

Linda Zinc Target Doubles in Size

HIGHLIGHTS

- **New zinc soil anomalies discovered outside of the Linda Prospect**
- **Linda's zinc soil anomaly footprint has doubled in size**
- **Initial geological mapping completed**
- **Multiple rock chip assays to be reported shortly**

Critical minerals explorer Stelar Metals Limited (**ASX:SLB**) ("**Stelar Metals**" or the "**Company**") has received new laboratory assays that double the size of the zinc soil anomaly target at its 100%-owned Linda Zinc Project in South Australia. Stelar has five projects that are 100% owned by Stelar Metals and are located in South Australia's premier world class exploration and mining district (Figure 1).

Stelar has extended the soil sampling coverage across the broader Linda region and has doubled the size of the coherent Linda surface footprint (Figures 2 & 3) which now extends over 600m x 300m area with portable XRF results soil results up to 0.7% Zn (sample L066).

Additionally, several areas outside of the Linda Prospect have returned strong zinc anomalism have been discovered including at the contact with the Linda Breccia; to the west of Linda where stratigraphic contacts contain visible mineralisation.

Field work at Linda has also included new geological mapping which has better resolved the structural architecture and the lithofacies distribution, as illustrated in Figure 3.

Multiple rock-chip samples were collected by Stelar from outcrops across the Linda Prospect and an area to the west of Linda where outcrops responded positively to the presence of high-grade zinc using a wet-chemical zinc-zap test. Assays from these surface rock-chip sampling programs are expected to be reported shortly.

Along with upcoming assays results, follow up detailed mapping to define drill targets and optimise drill program design is planned in the coming months. Land access negotiation is also advancing with plans to commence drilling at Linda in 2023.

Stelar Metals Chief Executive Officer Colin Skidmore said:

"The new results doubling the size of the zinc target and identifying additional areas of anomalism at Linda zinc target are impressive and highlight the prospectivity of this region for zinc, a commodity which increasingly is in high demand and used to assist with global electrification though its use in new technology batteries.

"The scale and particularly the direct shipping ore grade of the surface zinc mineralisation at Linda, which is similar to past zinc production from Perilya's nearby Beltana Zinc Mine, is very encouraging and indicates to Stelar the potential for economic mineralisation at depth."

Linda Zinc Assays

The initial Linda surface anomaly reported in May 2022 has been significantly extended both north and south and now covers a 600m x 300m area (Figure 2). At surface, zinc mineralisation is present as smithsonite ($ZnCO_3$), an oxidised weathering product of sphalerite which has been confirmed as coarse infill in BHP’s historic diamond drill holes. Zinc mineralisation is hosted by structurally controlled karst development in Cambrian Wilkawillena Formation grainstone and mudstones.

Stelar considers that the BHP drilling, which only included shallow vertical RC holes to 25m depth and two diamond holes have not adequately tested the Linda Zinc Prospect.

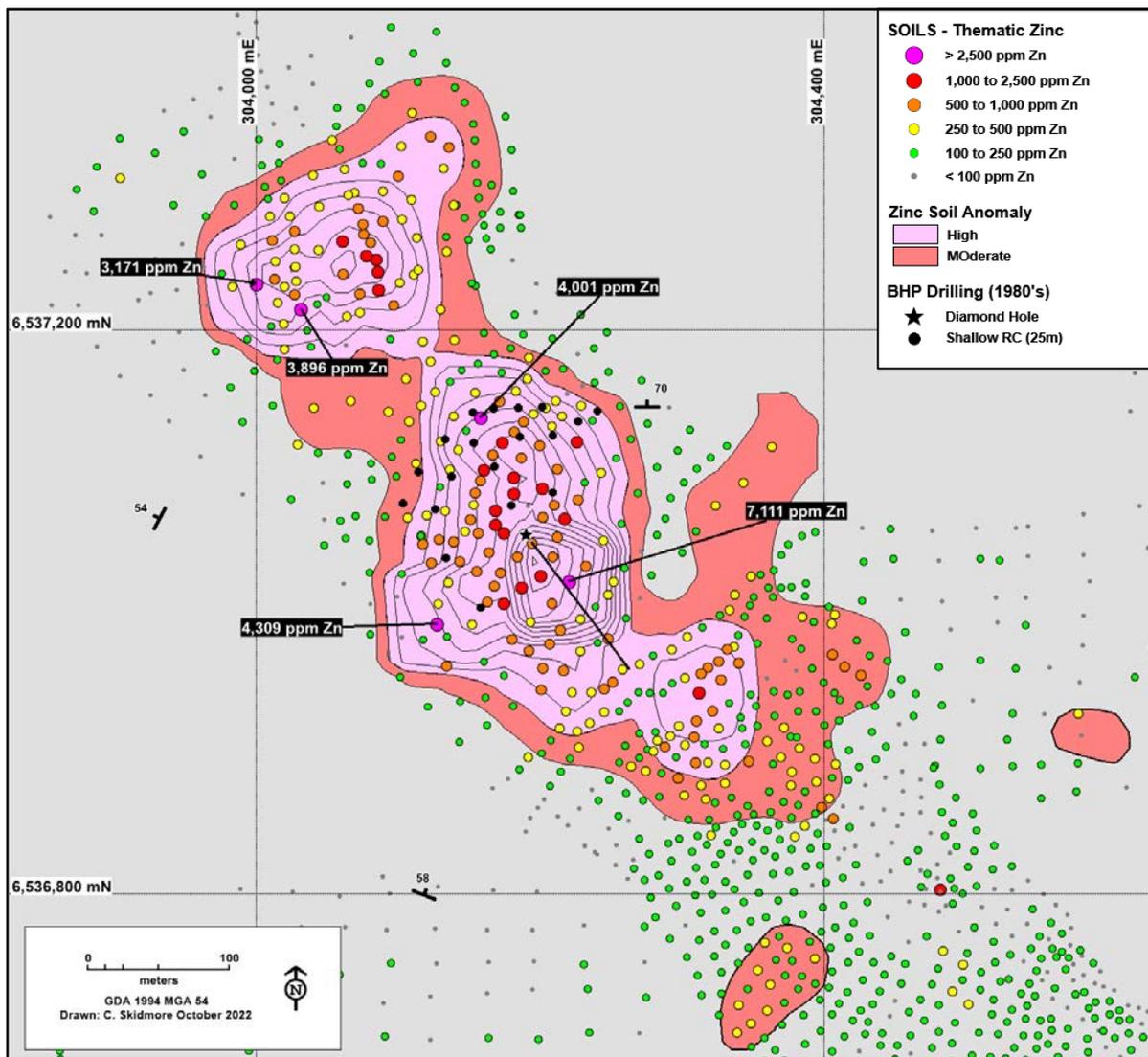


Figure 2: New soil anomaly doubling zinc central target size at Linda showing thematic zinc and the location of historic BHP drilling

Stelar has completed its initial broad-scale geological mapping of the Linda area as illustrated in Figure 3. Additionally, several areas outside of the Linda Prospect have returned strong zinc anomalism have been discovered including at the contact with the Linda Breccia; to the west of Linda where stratigraphic contacts contain visible mineralisation; and to the south in Neo-Proterozoic units of Wonoka Formation carbonates.

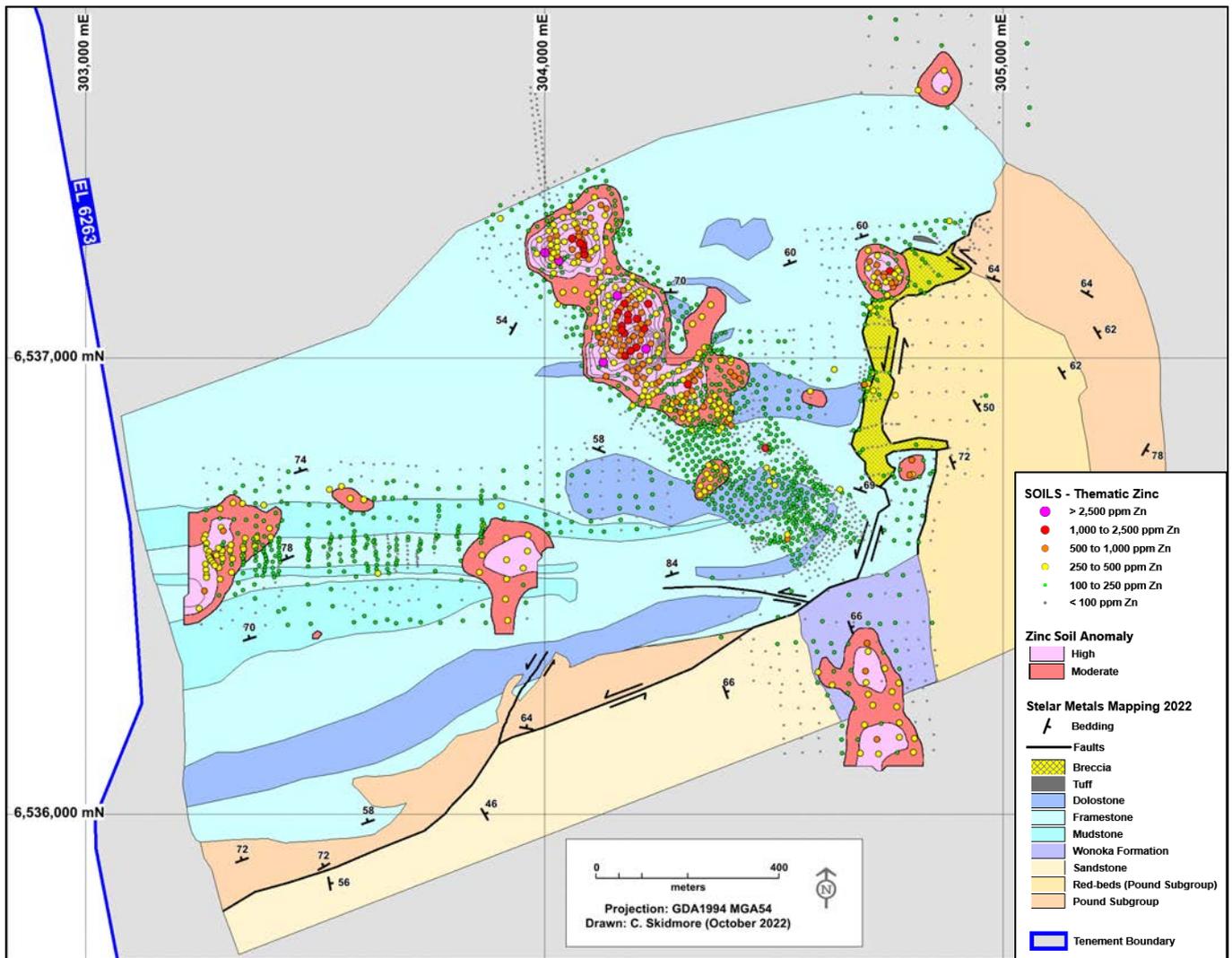


Figure 3: New soil anomalies identified by recent soil surveys expanding zinc potential within greater Linda Prospect showing thematic zinc on Stelar’s recent geological mapping

Stelar has now collected and analysed over 2,250 soil sample locations at Linda using its Niton XL5+ portable XRF (pXRF). To confirm and validate Stelar’s sampling methodology and analysis using pXRF, 100 original samples collected over the northern extension of the original Linda anomaly were also submitted to Intertek Laboratory for the same total digest and 60-element geochemical suite as the rock-chip samples. The results indicate that the pXRF results are comparable, but slightly lower than the laboratory analysis. Therefore, Stelar considers the method of collection and analysis using pXRF is appropriate accuracy and efficient for the purpose of identifying area of zinc surface anomalism.

Next Steps

Subsequent field work over the coming months will continue to extend the surface sampling coverage and validate the newly discovered areas.

Rock chip assays from the recent geological mapping and sampling programs at Linda are expected to be reported shortly.

Detailed mapping and sampling of the Cambrian limestones and structure at Linda by research fellows from Adelaide University are planned to optimise zinc drill targets the positioning of upcoming drilling.

Stelar has commenced negotiating a Native Title Management Agreement with the Traditional Owners and moving through other land access processes to enable planned drilling programs as soon as possible in 2023.

About Linda Zinc Project

High-grade zinc and lead mineralisation at Linda is hosted within similar Cambrian limestone sequences as Perilya's Beltana Zinc Mine and Third Plain Zinc Project located only 10km along strike from Linda (Figure 4). Stelar Metals consider that this area is prospective for economic Mississippi Valley type (MVT) and Beltana-Kipushi type zinc-lead mineralisation as well as Zambian-style copper mineralisation.

The Linda Project has a comparable geological setting to the high-grade copper-zinc mineralisation at Kipushi in the Central African Copper Belt. The Project is underlain by Neoproterozoic to early Cambrian sedimentary rocks on the margin of a regional graben structure between two diapiric breccia bodies. These diapirs and associated faults are a potentially important fluid pathway for metal-bearing brines sourced from deep within the Adelaidean Geosyncline. The Cambrian Limestone sequence at Linda provides a suitable geological environment for the deposition of base-metals in open-fill in karst structures and as replacement mineralisation.

CSA Global's recent field work and report commissioned by Stelar confirmed that the geological setting at Linda is considered highly prospective for economic carbonate-hosted zinc. CSA's study reports that the Linda Project has elements of Irish Type and MVT mineralisation styles and that the geological setting strongly supports the view that the area is prospective for Kipushi-Beltana Type mineralisation.

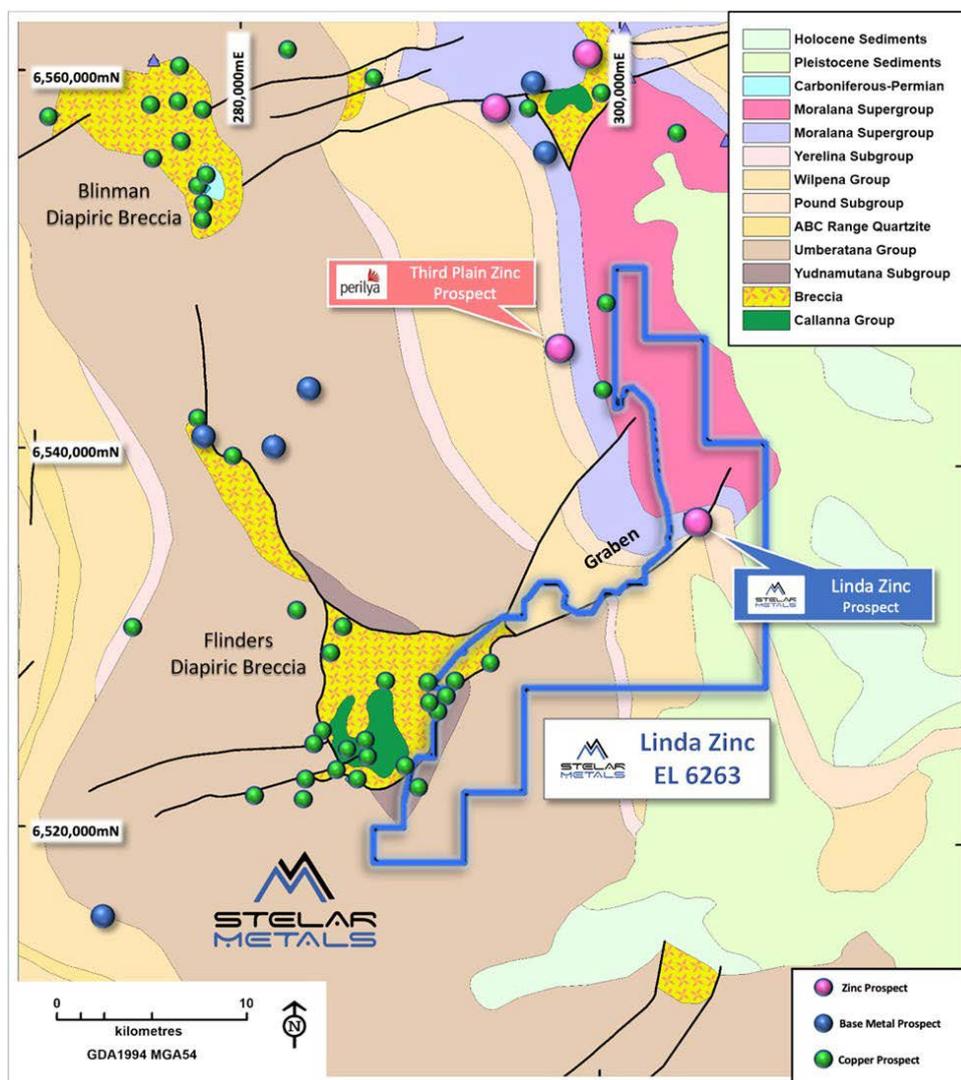


Figure 4: Regional geological setting of the Linda Project with major prospects.

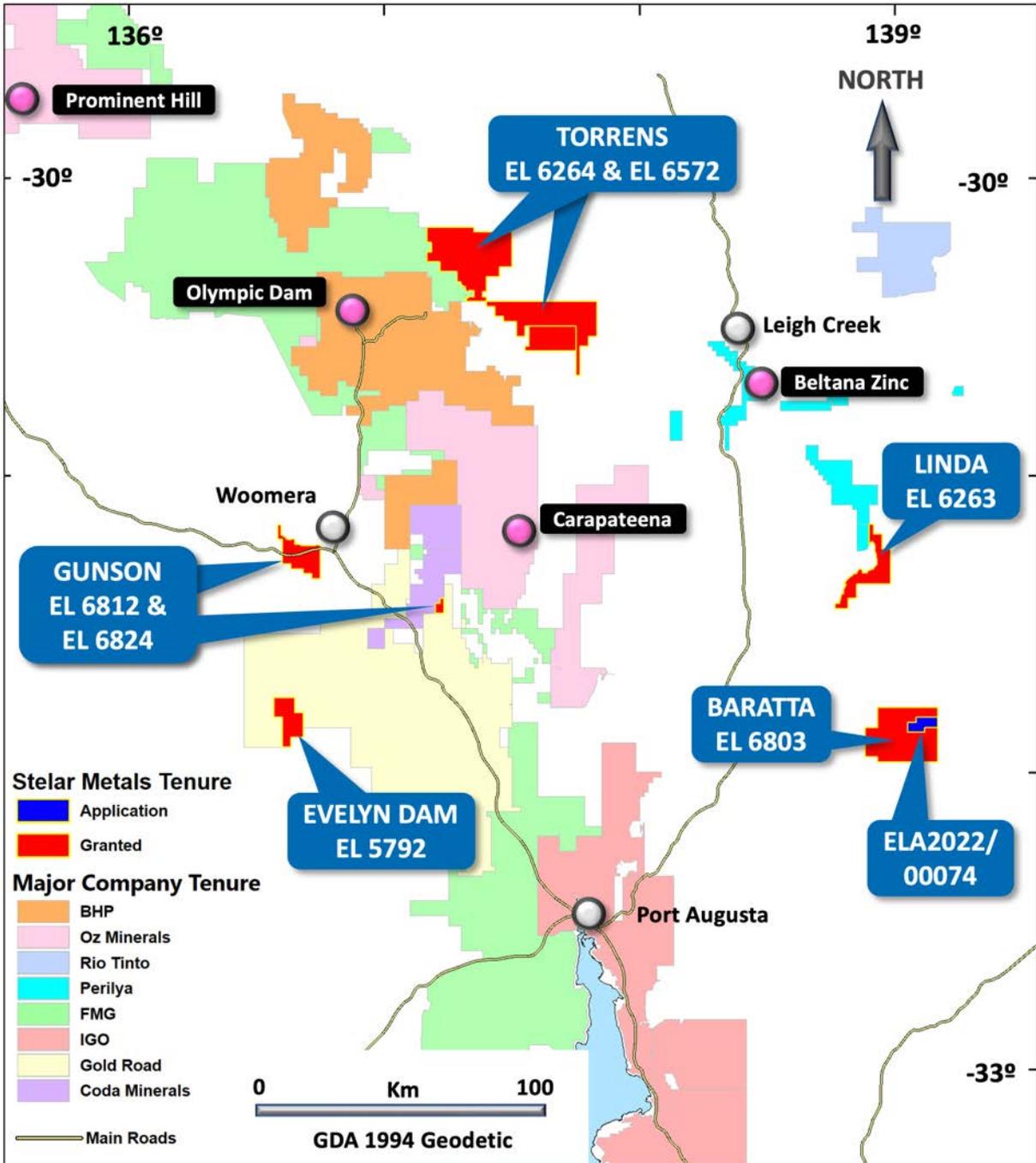


Figure 1: Stelar's exploration projects in South Australia.

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ABOUT STELAR METALS

Stelar Metals is ready to discover highly prized minerals of copper and zinc needed to drive the move to decarbonise the world and experiencing unprecedented demand. All five projects are 100% owned by Stelar Metals and are located in South Australia's premier world class exploration and mining district. The Company has an experienced exploration team with a track record of discovery success exploring for commodities that are in increasing demand.

EXPLORATION RESULTS

The information in this announcement that relates to Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Mr Colin Skidmore, a Competent Person who is a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Mr Skidmore is a full-time employee of Stelar Metals Ltd. Mr Skidmore has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activities being undertaken 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 (the JORC Code (2012)). Mr Skidmore consents to the inclusion in this announcement of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

This announcement includes information that relates to Exploration Results prepared and first disclosed under the JORC Code (2012) and extracted from the Company's initial public offering prospectus which was released on the ASX on 16 March 2022. A copy of the prospectus can be accessed from the Company's website: <https://stelarmetals.com.au/>.

The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the relevant market announcement. Where the information relates to Exploration Results, the Company confirms that the form and context in which the competent person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original market announcement.

JORC, 2012 Edition – Table 1 – Linda Zinc Project Soils October 2022

Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Sampling techniques	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Nature and quality of sampling (eg cut channels, random chips, or specific specialised industry standard measurement tools appropriate to the minerals under investigation, such as down hole gamma sondes, or handheld XRF instruments, etc). These examples should not be taken as limiting the broad meaning of sampling.</i> • <i>Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used.</i> • <i>Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report.</i> • <i>In cases where 'industry standard' work has been done this would be relatively simple (eg 'reverse circulation drilling was used to obtain 1 m samples from which 3 kg was pulverised to produce a 30 g charge for fire assay'). In other cases more explanation may be required, such as where there is coarse gold that has inherent sampling problems. Unusual commodities or mineralisation types (eg submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Historic drilling on EL 6263 has previously been reported in the JORC Tables included with Stelar Metal's prospectus • Soil sampling by Stelar Metals during 2022 has collected a total of 2393 samples (including 145 duplicate samples) of ~250g un-sieved soil from depths between 10-20cm deep between outcrops of limestone in labelled paper bags. Coarse material was discarded. Samples were analysed for multi-elements using a portable XRF. • A total of 42 rock-chip samples were taken from outcropping limestone that tested positive to zinc-zap stain. The rock-chips were hammered of surficial outcrop exposures and bagged. (Rock-chip results are pending)
Drilling techniques	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Drill type (eg core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc) and details (eg core diameter, triple or standard tube, depth of diamond tails, face-sampling bit or other type, whether core is oriented and if so, by what method, etc).</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No drilling undertaken
Drill sample recovery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed.</i> • <i>Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples.</i> • <i>Whether a relationship exists between sample recovery and grade and whether sample bias may have occurred due to preferential loss/gain of fine/coarse material.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No drilling undertaken

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Logging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whether core and chip samples have been geologically and geotechnically logged to a level of detail to support appropriate Mineral Resource estimation, mining studies and metallurgical studies. • Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc) photography. • The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections logged. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No drilling undertaken
Sub-sampling techniques and sample preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all core taken. • If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled, rotary split, etc and whether sampled wet or dry. • For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness of the sample preparation technique. • Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise representivity of samples. • Measures taken to ensure that the sampling is representative of the in situ material collected, including for instance results for field duplicate/second-half sampling. • Whether sample sizes are appropriate to the grain size of the material being sampled. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soil and rock-chip sampling only • The sample size and medium is considered appropriate for the purpose of outlining surface geochemical anomalies • All soils samples were preserved should further analyses be required. • 100 soil samples were submitted to Intertek Laboratories for 4-acid total digest and 60-element ICP-OES / ICPMS analysis • A total of 145 original samples were duplicated (generally 1:15)
Quality of assay data and laboratory tests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and laboratory procedures used and whether the technique is considered partial or total. • For geophysical tools, spectrometers, handheld XRF instruments, etc, the parameters used in determining the analysis including instrument make and model, reading times, calibrations factors applied and their derivation, etc. • Nature of quality control procedures adopted (eg standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (ie lack of bias) and precision have been established. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bagged soil samples were analysed by Stelar's geologist at the field camp using a Niton XL5+ portable XRF • 120 soil samples (including QAQC) were submitted to Intertek Laboratory in Adelaide for multi-element assay using a 4-acid digest and a combination of ICP-MS and ICP-OES analysis for 60 elements (4A/MS48 and 4A/MS48R) to confirm and validate the portable XRF results (see text of this ASX announcement)

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Verification of sampling and assaying	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative company personnel. • The use of twinned holes. • Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols. • Discuss any adjustment to assay data. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No independent or alternative verifications are available. • No adjustments have been made to any assay data.
Location of data points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accuracy and quality of surveys used to locate drill holes (collar and down-hole surveys), trenches, mine workings and other locations used in Mineral Resource estimation. • Specification of the grid system used. • Quality and adequacy of topographic control. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each sample site was picked up using a Garmin handheld GPS (MAP66i) with an accuracy of +/- 5m • Historic BHP drill holes were also picked up using a handheld GPS where collars were still visible on the ground • Sample locations and drill holes were picked up using GDA1994 MGA 54 projection.
Data spacing and distribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results. • Whether the data spacing and distribution is sufficient to establish the degree of geological and grade continuity appropriate for the Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve estimation procedure(s) and classifications applied. • Whether sample compositing has been applied. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refer figures - soil sampling only being reported.
Orientation of data in relation to geological structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whether the orientation of sampling achieves unbiased sampling of possible structures and the extent to which this is known, considering the deposit type. • If the relationship between the drilling orientation and the orientation of key mineralised structures is considered to have introduced a sampling bias, this should be assessed and reported if material. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No sampling bias of this kind is suspected.
Sample security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The measures taken to ensure sample security. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soil samples and rock-chip pulps will be retained • Samples were submitted to the laboratory in person by Colin Skidmore
Audits or reviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The initial soil and rock-chip sampling at Linda was undertaken in consultation with Mark Allen of CSA Global.

Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
<i>Mineral tenement and land tenure status</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Type, reference name/number, location and ownership including agreements or material issues with third parties such as joint ventures, partnerships, overriding royalties, native title interests, historical sites, wilderness or national park and environmental settings.</i> • <i>The security of the tenure held at the time of reporting along with any known impediments to obtaining a licence to operate in the area.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The historical project comprised EL725 and EL1085, which formed part of a JV between Dampier Mining and BHP. • Currently the Linda Project is held as EL 6263 by Resource Holdings No 1 Pty Ltd which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Stelar Metals limited. There are no joint ventures • The tenure falls within the Adnyamathanha People No 2 determination SCD2009/001. • The southern portion of EL 6263 is covered by the Bunker Conservation Park managed by the SA Minister for Land and Water
<i>Exploration done by other parties</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An overview of historical exploration is included in the ITAR included in Stelar Metal's prospectus. Previous exploration was conducted by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South Australian Barytes (1971-1972), • BHP (1980-1987), • SA Ludi Mining (2011-2016) • Perilya (1999-2017)
<i>Geology</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The exploration model is Mississippi Valley Type (MVT) Zn-Pb in the Adelaide Fold Belt.
<i>Drill hole Information</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>A summary of all information material to the understanding of the exploration results including a tabulation of the following information for all Material drill holes:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>easting and northing of the drill hole collar</i> ○ <i>elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation above sea level in metres) of the drill hole collar</i> ○ <i>dip and azimuth of the hole</i> ○ <i>down hole length and interception depth</i> ○ <i>hole length.</i> • <i>If the exclusion of this information is justified on the basis that the information is not Material and this exclusion does not detract from the understanding of the report, the Competent Person should clearly explain why this is the case.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Historic drilling has previously been reported in the JORC Tables accompanying Stelar Metal's prospectus • No additional drilling has been undertaken

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Data aggregation methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or minimum grade truncations (eg cutting of high grades) and cut-off grades are usually Material and should be stated.</i> <i>Where aggregate intercepts incorporate short lengths of high grade results and longer lengths of low grade results, the procedure used for such aggregation should be stated and some typical examples of such aggregations should be shown in detail.</i> <i>The assumptions used for any reporting of metal equivalent values should be clearly stated.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No data aggregation has been applied No resource evaluation has been undertaken Metal equivalent values are not reported.
Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results.</i> <i>If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported.</i> <i>If it is not known and only the down hole lengths are reported, there should be a clear statement to this effect (eg 'down hole length, true width not known').</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soil sampling only reported
Diagrams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Appropriate maps and sections (with scales) and tabulations of intercepts should be included for any significant discovery being reported. These should include, but not be limited to a plan view of drill hole collar locations and appropriate sectional views.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refer to figures in the text of the ASX announcement
Balanced reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Where comprehensive reporting of all Exploration Results is not practicable, representative reporting of both low and high grades and/or widths should be practiced to avoid misleading reporting of Exploration Results.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All soil sample sites are reported
Other substantive exploration data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Other exploration data, if meaningful and material, should be reported including (but not limited to): geological observations; geophysical survey results; geochemical survey results; bulk samples – size and method of treatment; metallurgical test results; bulk density, groundwater, geotechnical and rock characteristics; potential deleterious or contaminating substances.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Description of the work completed and the results is included in the historical reports, and an overview of this work is provided in this document. Field work and interpretation of results is ongoing.
Further work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The nature and scale of planned further work (eg tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large-scale step-out drilling).</i> <i>Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stelar Metals is planning additional soil sampling, rock chip sampling and mapping at Linda. Stelar is currently negotiating a Native Title Management Agreement with traditional owners and other land access processes as it plans to drill test ranked targets in 2023.