South American Ferro Metals Limited



The only ASX-listed pure play iron ore producer in Brazil

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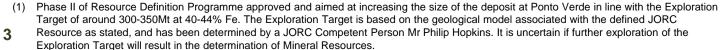


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Investment Case







Company Description

- South American Ferro Metals Limited ("SAFM") is the only ASX-listed pure play iron ore producer in Brazil.
- The company listed on the ASX (ASX:SFZ) in November 2010, with production at Ponto Verde commencing November 2010.
- SAFM owns 100% of the mineral rights and property of the Ponto Verde Iron Ore Project, located in the heart of the Iron Ore Quadrilateral in Brazil.
- The Ponto Verde mine is surrounded by established iron ore producers Vale, CSN and Gerdau – and located close to established mining operations, iron and steel plants and existing infrastructure.
- The company has offices in Sydney, Perth and Belo Horizonte.



Company Snapshot

ASX Ticker	SFZ
Market Capitalisation (27 Feb 2012)	\$94.1 million
Shares Outstanding Options Outstanding (listed and unlisted)	409.2 million 56.9 million
Key Asset	Ponto Verde Iron Ore Project, Brazil
Achieved Licenced ROM Capacity	1.5Mtpa
Sales Volume (1H FY12) ⁽¹⁾	175,713 t 77,746t
Targeted Expansion ROM Throughput	8.0 Mtpa
Projected Concentrate Iron Ore Grade	62-65% Fe
Revenue (1H FY12)	\$8.1 million
Cash On Hand (31 Dec 2011)	\$7.5 million
JORC Resource ⁽²⁾ - (60Mt Indicated & 170Mt Inferred)	230Mt @ 44.5% Fe
JORC Exploration Target (3)	300 - 350Mt @ 40 – 44% Fe

⁽¹⁾ Forward looking annual sales volume based on achieved 1.5Mtpa licenced ROM throughput

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⁽²⁾ Coffey Mining, as per ASX announcement on 23 December 2011

Shareholder Summary⁽¹⁾

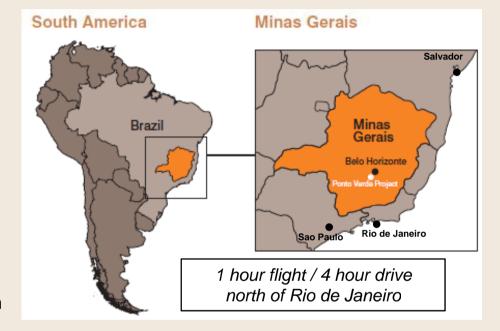
	Ownership (17-Feb-12)
Grafton Resource Investments	11.0%
Massif Limited ⁽²⁾	10.9%
Topix Management Ltd ⁽²⁾	10.7%
Tin Zone Holdings Ltd ⁽²⁾	9.9%
Sun Wing Group Ltd	9.9%
Top Five Shareholders	52.4%
Top 20 Shareholders	78.2%
Management and Board	43.5%



⁽¹⁾ Source: Company registry(2) Represents interests of SAFM management and Board

Why Brazil?

- BRIC country and G20 member
- Strong domestic economy driving 7.5% GDP growth in 2010 (IMF)
- South America's largest economy
- 2nd largest global iron ore producer
- 30% of the country remains un-explored with high potential
- Well established, understood and tested mining laws (currently being streamlined)
- Ability to work cooperatively with the Brazilian Government



- Ranked 8th best country for resources investment and operation (ResourceStocks 2011 World Risk Survey) Australia 7th and Canada 9th
- Vale World's largest iron ore producer and SAFM's neighbour
- Extensive logistics and existing infrastructure in area rail, ports and roads



Ponto Verde Mine and Plant





South American Ferro Metals Ponto Verde Mine Site

- East of the town of Itabarito
- 150 Ha site
- 52 staff & 96 contract miners
- At full licenced production 1.5Mtpa



Successful 2011 Resource Expansion





2011 Drill Program

- 3,300 metres drilled
- 5 rigs employed at peak drilling
- 6 month program
- Coffey Mining produced JORC Resource Report
- 230 Mt (60Mt Ind & 170Mt Inf) @ 44.5% Fe
- World class deposit
- Phase II Resource Definition Programme underway – 3 drill rigs on site



Upgraded 2 Mtpa Process Plant





Upgraded Processing Plant

- Two stage crushing and screening plant
- Primary and secondary jaw crushers
- Installing cone crusher (secondary)
- Wet plant high quality Lump
- Excess capacity at 2 Mtpa rating
- +85% availability



High Quality Products





Excellent Physical Properties

- Wet plant with washing capability
- High porosity Lump high quality
- Consistent Lump and sinter Feed quality
- Single handling of product



Mining Capability and Upgrade

South Pit



Before - May 2011



Current - Jan 2012

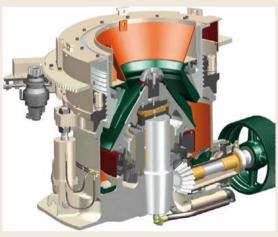
Mine Upgrades

- Mined late 1970/early 1980's
- Mine planning implemented
- Blending from 8 pits
- Core and fuel farm established
- Weighbridge installed
- Secondary jaw crusher replaced with cone crusher
- Water and power upgrades
- Best practices pursued



Growth and Enhancement





Site Upgrades

- Concentrator
- Cone crusher
- Lab and offices
- Bridge







Site Performance





Operational Excellence

- No accidents or incidents to date
- TRIFR = 0
- Public Minister praise for environmental work
- Local municipality acknowledgement for support and citizenship
- Strong union support



Experienced and Proven Senior Management Team

Philip Hopkins

Chief Executive Officer & Executive Director

Qualification: Mining Engineer Years Experience: +30

Prior Roles: BHP Billiton, St Barbara, Placer Dome. Has managed mining operations across four continents

Dion Cohen

Chief Financial Officer (Sydney)

Qualification: Chartered Accountant

Years Experience: +18
Prior Roles: Ernst & Young,
International Ferro Metals

Helvecio Pires

Chief Operating Officer (Brazil)

Qualification: Mining Engineer (MBA Business Management)

Years Experience: +23
Prior Roles: Vale, MMX

Jose Marcio Paixao

Chief Development Officer (Brazil)

Qualification: Mining Engineer

(PhD Metallurgy + Electrochemistry)

Years Experience: +26

Prior Roles: Vale, earthXM Mining

Corp

Eduardo Freitas

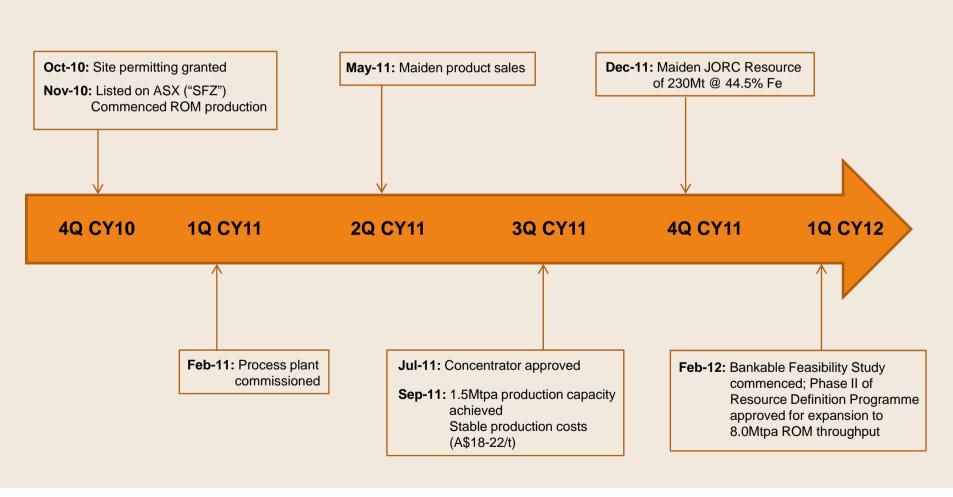
Chief Commercial Officer (Brazil)

Qualification: Economics Years Experience: +8 Prior Roles: CSN/NAMISA

Strong, experienced, proven Brazilian & Australian Management Team



Ponto Verde Iron Ore Project – Milestones Achieved





Geology & Resource Base is Strong

Setting

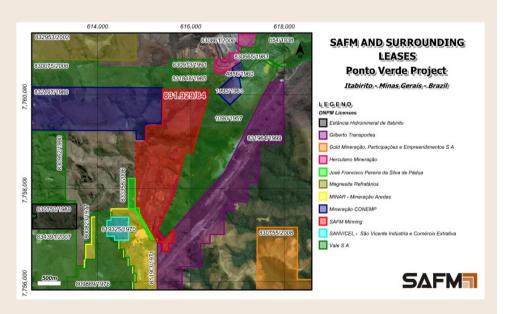
- Iron ore unit runs North East to South West
- Deposit divided by Vale to the east
- Herculano Operations north east of site
- Ore continues to the south



Located in the heart of Brazil's prolific and historic Iron Ore Quadrilateral

Geology

- Deposit is hematite-rich itabirite ore
- Exploration Target 300 350 Mt @ 40-44% Fe⁽¹⁾



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JORC resource underpins strategy

- Resource estimate of **230.6Mt** @ **44.52% Fe** confirmed to JORC standards by Coffey Mining (combined Indicated and Inferred).
- Underpins strategy to process up to 8Mtpa for more than 10 years.
- Includes Indicated component of 60.6Mt at 41.61% Fe approximately 26% has been categorised as Indicated.
- Overall grade improved to 44.52% from 39.18%.
- Additional deep drilling, along with exploration of areas not accessed in Phase 1, to be explored subsequently.

Ponto Verde Iron Ore Project – December 2011 Resource Estimate

Grade Tonnage Table – 19th Dec 2011									
Mineral Resources - SAFM – Ponto Verde Iron Ore Mine – Global JORC Resource									
	Block Model: 50m X 25m X 10m (25m X 12.5m X 10m) – Grade cut off applied: 30%Fe								
Lithology	Resource Class	Tonnes (Mt)	Fe (%)	SiO ₂ (%)	Al ₂ O ₃ (%)	Mn (%)	P (%)	LOI (%)	
	Total - Global JORC Resource								
	Indicated	60.6	41.61	32.88	2.02	1.449	0.076	3.26	
Total	Inferred	170.0	45.55	24.33	3.27	1.499	0.075	4.06	
	Total / Average	230.6	44.52	26.58	2.94	1.484	0.075	3.86	



BFS Commenced; Phase II Resource Definition Programme Approved

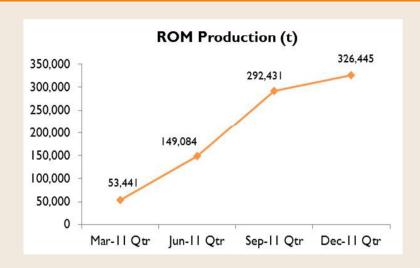
- LogiCamms appointed to conduct Bankable Feasibility Study (BFS) on expansion of Ponto Verde Iron Ore mine to a capacity of **8Mtpa ROM throughput**, from current 1.5Mtpa licenced capacity.
- Phase II of the Resource Definition Programme approved, aimed at increasing indicated resources at Ponto Verde, and to increase the overall deposit in line with the Exploration Target of 300-350Mt at 40-44% Fe⁽¹⁾.
- Increased Indicated Resource to support production level of 8Mtpa with more than 10 years of mineable ore.

South American Ferro Metals – Bankable Feasibility Study - Phase I Expansion to 8.0 Mtpa														
Feasibility Study														
Permits														
Detailed Engineering														
Long Lead Items														
Construction														
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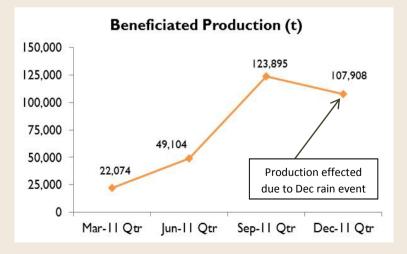
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Production



- Four consecutive quarters of improved ROM production
- Second shift introduced from May-11
- Third shift introduced from Sep-11
- Throughput rate increased to 220 tph in Feb-12
- Cone crusher being installed increase rate to 270 tph Apr-12



- Beneficiation plant commissioned in Feb-11
- Two stage crushing and screening plant
- 1-in-100 year rain event in Dec-11 impacted production
- High quality Lump product clean and porous
- Concentrator to be commissioned Apr-12
- Current 45% Mass recovery moving to 60% in May-12



Product and Site Enhancements

- Currently producing Lump and Sinter Feed
- Underflow Fines stockpiled for processing through Concentrator scheduled for April 2012

	Small Lump	Sinter Feed	Fines
Size (mm)	10 - 24mm	2 – 10 mm	< 2 mm
Grade (% Fe)	59.5 – 60.0%	60.0 - 60.5%	+62.0%
% of Feed	18%	25%	27%

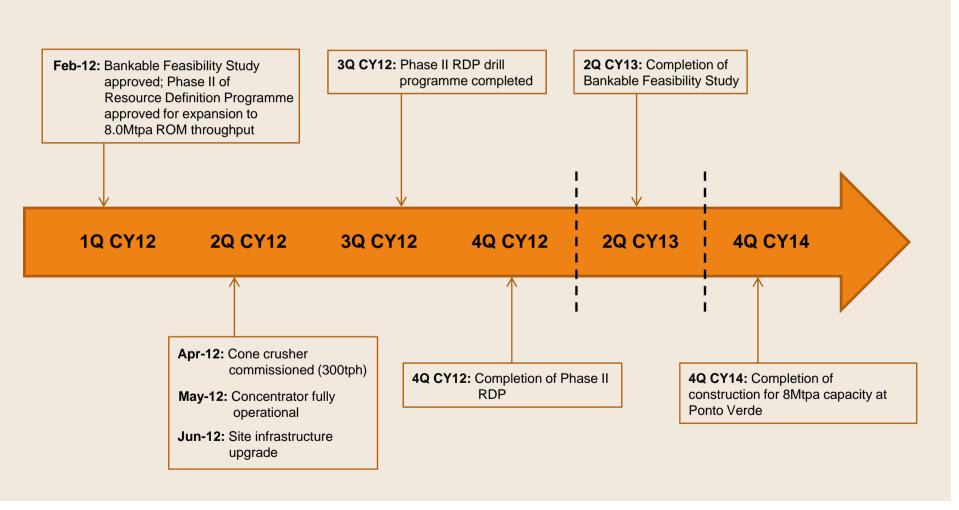
- Ongoing site upgrades with concentrator approval in July 2011 and cone crusher approval in January 2012
- Completed site upgrades include: 3rd GenSet power station

 - Weight Bridge
 - Upgrades wash water system
 - Core Farm
 - Fuel Farm
 - Signage and external postings
 Increased settling capacity

- Bridge Replacement & Road Upgrade
- Pit Bench system
- Mining Fleet
- Tools storage area
- Housekeeping (10kt scrap)



Outlook





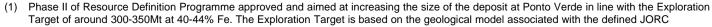
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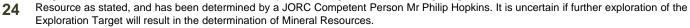
- Cone crusher and concentrator to come online in 2Q CY2012 delivering higher profitability and cash flow lift
- BFS and Phase II of Resource Definition Programme to underpin organic growth in future years
- Site infrastructure upgrade to maintain excellent operational efficiency and safety standards
- Further value extracted from flagship Ponto Verde Iron Ore mine
- Inorganic growth and expansion from potential new project in Brazil or Columbia



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Information in this statement that relates to the JORC resource at Ponto Verde is based on information compiled by Bernardo Horta Cerqueira Viana of Coffey Mining (Brazil) who is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr Viana has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he has undertaken to qualify as a "Competent Person" as defined in the 2004 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore reserves (the JORC Code). Mr Viana consents to the inclusion in this announcement of the statements based on his information in the form and context in which they appear.

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