



ASX Announcement | 2 February 2024

## Suspension Notice - Clarification

**Battery and critical metals explorer and developer Pan Asia Metals Limited (ASX: PAM) ('PAM' or 'the Company')** requested a voluntary suspension in its securities from ASX on the 1<sup>st</sup> of February, 2024, (Suspension) pending the release of an announcement in relation to a proposed equity raise by way of placement (Placement).

The Company has received several enquiries from its shareholders expressing concern as to the purpose of the Suspension. To clarify, the Suspension is voluntary in nature and was requested by the Company while discussions with a strategic investor continue regarding that investor's participation in the Placement.

The Company expects the voluntary suspension will last until the earlier of the commencement of trading on 8 February 2024 or a release to the market by the Company in relation to the outcome of the Placement.

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Authorised by:  
Chairman and Managing Director

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## **ABOUT PAN ASIA METALS LIMITED (ASX:PAM)**

Pan Asia Metals Limited is the only publicly traded battery materials company with lithium projects in South-East Asia and South America, and with agreements with key battery and chemical producers in the Asian region to produce advanced battery chemicals.

PAM's Asian assets are strategically located in Thailand – the largest vehicle producer in the region. With Asia accounting for more than half of the global annual vehicle production, PAM is uniquely positioned to capitalize on the soaring demand for battery minerals in the region. PAM's South American assets are strategically located in the Atacama region of Chile, it is one of South America's largest and most strategically positioned lithium brine projects, situated at an altitude of 800-1100m with all necessary transport and energy infrastructure and only 75km from Iquique, a well-equipped coastal city with a population of 200,000, a deep water bulk and container port, and regular flights to Santiago.

PAM's dedication to producing innovative, high-value products with a minimal carbon footprint makes us an ideal partner for meeting our needs in both battery chemicals and sustainable energy. PAM is also a respected local company, with a strategy focused on developing an integrated supply chain to cost-effectively deliver relevant and in-demand products to the Li-ion battery market.

PAM is rapidly advancing its lithium projects through to feasibility and plans to expand its global lithium resource sustainably through its extensive holdings in Asia and South America.

To learn more, please visit: [www.panasiametals.com](http://www.panasiametals.com)

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## **Competent Persons Statement**

The information in this report that relates to Mineral Resources is based on information compiled by Ms Millicent Canisius and Mr Anthony Wesson, both full-time employees of CSA Global. Mr Anthony Wesson is a Fellow and Chartered Professional of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and Ms Millicent Canisius is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr Anthony Wesson and Ms Millicent Canisius have sufficient experience, relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which they are undertaking, to qualify as Competent Persons as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for the Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (JORC Code). Mr Anthony Wesson and Ms Millicent Canisius consent to the disclosure of the information in this report in the form and context in which it appears.

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Targets and Exploration Results, is based on information compiled by Mr. David Hobby, is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr. Hobby is a full time employee, Director and Shareholder of Pan Asia Metals Limited. Mr. Hobby has sufficient experience, relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity that he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (JORC Code). Mr. Hobby consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

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## **Important**

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## Tama Atacama Lithium Brine Project

The Tama Atacama Lithium Project distinguishes itself as one of South America's largest and most strategically positioned lithium brine projects with ~120,000ha (~1,200km<sup>2</sup>) of granted exploration licenses or exploration license applications over which PAM has entered into binding Option Agreements to Purchase 100% of the project area. See Figure 1 and PAM ASX announcement “Tama Atacama Lithium Option Agreements Signed” dated 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 2023.

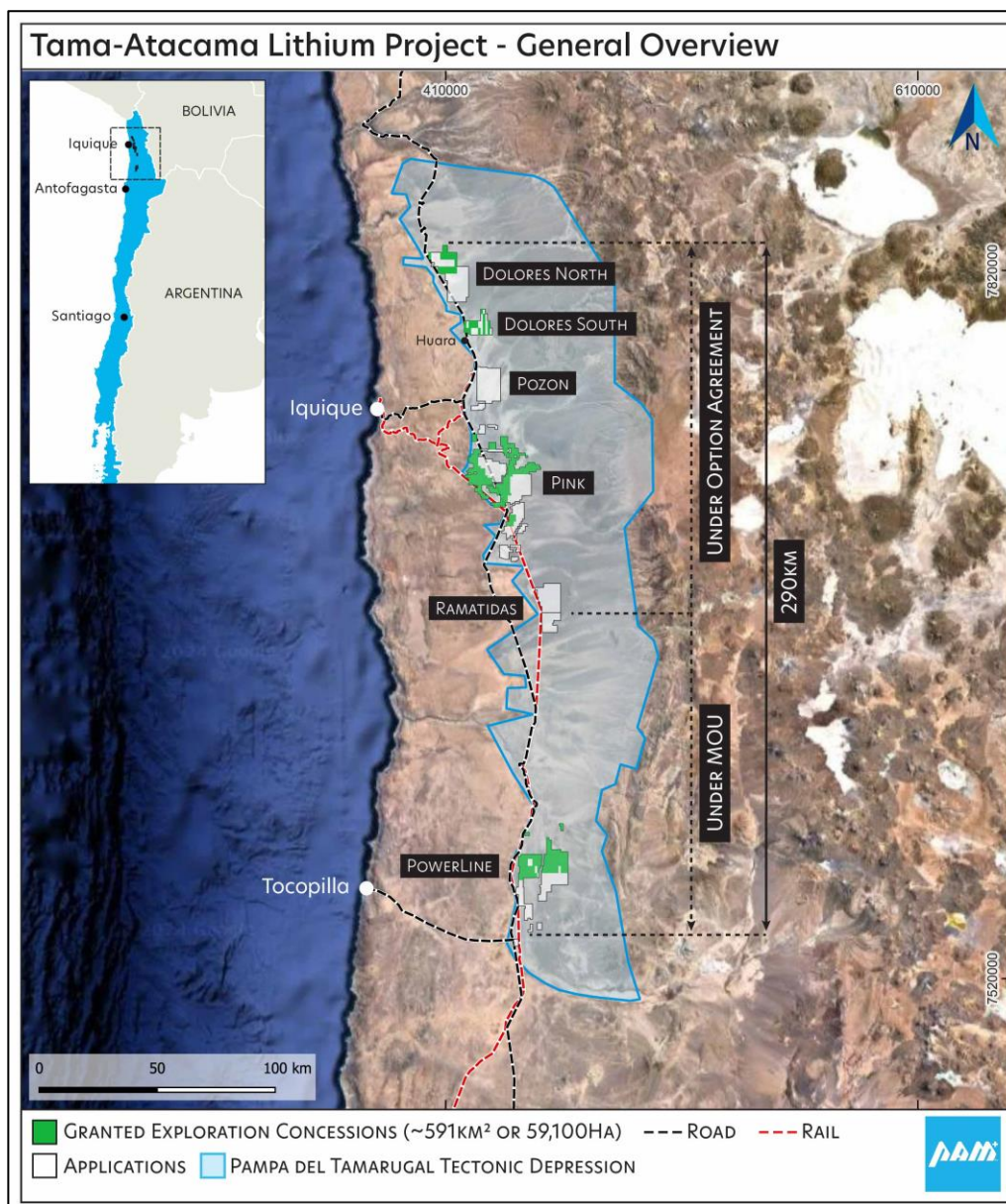


Figure 1. Tama Atacama Lithium Project: General Geography

The project sits within the 12,500km<sup>2</sup> Pampa del Tamarugal Basin, which is located in the Atacama Desert in northern Chile. Reconnaissance work suggests similar geochemical signatures to Salar de Atacama. Analysis of historical geophysics (seismic) show a very large basin up to 600m deep.



Extensive lithium surface anomalies with lithium results up to 2,200ppm Li, and averaging 700ppm Li (56/177 assays, 270ppm cutoff) extend over ~160km, see Figure 2.

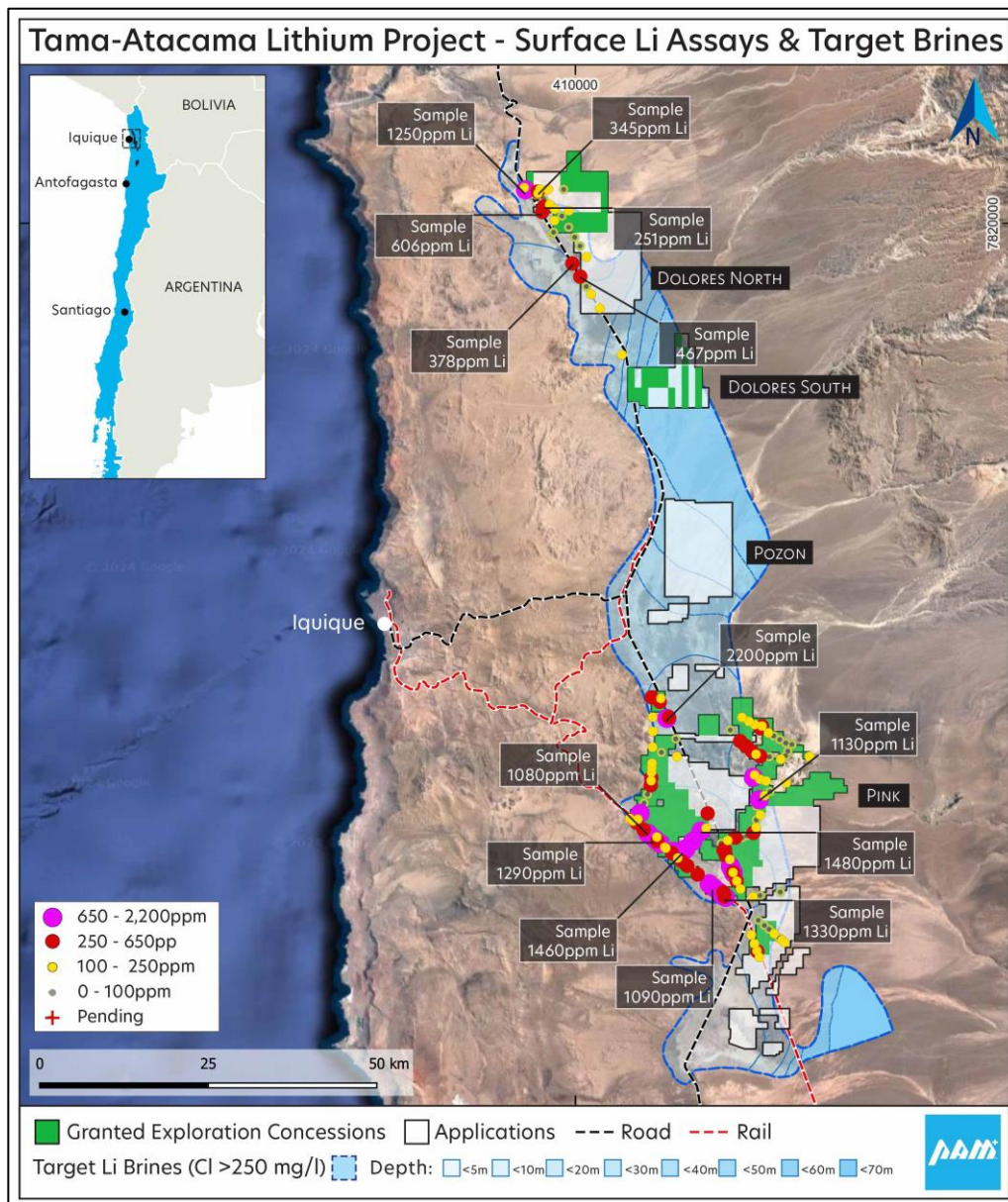
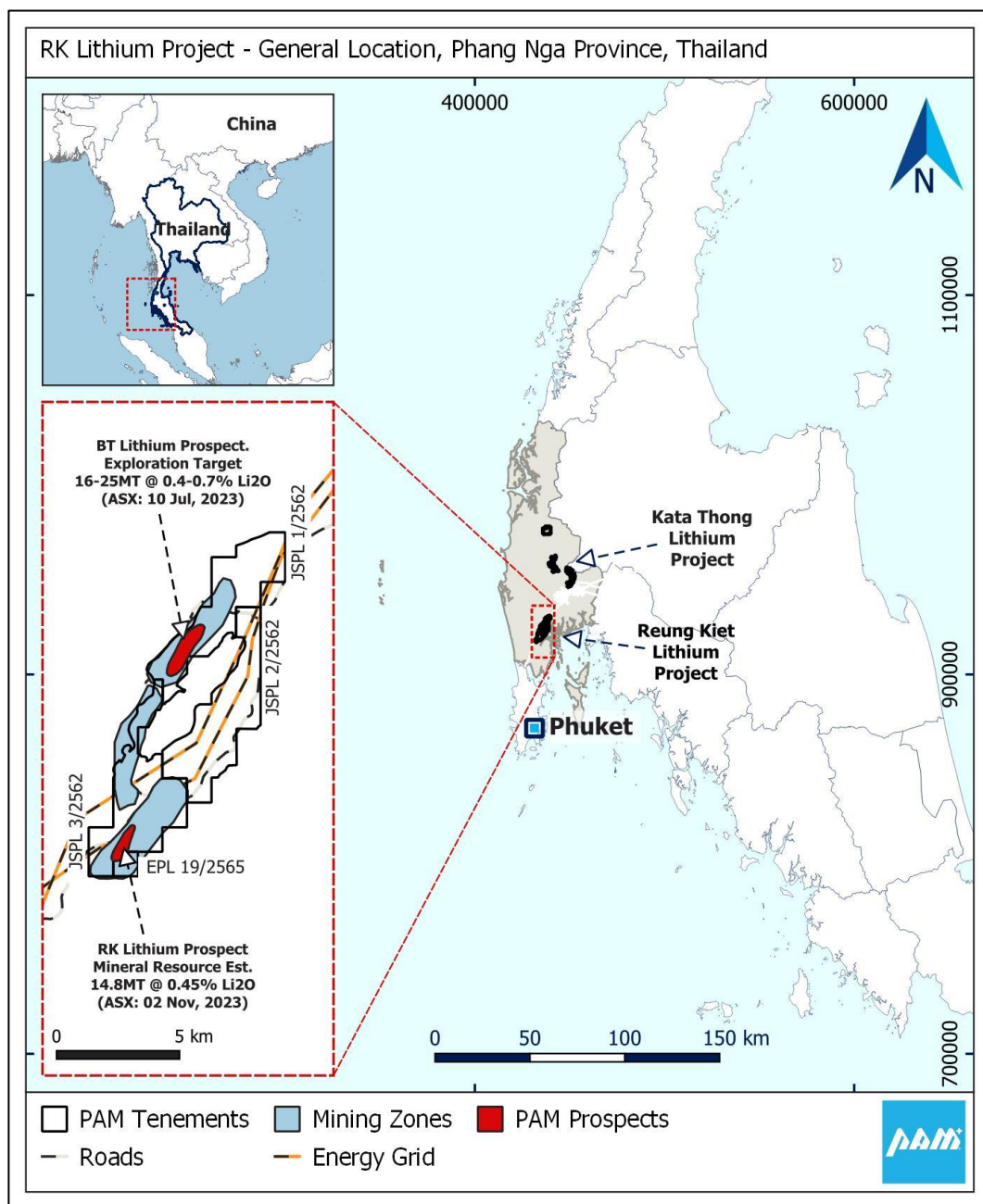


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The Project is situated at an altitude of 800-1100m, it is one of the lowest-lying lithium brine projects globally, and the project is set in a hyper-arid environment with very high evaporation rates, is well-supported with all necessary transport and energy infrastructure, and is situated 40-60km from the coast and only 75km from Iquique, a well-equipped coastal city with a population of 200,000, a deep water bulk and container port, and regular flights to Santiago. Tama Atacama is only 75km from Port of Patillos, Chile's largest salt export terminal, providing PAM a potential solution for waste salt, and several pipelines pump sea water through PAM's project areas, providing a potential solution to achieving water balance.

## RK Lithium Project

The RK Lithium Project ('RKLP'), inclusive of the RK Lithium Prospect (RK) and the BT Lithium Prospect (BT), is one of PAM's key assets. RKLP is a hard rock lithium project with lithium hosted in lepidolite/muscovite rich pegmatites chiefly composed of quartz, feldspar, lepidolite and muscovite both lithium bearing micas, with minor cassiterite and tantalite as well as other accessory minerals. Previous open pit mining extracting tin from the weathered pegmatites was conducted into the early 1970's.



### RK Lithium Prospect

The RK Lithium Prospect (RK) is located about 8km south of the BT Lithium Prospect (BT) in southern Thailand. At RK PAM has estimated a Mineral Resource Estimate of 14.8 million tonnes at a grade 0.45% Li<sub>2</sub>O, containing 164,500 tonnes LCE. See Table 1 and PAM ASX announcement “*Reung Kiet Lithium Project Mineral Resource Update*” dated 2 November, 2023.

**Table 1. RK Lithium Prospect – Mineral Resource at a 0.25% Li<sub>2</sub>O cut-off (2<sup>nd</sup> November 2023)**

Resource Category	Resource (Mt)	Li <sub>2</sub> O %	Sn ppm	Ta <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> ppm	Rb %	Cs ppm	Cont. LCE
Measured	7.80	0.44	410	74	0.20	230	85,289
Indicated	3.26	0.49	349	85	0.20	261	39,375
Inferred	3.74	0.41	390	78	0.19	229	38,252
<b>Total</b>	<b>14.80</b>	<b>0.45</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>0.20</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>164,500</b>

*Note: Contained LCE for individual Resource categories is subject to tonnes and grade rounding.*

The RK Prospect hosts a relatively large open cut tin mine that operated into the 1970’s. The old pit is about 500m long and up to 125m wide. Mining of weathered pegmatites was undertaken by open cut hydraulic methods to about 30m below surface and ceased when hard rock was intersected.

Pan Asia has identified a prospective zone over 1km long. Mineralisation remains open along strike to the north and south, with strong mineralisation particularly evident at surface and at depth in the south. PAM retains a 100% interest in RK.

### BT Lithium Prospect

The BT Lithium Prospect (BT) is located about 8km north of the RK in southern Thailand. At BT PAM has estimated a drill supported Exploration Target of 16 to 25 million tonnes at a grade ranging between 0.4% to 0.7% Li<sub>2</sub>O. See Table 2 and PAM ASX announcement “*Reung Kiet Lithium Project Exploration Target Substantially Increased*” dated 10 July, 2023.

**Table 2 – BT Lithium Prospect - Exploration Target, 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2023**

	Million Tonnes	Li <sub>2</sub> O %	Sn %	Ta <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> (ppm)	Rb %	Cs (ppm)	K (%)
Lower	16.0	0.70	0.16	120	0.30	250	2.80
Upper	25.0	0.40	0.11	95	0.25	200	2.40

The potential quantity and grade of the Exploration Target are conceptual in nature. There has been insufficient exploration to estimate a Mineral Resource and it is uncertain if further exploration will result in the estimation of a Mineral Resource.

The BT hosts a significant historic tin mine that extends for almost 2km along strike. Mining of weathered pegmatites was undertaken by open cut hydraulic methods to about 40m below surface and ceased when hard rock was intersected. PAM retains a 100% interest in BT.