500  | 117   | -60   | 90      |
| AHRC0004 | FE1      | 431113  | 7110204  | 141   | -60   | 90      |
| AHRC0005 | FE1      | 431054  | 7110205  | 150   | -60   | 90      |
| AHRC0006 | FE1      | 431001  | 7110204  | 165   | -60   | 90      |
| AHRC0007 | FE1      | 431150  | 7110035  | 99    | -60   | 90      |
| AHRC0008 | FE1      | 431052  | 7110035  | 159   | -60   | 90      |
| AHRC0009 | FE1      | 431052  | 7109907  | 153   | -60   | 90      |
| AHRC0011 | FE1      | 431002  | 7109907  | 189   | -60   | 90      |
| AHRC0015 | FE13     | 419273  | 7123031  | 152   | -79.4 | 60      |
| AHRC0017 | FE12     | 418618  | 7122628  | 175   | -59.8 | 240     |

## Appendix 3

### SAMPLING DETAILS

- Davis Tube Analysis performed by Amdel-Ultratrace Laboratories of the Bureau Veritas Group.
- Composited assay intercepts  $\geq 10\text{m}$
- Feed assays quoted are from X-Ray Fluorescence Spectrometry, (XRF).
- DTR head sample prepared to nominally 80% passing 35 micrometers

| Corrected Separation Size |               | Weight Retained |    | Cumulative Weight |           |
|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------|----|-------------------|-----------|
| Cyclone                   | $\mu\text{m}$ | (g)             | %  | % Retained        | % Passing |
| C1                        | 35.4          | 14.14           | 20 | 20                | 80        |

| Correction Factors                      |  |             |                |      |
|---|--|-------------|----------------|------|
| Water Temperature (°C)                  |  | 22          | <b>F1</b>      | 0.98 |
| Cyclosizer Feed SG (g/cm <sup>3</sup> ) |  | 3.24        | <b>F2</b>      | 0.86 |
| Elutriation Time (min)                  |  | 25          | <b>F3</b>      | 0.96 |
| Flow Setting (mm)                       |  | 180         | <b>F4</b>      | 1    |
|   |  |             | <b>Overall</b> | 0.81 |
| <b>P<sub>80</sub> (µm)</b>              |  | <b>35.5</b> |                |      |

## Appendix 4

### INTERSECTION WIDTH

- All intersections reported are based on down hole width
- Sections display apparent width not true width

