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Chairman's Address to AGM

I am pleased to share with you today Silver Lake's operational and financial highlights for the 2021 financial year.

FY 2021 was a challenging year on many fronts and I will touch on some of those challenges in a little more detail during my address.

Notwithstanding the challenging operational conditions prevalent in Western Australia throughout FY21, Silver Lake's performance across key operational and financial metrics has consolidated the Company's position as a solid mid-tier gold mining company that has once again delivered on its established track record of meeting market guidance.

In addition to the Company's operational achievements, Silver Lake also commenced production at the Rothsay Mine, commenced the Deflector South West decline and completed the Deflector processing facility upgrade in what was a transformational year for the Deflector region.

In FY21 Silver Lake delivered gold sales of 248,781 ounces and copper sales of 1,724 tonnes at an AISC of A\$1,484 per ounce. The FY21 sales result consolidates the step change in production and sales following the successful acquisition and integration of Doray Minerals Limited.

FY21 marks the seventh straight year in which Silver Lake has met or exceeded market guidance with FY21 particularly challenging given the adverse consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Silver Lake made a significant investment in growth projects throughout the Group in FY21.

Our investment will increase the value of the business through a combination of growth, increased margins and risk mitigation.

Growth projects in the Deflector region included an upgrade of the processing facility at Deflector with the addition of a CIP circuit to the existing gravity and float circuits, the commencement of a new decline to access the higher tenor Deflector South West lodes and establishment of the high grade Rothsay mine, which will provide a secondary high grade feed source to the Deflector processing facility.

The Deflector processing facility upgrade was completed and commissioned on schedule and within the \$36 million budget, with Rothsay ore introduced to the Deflector processing facility in June 2021 with planned higher gold recoveries being achieved.

The Resources Industry in WA, given its status as an essential industry, continued to operate throughout the year but under a rapidly changeable and increasingly restrictive state government mandated COVID 19-framework.

COVID-19 restrictions during FY21 had (and in FY22 continue to have) a profound adverse effect on access to the skilled interstate and overseas labour resources on which the industry relies. The consequences of this have been significantly higher workforce turnover, a declining skill base, materially lower productivity, higher costs across the industry and new projects deferred.

Western Australia's closed borders significantly restricted access to appropriately trained and competent labour leaving Silver Lake with little option but to structurally change the way it operates to mitigate higher turnover, lower productivity and higher costs.

Silver Lake remains well placed to implement these structural changes given its long-term investments in ore stockpiles, particularly at Mount Monger. Mount Monger's ore stockpiles increased 43,000 ounces to 115,500 ounces of gold in FY21 which improves operational flexibility and reduces the Company's exposure to the prevailing operating challenges in Western Australia.

Silver Lake has reported a statutory NPAT of \$98 million for FY21, which includes a non-cash tax expense of \$43 million. Profit before tax was \$141 million, a 6% increase on FY20 (\$133 million). The Company continued to build on its enviable record of cash generation, following significant capital and exploration investment, with cash and bullion increasing \$61 million to \$330 million, whilst operating cash flow increased 7% to \$268 million.

Silver Lake also continued to maintain its debt free balance sheet.

Silver Lake's \$20 million investment in exploration and Resource Development in FY21 delivered an 18% increase in Ore Reserves of 1.36 million ounces, an increase of 61% when accounting for FY21 mine depletion. Ore Reserve growth continues to be accretive for shareholders on a Reserves per share basis and reinforces Silver Lake's exploration strategy of focusing exploration within our proven mineralised corridors to leverage from our extensive installed infrastructure.

Silver Lake continues to invest in exploration with \$25 million budgeted for in FY22, the largest exploration investment in the Company's history. Exploration will target growth and extension opportunities proximal to established mine, services and processing infrastructure within proven mineralised corridors.

Silver Lake enters FY22 with two cash generative assets in Western Australia with organic growth and significant Mineral Resource inventory that provide a foundation to extend mine life, whilst its strong balance sheet and forecast free cash flow generation allows the Company to internally fund both development and exploration projects.

The Company's FY22 guidance is 235,000 - 255,000 ounces of gold at an AISC of A\$1,550 - A\$1,650 per ounce.

Silver Lake's exploration success has also allowed it to target sales growth to 255,000 - 275,000 ounces of gold in FY23 and FY24.

Silver Lake's financial position enables us to continue to approach future capital deployment from a position of strength, as we seek to refresh opportunities, both internally and externally, building on the success and momentum generated over multiple years.

On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank our employees for their contribution to Silver Lake throughout a challenging year and encourage them to continue applying their skills diligently to achieving our objectives for FY22.

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.silverlakeresources.com.au.

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