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Chairman's Address to 2023 AGM

Let me start by noting that FY23 was the ninth consecutive year that Silver Lake has delivered on its annual guidance.

This was a particularly pleasing result and a credit to our team given the challenging operating climate that continued across the mining industry throughout the year.

Silver Lake delivered gold sales of 260,478 ounces and copper sales of 1,325 tonnes copper in FY 23 at an AISC of A\$1,941 per ounce.

Sales were underpinned by the Western Australian operations with firstly, a second consecutive year of record production and sales from the high margin Deflector operation and secondly, another strong performance from the underground operations at Mount Monger.

While operations continued at Sugar Zone throughout FY23, mine production and processing activities were idled in early FY24.

To provide the foundations necessary to improve the operating performance at Sugar Zone, the first phase of capital investment to upgrade core underground and surface infrastructure was undertaken in FY 23 and FY 24 will see the next phase of this plan progressed.

A key component of our plan for Sugar Zone in FY 24 includes the investment in a 93,000 metre drill program on prioritised grade control, resource definition and advanced exploration targets both within the mine and regionally on our large and prospective land holding in the province.

Silver Lake believes there is a significant opportunity at Sugar Zone for a strategic “reset” at this operation through the application of more efficient operating practices and further discovery.

Silver Lake reported a statutory NPAT of A\$31 million for FY23, which included a non-cash tax expense of \$28 million.

EBITDA for FY23 was A\$248 million at an EBITDA margin of 35%.

Cash and bullion at the end of FY23 was of \$333 million, with no debt.

As at 30 June 2023, Silver Lake's Mineral Resources were 6.2 million ounces and the Company's Ore Reserves were 1.4 million ounces.

Silver Lake's Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves are all located within established mining centres and provide a strong platform for further Mineral Resource growth and Ore Reserve conversion at all operations.

Silver Lake's investment in exploration in FY23 was \$25 Million.

In FY24, Silver Lake has once again budgeted to make a significant investment in exploration, with \$43 million to be invested across the operations.

In line with Silver Lake's well-versed strategy to build a “larger, longer life and lower cost” business, the Company made an ultimately unsuccessful offer to acquire the Gwalia operations from St Barbara Limited in FY23.

Post year end, our ongoing commitment to building that “larger, longer life and lower cost” business saw Silver Lake acquire a strategic ~11.8% shareholding in Red 5 Limited, which owns the King of Hills operation and an established broader footprint in the Leonora district in Western Australia.

Silver Lake’s FY24 sales guidance of between 210,000 to 230,000 ounces represents consistent year on year output from the Australian operations at an AISC of A\$1,850 to A\$2,050 per ounce.

All exploration and capital expenditure will continue to be internally funded through operating cashflow and the continued free cash flow generation through FY24 has Silver Lake well positioned to prudently execute a “through the cycle” growth strategy on a “margin over ounces” basis for the benefit of shareholders.

In closing, on behalf of the Board, I would like to thank the Company’s employees for their dedicated service and resilience over the past 12 months, and without whom the achievements of the past year would not have been possible.

I would also like to acknowledge our suppliers, contractors and shareholders who continue to support our strategy of delivering today, developing for tomorrow and discovering for the future.

This announcement was authorised for release to ASX by Luke Tonkin, Managing Director. For more information about Silver Lake and its projects please visit our web site at www.slrltd.com.

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