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A long-exposure photograph of a city street at night. The street is dark, but the lights from buildings and street lamps create a vibrant scene. Numerous red light trails streak across the sky and street, suggesting traffic or light art. The buildings are illuminated from within, and some have blue and white lights. A street sign is visible on the right side of the image.

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Sustainable development in action

Running a safe, responsible and profitable business

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AIFR in H1 2019

65% ↓

Reduction in carbon footprint at Kennecott through closing coal plant and renewable energy certificates

New water and climate targets underway

134

Data released for 134 tailings facilities

Collaborating to enable long term economic benefits

Taxes paid report released

'Contracts with governments' disclosure

2nd

Corporate Human Rights benchmark

1st

Collaboration on Australia's first automation qualifications

Pioneering materials for human progress

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Additional aluminium assets undergoing ASI certification

Zero

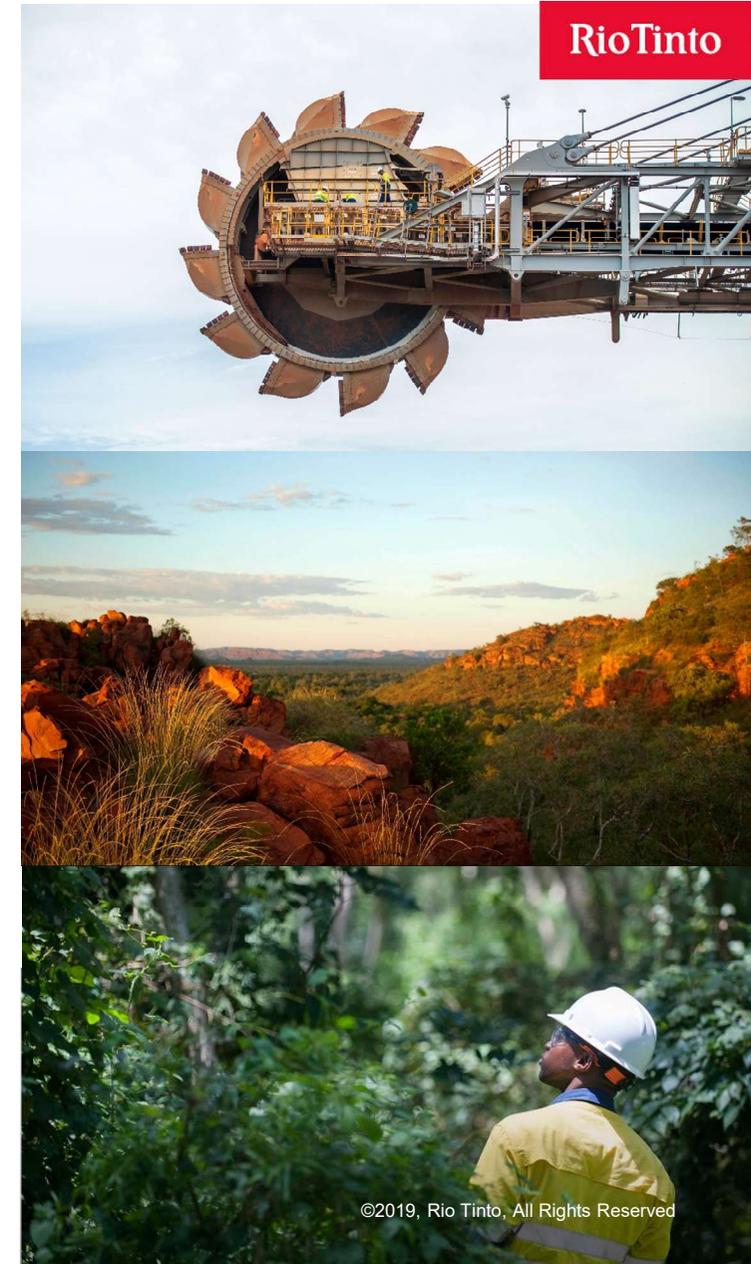
Coal production in H1 2019

\$0.3bn

Additional investment in Resolution Copper in Arizona

Elysis

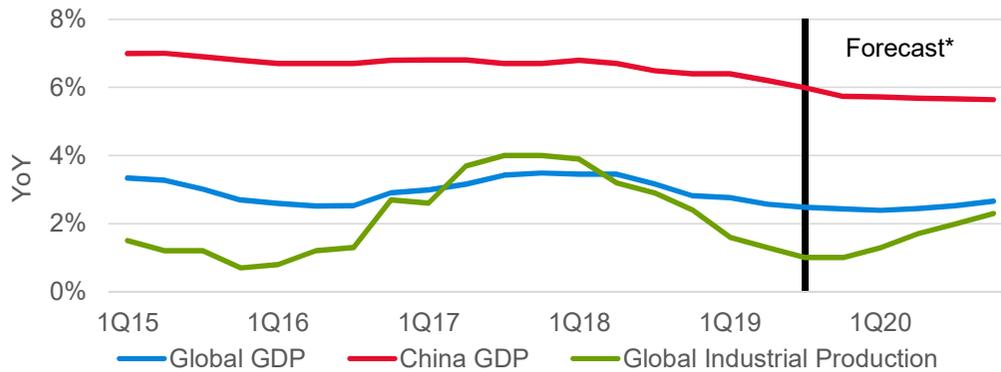
New R&D facility to develop carbon free aluminium



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Stable Chinese indicators

Global GDP & IP



Global economic growth

- Global growth tracking at 2015/16 cyclical lows
- Trade policy uncertainty weighing on global industrial growth
- Major economy central banks becoming more accommodative

China's Fixed Asset Investment growth

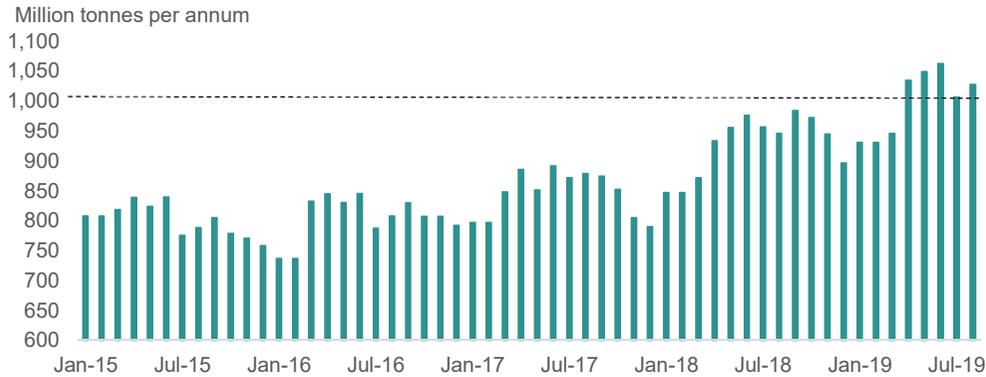


China's industrial activity mixed

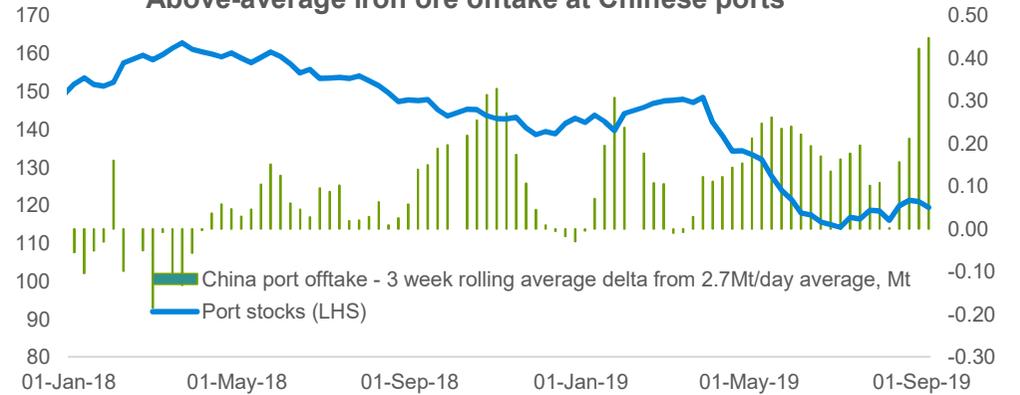
- Property and infrastructure providing a cushion for other parts of the economy that are slowing
- Uncertainty over trade tensions impacting manufacturing sector
- The government continues to signal targeted loosening in the coming quarters

Robust iron ore and steel fundamentals

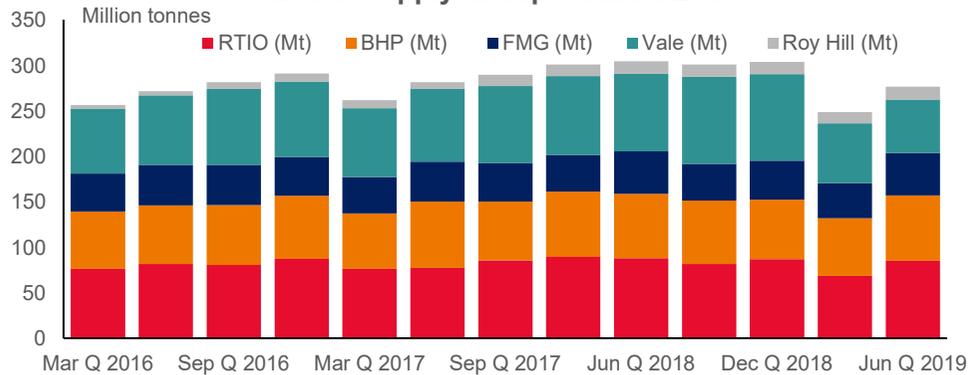
>1Btpa steel production in China



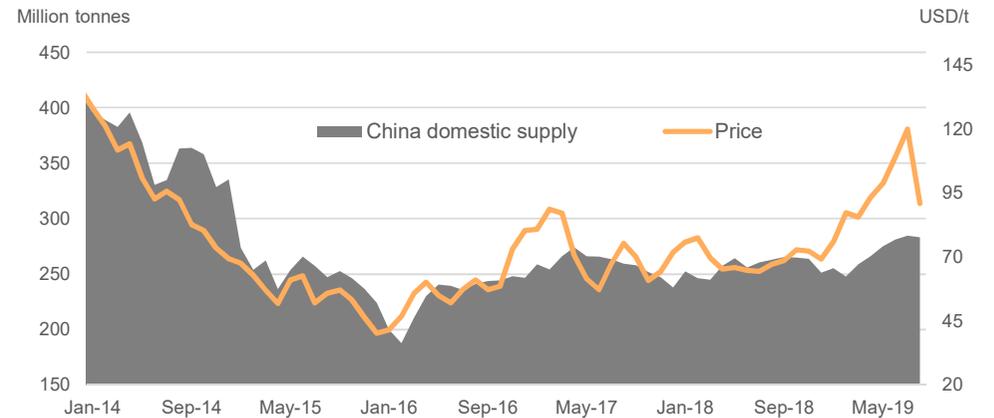
Above-average iron ore offtake at Chinese ports



Seaborne supply disrupted in H1 2019

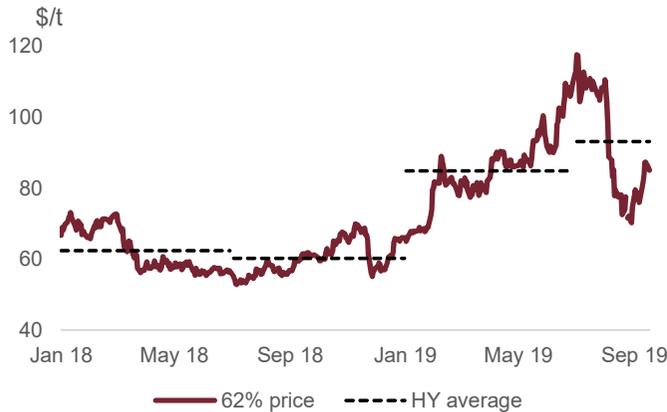


Obstacles to Chinese domestic supply response



Strong iron ore prices partly offset by challenging aluminium and copper market conditions

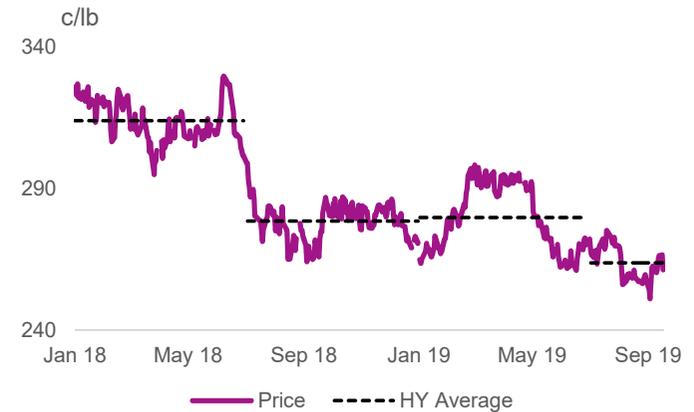
Iron Ore* (55% increase YoY)



Aluminium** (12% decrease YoY)



Copper** (5% decrease YoY)



Global steel production growth of 4.4% in H1 2019 (YoY)

Disrupted seaborne supply throughout H1 2019 (down ~6%)

Iron ore stocks at port reduced by ~20% in H1 2019

Global demand growth dipped to ~1% in H1 2019 (YoY)

Increased supply from lifting of sanctions

Significant proportion of producers currently unprofitable

Macro headwinds and trade concerns impacting sentiment

Record copper net shorts

Supply disruptions of ~3% in H1 2019

Strong financial results

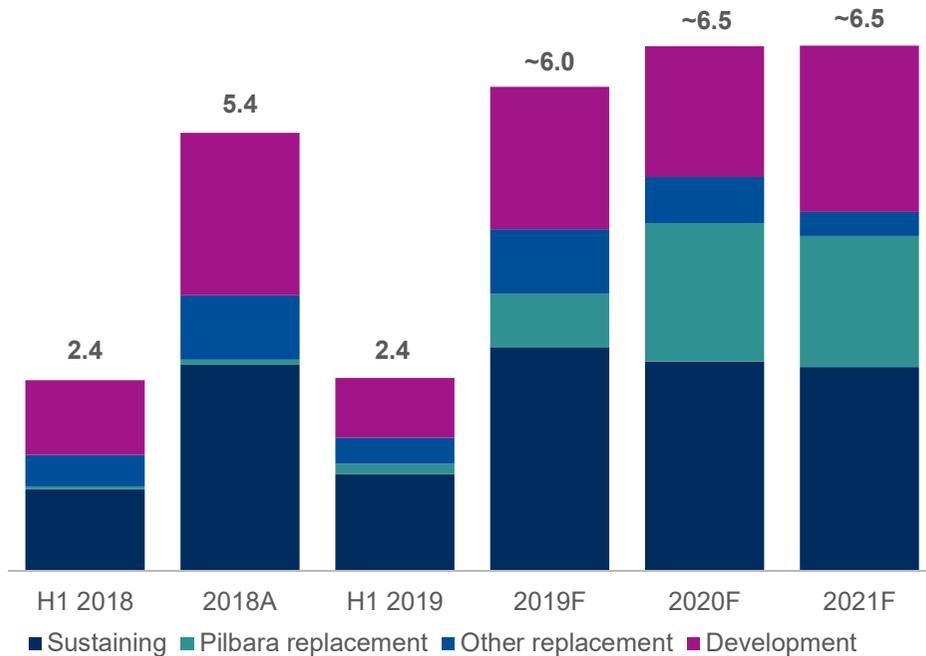
(\$bn)	H1 2019	H1 2018	Comparison
Gross revenue	21.8	21.2	+ 3%
Underlying EBITDA	10.3	9.2	+ 11%
EBITDA margin (%)	47%	43%	+ 4pp
Cash flow from operations*	7.2	5.2	+ 39%
Free cash flow*	4.7	2.9	+ 64%
Underlying earnings	4.9	4.4	+ 12%
Net earnings	4.1	4.4	- 6%
ROCE (%)	23%	19%	+ 4pp
Dividends and share buy-backs announced	3.5	3.2	+ 9%
Pro-forma net debt	5.6	9.3	- 40%

* Excludes capital gains tax paid on divestments of \$0.9 billion

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Disciplined investment of capital

Capital expenditure profile
\$ billion



H1 2019 capex of \$2.4 billion
 – Sustaining capex of \$1.2 billion
 – Development capex of \$1.2 billion

Pilbara replacement capital includes Koodaideri and Robe River

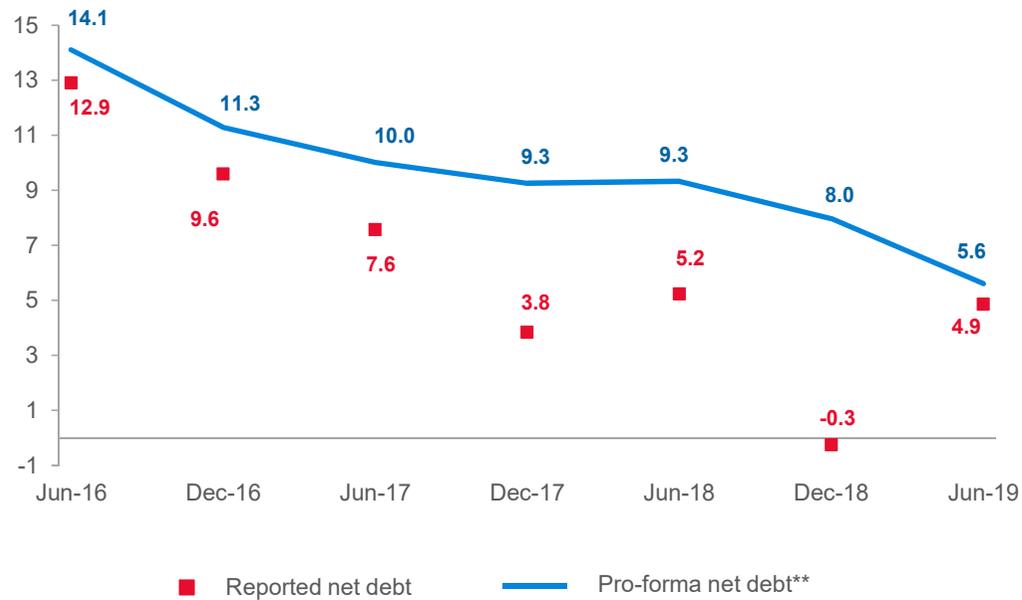
Development capital delivers 2% CAGR (2019 – 2023)

Potential for timing of spend to be pushed from 2019 to 2020



A strong balance sheet

Net debt \$ billion



Increase in reported net debt reflects operating cash flows of \$7.2* billion, net of:

- Payment of dividends of \$6.8 billion
- Share buy-back of \$1.0 billion
- Capex of \$2.4 billion
- Tax on divestments of \$0.9 billion
- IFRS 16 (change to lease accounting) impact of \$1.2 billion

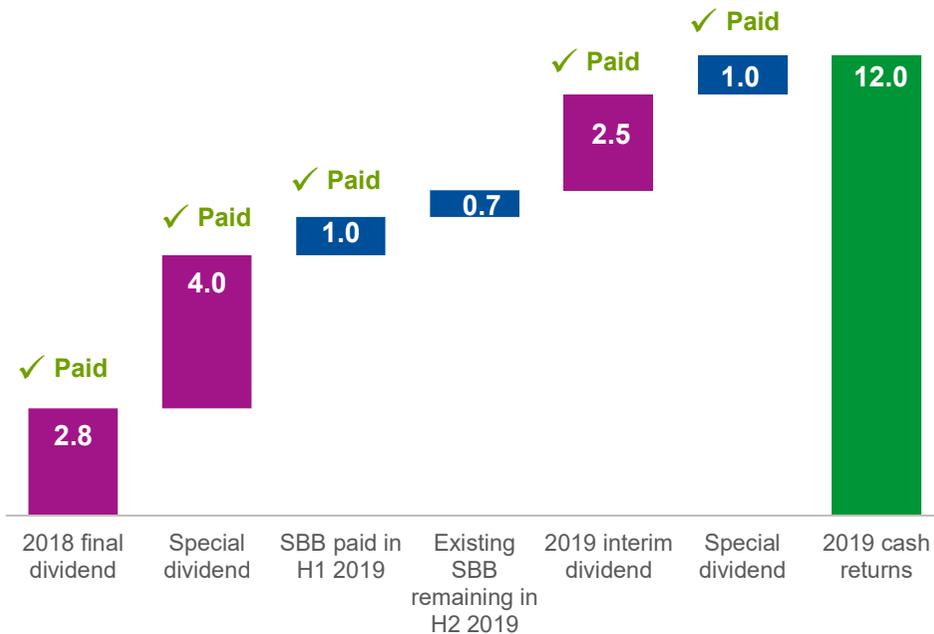
Committed cash outflows for H2 2019 include:

- \$0.7 billion in buy-backs by February 2020 previously announced in November 2018

* Excludes capital gains tax paid on divestments of \$0.9 billion | ** Pro forma net debt adjusts for the remainder of previously announced buy-backs from operations, lags in shareholder returns from disposal proceeds, Australian tax lag and disposal-related tax lag, and the impact of IFRS lease accounting change for the prior periods. The lease accounting change is reflected in the June 2019 reported net debt

Delivering superior returns

2019 cash returns paid to shareholders* \$ billion



Interim 2019 returns to shareholders of **\$3.5 billion** announced

- Interim dividend of \$2.5 billion or 151 US cents per share paid in September 2019
- Special dividend of \$1.0 billion or 61 US cents per share paid in September 2019
- Represents 70% of underlying earnings
- Total interim returns of \$3.5 billion, 9% higher than H1 2018

Strong base for future growth and profitability

Safety is our #1 priority

Consistent financial discipline

\$12bn

Paid* to shareholders in 2019, cash generative assets and strong balance sheet

Attractive growth opportunities

2% CuEq

Annual growth rate to 2023 from broad pipeline of growth opportunities

Operating efficiency

\$1-1.5bn

Additional free cash flow per year from 2021 delivered through our productivity programme

World-class portfolio

23% ROCE

Through a simplified portfolio of long life, low cost assets

21st century mining company

Zero

Coal or oil production plus a leading position in technology and automation

* Includes \$7.8 billion paid in H1 2019, interim and special dividend paid in September, and remaining share buy-back to be completed by Feb-2020

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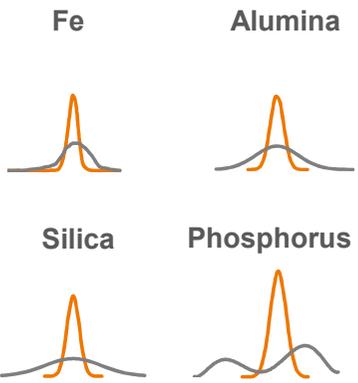
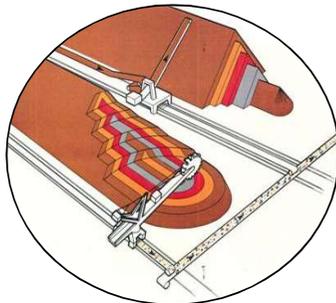
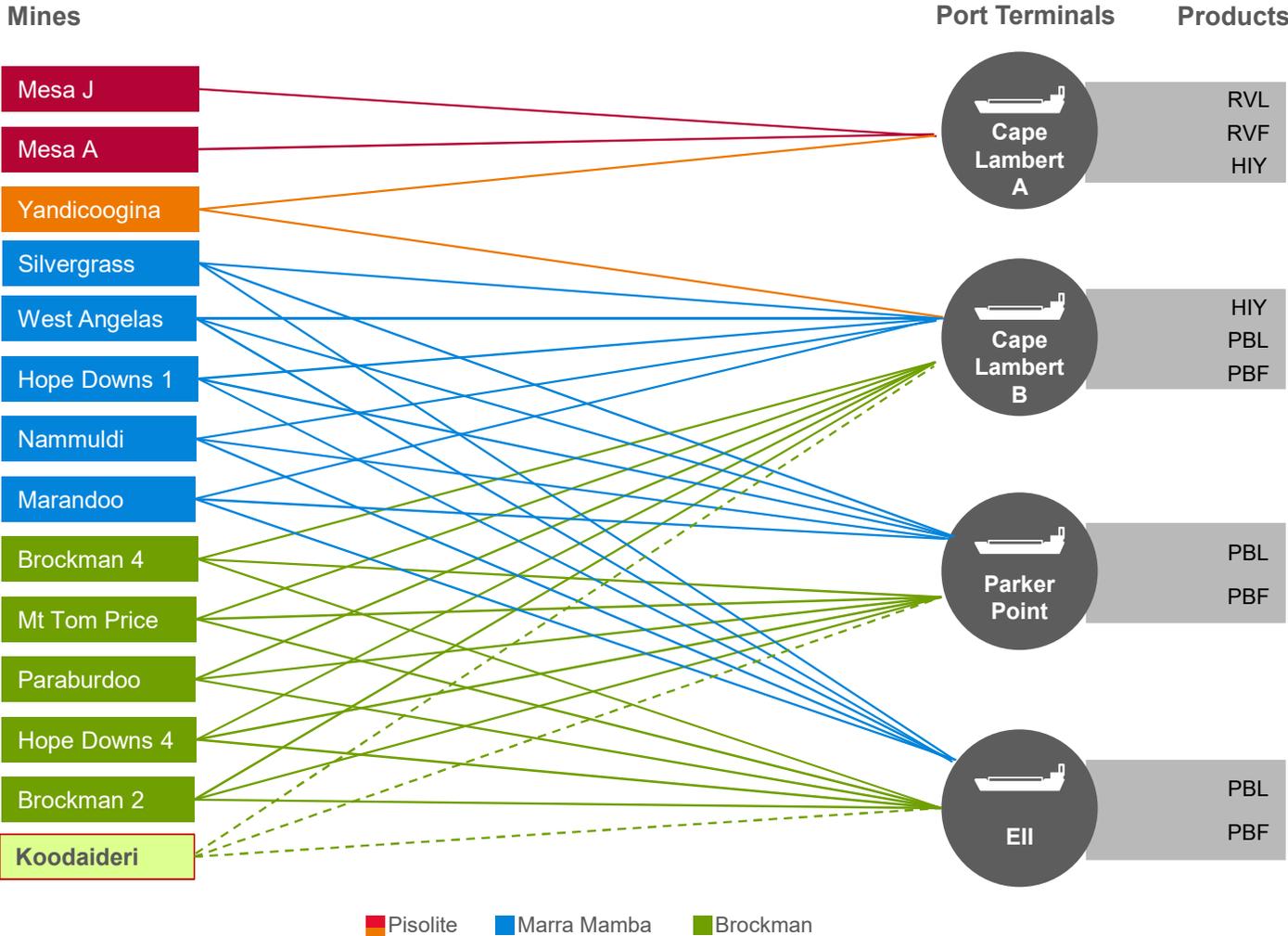
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Appendices

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Delivering quality iron ore through system blending



Improving Iron Ore system performance

Protecting the Pilbara Blend

Mine sequencing challenges and deficit in overburden removal

Additional waste movement programme

- 2019 material movement increase
- Expected cost of ~\$80 million in 2019

Focus on rail capacity continues

Rail maintenance and upgrade to continue into 2020

- Major rail shut in October 2019
- Comprehensive multi-year capital programme

AutoHaul™ fully implemented with all trains on mainline in autonomous mode



Critical infrastructure progresses at Oyu Tolgoi

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Above ground infrastructure

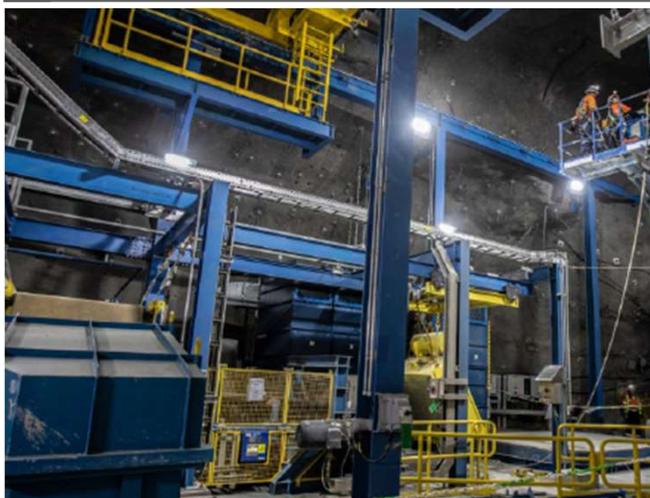


Mine dry building

- ✓ Mine dry and control centre
- ✓ Central heating plant
- ✓ Overland conveyor to stockpile
- ✓ 5,500 person camp
- ✓ Shaft 5 ventilation fans
- ✓ Mine air heaters
- ✓ Batch plant 4 & quarry

2

Shafts & below ground hard infrastructure



Load commissioning of Jaw Crusher

- ✓ Shaft 5 sinking to 1.2km
- ✓ Shaft 2 sinking to 1.3km
- ✓ Shaft 2 Jaw Crusher
- ✓ Ore bin 11 & transfer station
- ✓ Excavation of the Primary Crusher 1 chamber
- ✓ Critical underground facilities

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Mine development

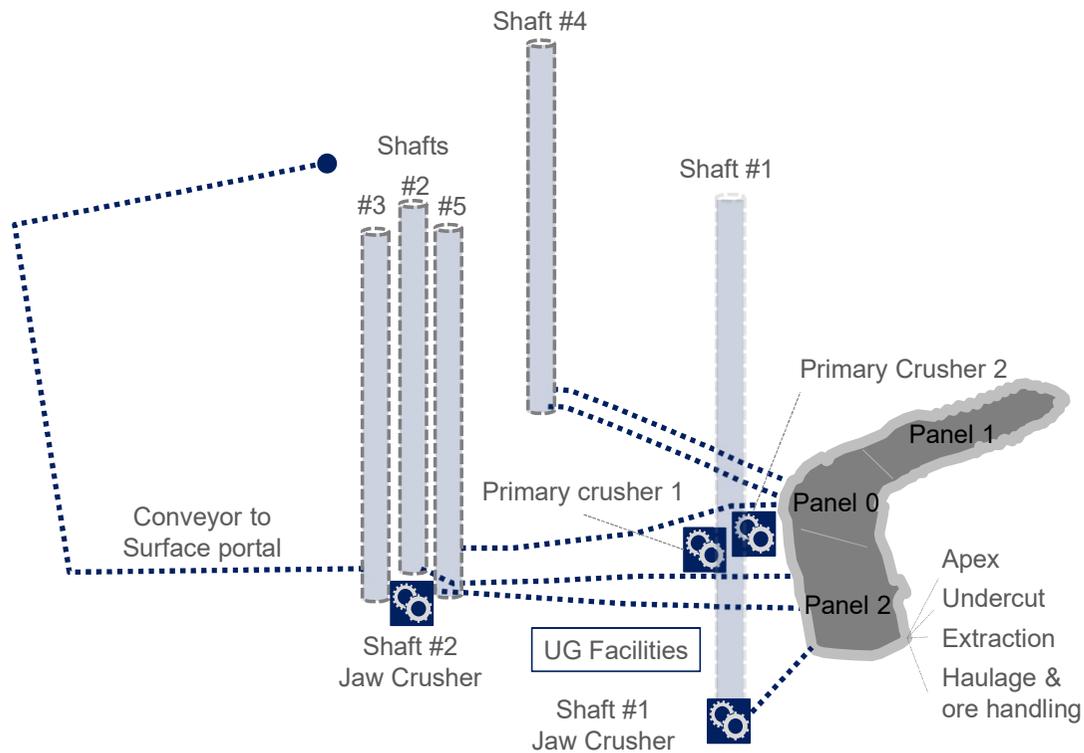


Lateral mine footprint development

- ✓ 24,470 eqm of vertical, lateral and mass excavation development (on & off footprint)

Schedule and cost ranges for Oyu Tolgoi are driven by four key factors

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| 1 Mid access drives | 2 Footprint development productivity | 3 Location of ore handling infrastructure | 4 Panel boundary transitions |
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One of the best undeveloped copper resources in the world

Assessing a number of mine design options given more challenging rock conditions

- Definitive estimate expected in H2 2020
- Delay to first sustainable production of 16 to 30 months
- Revised budget \$6.5 - \$7.2 billion

Significant progress on critical infrastructure, complete or nearing completion and not impacted by any mine design change

Shaft 2 on track for commissioning in October 2019