

#### **GREEN BATTERY MATERIALS**

#### TO POWER THE CLEAN

#### **ENERGY TRANSITION**

On track to be **North America's largest, fully vertically integrated production of natural graphite** to supply battery/EV
manufacturers with carbon-neutral active anode material



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# POWERING THE CLEAN ENERGY TRANSITION

#### + THE CLEAN ENERGY MEGATREND

- » Governments globally are phasing out sales of internal combustion vehicles
  - Europe: 100% EVs as early as 2025 in some jurisdictions
  - China: 80% of service EVs by 2025, 100% EVs by 2035
  - UK: 100% EVs by 2030
  - Japan, Canada: 100% EVs by 2035
  - U.S.: 50% by 2030
- EV sales expected to reach
   21M units by 2025¹

29%

**EVs 10-YEAR CAGR** 





41%

**ENERGY STORAGE 10-YEAR CAGR** 





Energy security and grid redundancy is being reinforced amidst international conflicts and intensifying extreme weather events

"Electricity to grow twice as fast as overall energy demand"

THE ENERGY STORAGE
REVOLUTION WILL
DRIVE EXPONENTIAL
GROWTH IN BATTERY
MATERIAL DEMAND...
IN EXCESS OF 25X OVER
THE NEXT DECADE

Sources: Benchmark Mineral Intelligence, McKinsey's Metal Mining Constraints on the Electric Mobility Horizon report, Rho Motion

1 BloombergNEF's (BNEF) Long-Term Electric Vehicle Outlook, June 2022



ON TRACK TO BE
NORTH
AMERICA'S FIRST
& LARGEST FULLY
INTEGRATED

SOURCE OF NATURAL GRAPHITE ACTIVE ANODE MATERIAL

LISTED





Accelerated adoption of EVs, cleantech and renewable energies drive significant demand growth for natural graphite



Multiyear offtake agreements with Panasonic Energy and GM engaged in the development of an ESG-driven and reliable North American supply chain



Located in a tier-1 operating jurisdiction, with access to exceptional infrastructure and low-cost hydroelectricity



De-risked development through ongoing operation of Phase-1 plants and long-term relationship with anchor customers



Scaled growth timed with supply/demand gap underpinned by world-class graphite assets



Committed to industry-leading ESG principles, continued stakeholder engagement, Net Zero and sustainability



An experienced and diverse global team of 110+ professionals assembled to execute our vision



# + PLANNED TO BE NORTH AMERICA'S LARGEST INTEGRATED NATURAL GRAPHITE PRODUCER





Mine and concentrator to produce 103 ktpa of high-purity flake concentrate

Advanced strategy to become the **world's first all-electric open-pit mine** for carbon-neutral operations – underpinned by renewable hydropower

25-year life of mine, with the scale to expand





Beneficiation of graphite concentrate from Matawinie to be transformed into approximately **43 ktpa of active anode material** 

**Short road transport** (150 km) from the Matawinie Mine to the Bécancour Battery Material Plant

Modular design to allow for scalable expansion as the market grows



#### MINE & CONCENTRATOR

#### Large volume production of flake graphite concentrate

Mine and concentrator to produce **500 ktpa of flake** concentrate

Onsite extraction and concentration operations to optimize production efficiency, limit transportation and reduce environmental impact

#### 24-year life of mine

ESG standards reflected into the mining project design

Projected to become the largest natural graphite production in the world

Strategically enabling NMG to supply future anticipated growth in North America and Europe



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# + VERTICAL INTEGRATION TO DELIVER LITHIUM-ION BATTERY ACTIVE ANODE MATERIAL



#### INTEGRATED ANODE MATERIAL PRODUCER

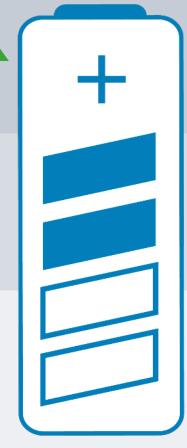


Value-Added Conversion Facility



Mining and Concentration Operations





- » Planned to become the North America's largest and fully integrated lithium-ion battery anode material producer
- Carbon neutrality across its entire production value chain "green" operations, driven by renewable hydropower, with full traceability
- » A local, turnkey alternative to Chinese production, at the market's doorstep
- » Shaping to a variety of customers' specs
- » Green proprietary purification, hydrofluoric-free
- » Coating for optimal battery performance

- » Large, quality deposits with capacity to expand yielding high-purity flake concentrate
- » Advanced electrification strategy and responsible mining practices
- » Low-cost operations in a tier-1 jurisdiction



## + STRIVING TO BECOME AN ACTIVE ANODE MATERIAL LEADER FOR THE WESTERN WORLD



#### OUR PLAN PHASE 1







OUR VISION PHASE 3



"DE-RISKING"

- » Demonstration facilities for fully-integrated operations
- » ~2 ktpa of anode material
- » Product qualification

2024-2027

#### **EXECUTION**

- » Matawinie Mine: ~103 ktpa of high-purity flake graphite
- » Bécancour Battery Material Plant: ~43 ktpa of active anode material
- » Multiyear offtakes with Panasonic Energy and GM for active anode material

#### 2028+

#### **GROWTH**

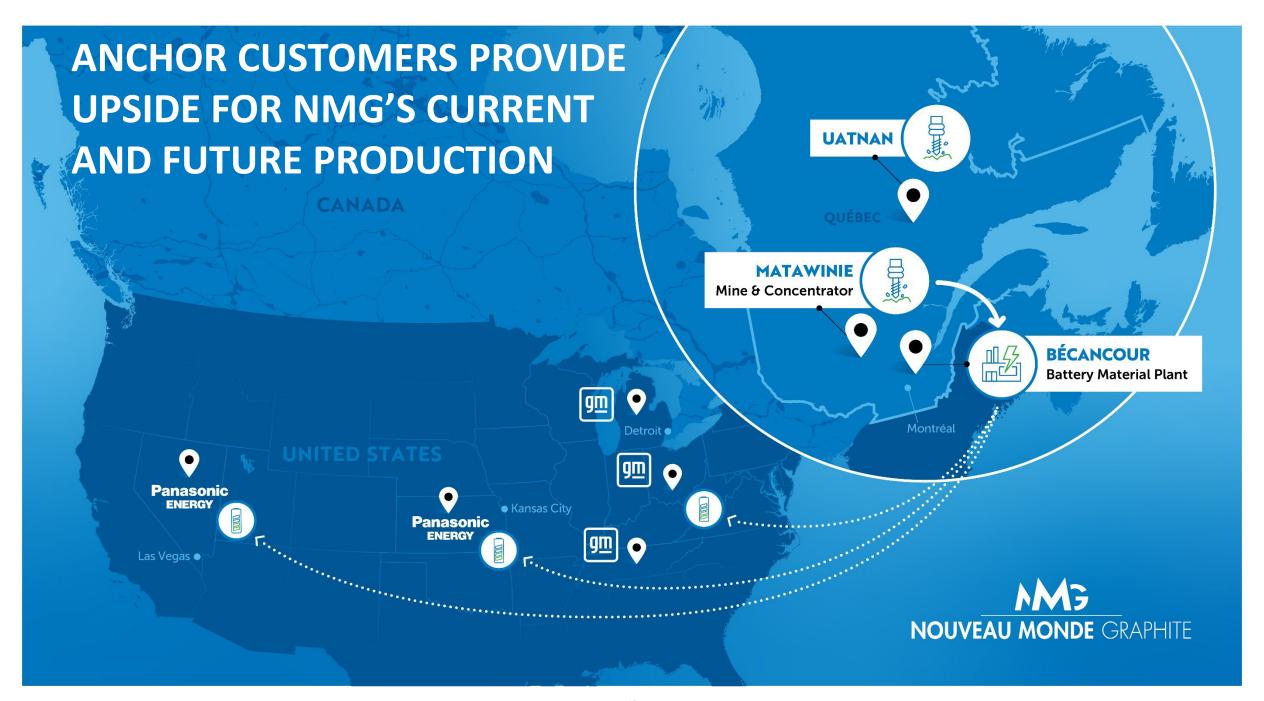
- » Uatnan Mining Project development for a targeted production of 500 ktpa of flake graphite concentrate
- » Bécancour Battery Material Plant expansion for active anode material production and/or
- » New US and/or European active anode material facilities





A leading supplier of "green" active anode material for the lithiumion battery industry





#### + ESG PRINCIPLES EMBEDDED IN THE BUSINESS MODEL



#### **Zero-Harm Philosophy**

Health, safety, and environmental stewardship come first

- » 3.63 OSHA Recordable Incident Rate<sup>1</sup>
- » 0 environmental incidents<sup>1</sup>

#### **Responsible Mining**

Developing the mine of the future

- » Progressive land management via innovative tailings co-disposal and gradual backfilling
- » All-electric fleet powered by hydroelectricity
- » Water and biodiversity protection
- » Ecoengineering of facilities and life of mine



#### **Driving the Transition to a Green Future**

Efforts and partnerships for greater impact

- R&D targeting the next generation of battery materials with the smallest footprint
- Fostering synergy with other industries for a circular economy
- Promotion of sustainability through our value chain

#### **Leadership in Action**

Governance and accountability

- Experienced and international Board guiding the disciplined development of the business
- » Commitment to the Paris Agreement, TCFD, UN Global Compact and the UN SDGs
- » Disclosure as per GRI and SASB standards providing ESG metrics and transparency
- » Fostering diversity and inclusion; 29% of women in Company<sup>2</sup>

#### **SUSTAINABILITY RATINGS**











#### **Partnered Development**

Active engagement with First Nations and communities

- Promotion of Indigenous participation and shared perspective
- » Collaboration and benefit sharing agreement with the local community for job creation, skills training and community development
- Extensive stakeholder consultation
- As at December 31, 2023
- As of December 31, 2022



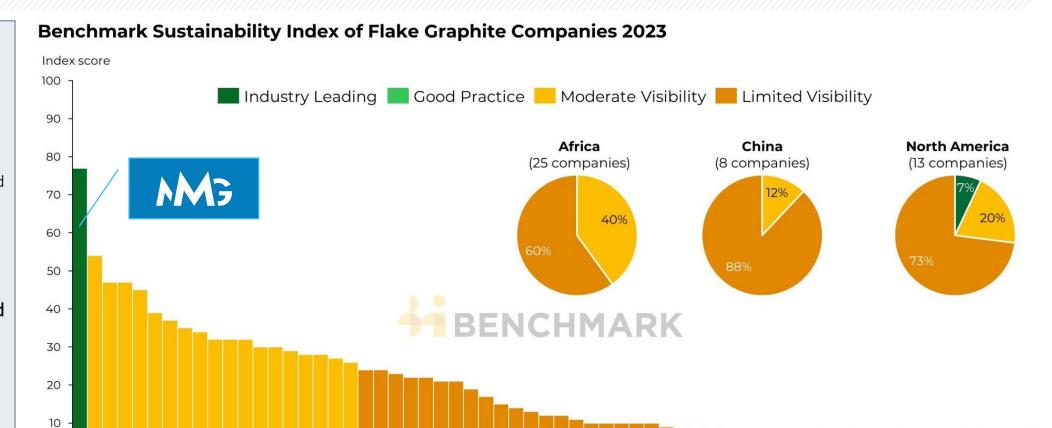
#### + ONLY PRODUCER IN INDUSTRY LEADING SEGMENT

#### Independent assessment of ESG performance carried out by Benchmark

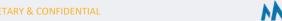
- 79 sustainability indicators reviewed
- 60 producers

# NMG is the sole producer with demonstrated environmental and ethical practices

 Rating supports customers' ESG requirements for responsible sourcing



Flake graphite companies

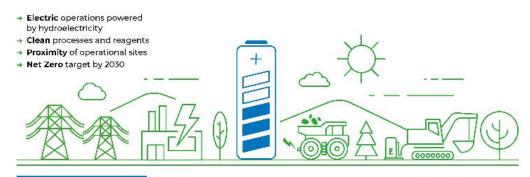


## + CARBON NEUTRAL YESTERDAY, TODAY AND TOMORROW TO SUPPORT GLOBAL DECARBONIZATION

- » Historical carbon neutrality secured and climate action plan to transition to Net Zero by 2030
- » All-electric open-pit mine and processing facilities underpinned by clean hydroelectricity
  - Partnership with Caterpillar to constitute a zero-emission fleet for the Matawinie mine
  - Dedicated low-cost (~C\$0.04/KWh¹) hydroelectricity line for the mine
- » Proprietary anode material purification process to reduce energy and harmful chemical consumption – de-risked through demonstration operations
  - Hydrofluoric acid-free ecotechnology submitted for patent
- Partnership with world-class research centers and strategic advisors to be at forefront of technology advancements and continually improve the environmental footprint of products
- » Testing traceability parameters as part of the Global Battery Alliance's Battery Passport to help shape a responsible battery value chain
- » Collaboration on battery recycling to support graphite circularity



#### LOW ENVIRONMENTAL FOOTPRINT



**NOUVEAU MONDE GRAPHITE** 

(1) Hvdro-Quebec Industrial Rate L- Industrial rate for large-power customers

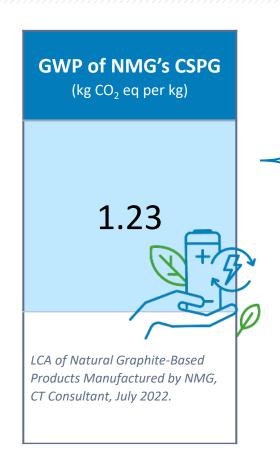


#### + INDUSTRY-LEADING CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACT

Extraction and concentration	Advanced manufacturing	<b>GWP</b> (kg CO₂ eq per kg)
China	China	14.1
Mozambique	U.S.	6.1
Sweden	Sweden	3.1

Streamlined Life Cycle Assessment Study of Global Anode Grade Natural Graphite Manufacturing, Minviro, March 2022.

Synthetic graphite production	<b>GWP</b> (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq per kg)
Industry range	24 to 40
Industry data compiled through private sources.	



- » Cradle-to-gate ISO-compliant life cycle assessment verified by 3<sup>rd</sup> party
- » Hydroelectricty leveraged at mining and processing sites
  - Main energy source
  - All-electric mining fleet
  - Purification proprietary technology
  - CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor representing 0.30% of regional average of electricity utilities<sup>1</sup>
- » Cleaner processes and reagents
- » Close-by operational sites

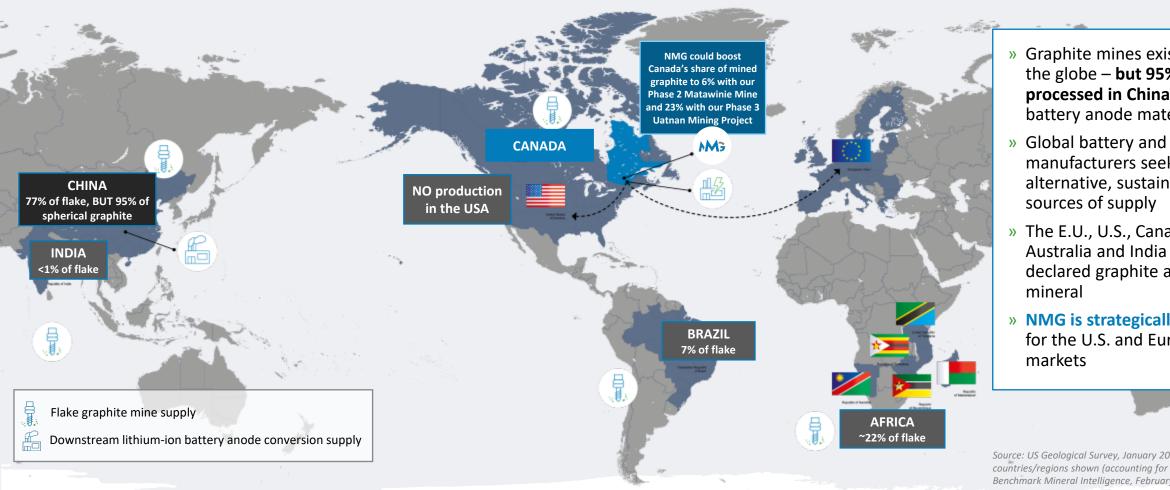
(1) Hydro-Québec's Electricity Facts: Electricity Supply and Air Emissions, 2020



# AN EXCEPTIONAL MARKET OPPORTUNITY



#### + A LOCALIZED, CARBON-NEUTRAL ALTERNATIVE TO CHINA



- » Graphite mines exist across the globe - but 95% is processed in China for battery anode materials
- » Global battery and EV manufacturers seek alternative, sustainable
- » The E.U., U.S., Canada, Japan, Australia and India have declared graphite a critical
- » NMG is strategically located for the U.S. and European

Source: US Geological Survey, January 2024. Only the largest countries/regions shown (accounting for >90% of production). Benchmark Mineral Intelligence, February 2024



#### **GEOPOLITICS FAVOR NMG**

- New restrictions on Chinese graphite exports
  - Battery/EV manufacturers pressed to secure volumes and commercial agreements with graphite suppliers outside China
  - Chinese graphite exports plunge in early 2024
- US targets China as a "foreign entity of concern"
  - Battery components or critical minerals sourced from China or Chinese-controlled companies disqualify EV incentives
- Middle East tensions are increasing the risk associated with international shipping

#### Bloomberg

Green | Hyperdrive

#### **US Sets Limits on Chinese Content to** Receive EV Tax Credits

- Rules set 25% threshold of ownership for foreign adversaries
- Decision may limit qualifying number of EVs for \$7,500 credit



Mining.com

#### Column: China ups critical minerals heat with graphite controls - MINING.COM

China is upping the critical minerals stakes by curbing exports of graphite, a key raw material in electric vehicle batteries.

US to limit Chinese firms, battery parts from winning EV tax credits

WASHINGTON, Dec 1 (Reuters) - The Biden administration on Friday issued-long awaited guidance that will limit Chinese content in batteries...

#### BARRON'S

#### China Tightens Controls on Graphite. The Hunt Is On for New Supplies.

Oct 21, 2023, 2:15 am EDT

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China's stricter controls over graphite exports mean companies, including electricvehicle makers such as Tesla, will have to accelerate their search for alterative sources of the mineral.



#### China curbs graphite exports in latest critical minerals squeeze

October 20, 2023 4:03 AM EDT - Updated 4 days ago





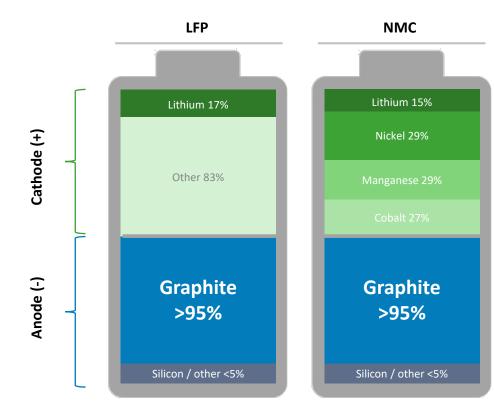






# + GRAPHITE IS FUNDAMENTAL TO EVERY LITHIUM-ION BATTERY: >1 kg of graphite / kWh

- » Graphite dominates half the lithium-ion battery
  - For every tonne of lithium, 1.5 tonne of graphite is required
- » Anode material is a highly specialized and customized valueadded product
  - Every manufacturer has unique specifications
  - NMG's Phase-1 facilities support product qualification thanks to commercial-scale equipment
- » Natural and synthetic graphite are complementary in the anode composition
  - Natural graphite is cheaper and greener than synthetic graphite
  - Silicon introduction in anode limited due to swelling (3x)
  - NMG's R&D program continuously explores means to enhance battery performance and develop next-gen materials
- » Industry technology development focused on cathode in part due to overall representation in battery cost



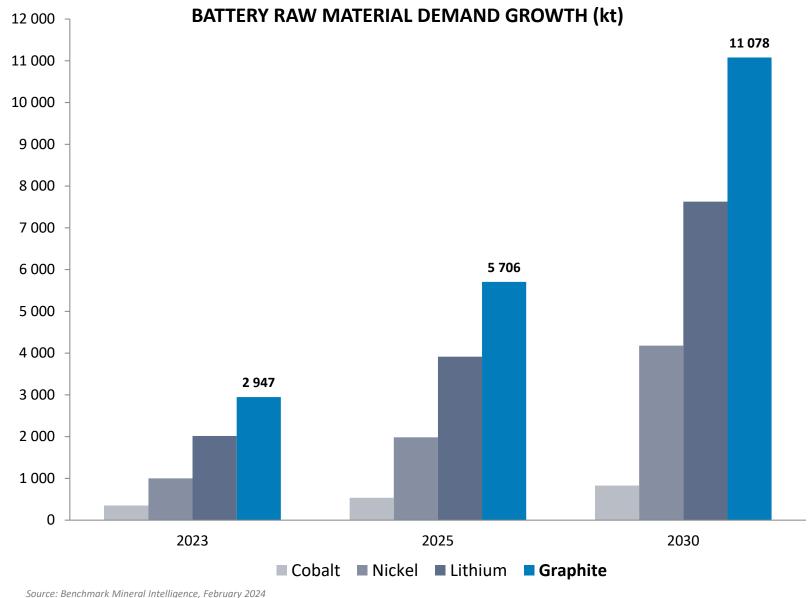
Source: Pallinghurst-Traxys battery analysis. %s represent the proportions of cathode and anode in each battery respectively. NCA batteries contain 2% aluminium (not shown)



#### **GRAPHITE DEMAND GROWTH IS EXPECTED TO OUTPACE OTHER BATTERY METALS**

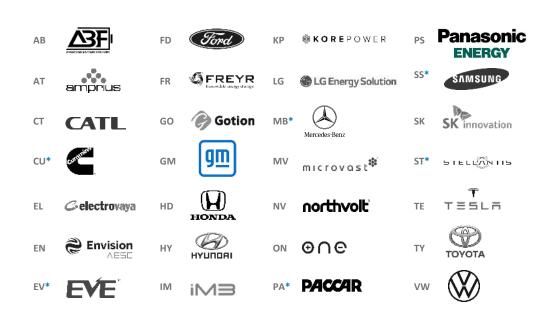
**415 BATTERY GIGAFACTORIES** IN THE PIPELINE FOR A **COMBINED CAPACITY OF** ~9.4 TWh BY 2030

~4x growth for graphite through 2030, the strongest demand increase of all key battery raw materials





# + AT THE MARKET'S DOORSTEP – NORTH AMERICA RAMPING UP CAPACITY: 1,443 GWh BY 2030



#### \*TBC

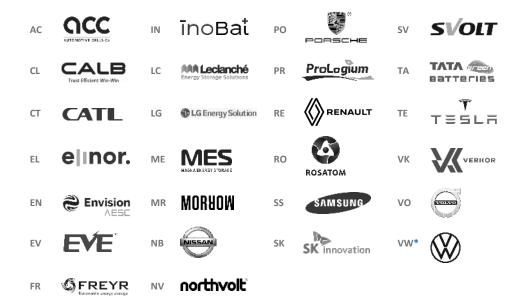
A factory has been announced, but its exact location in the United States is to be confirmed.



Industry announcements & Benchmark Mineral Intelligence, March 2024



### +AND SO IS EUROPE: 1,300 GWh by 2030

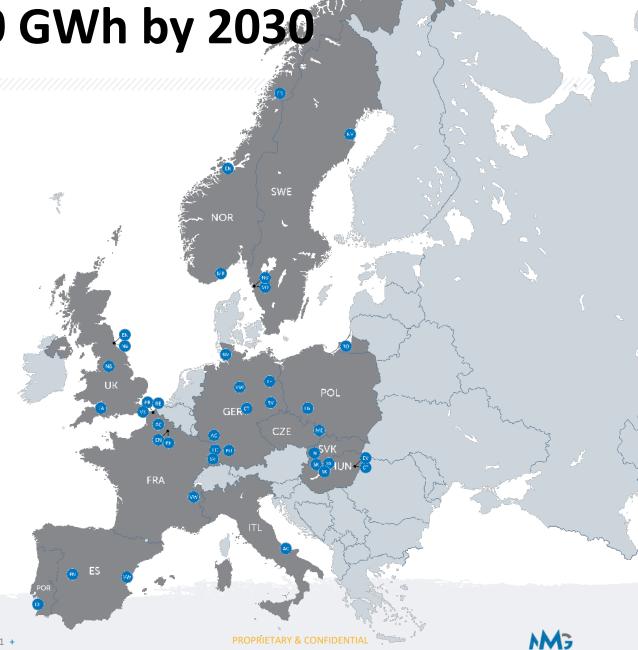


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Industry announcements & Benchmark Mineral Intelligence, February 2024



#### DEMAND EXPECTED TO OUTSTRIP SUPPLY

#### Market projection for graphite demonstrates structural deficit:

- » New production needed to come online to meet the strong growth market
- » NMG will be well positioned in what we expect to be a "seller's market" over the next decade

"Existing production for graphite's other uses has kept the market well supplied to this point and prevented price spikes, but analysts expect that to change as batteries become the largest source of demand."

The Wall Street Journal, January 2023



Source : Benchmark Mineral Intelligence, Q3-2023

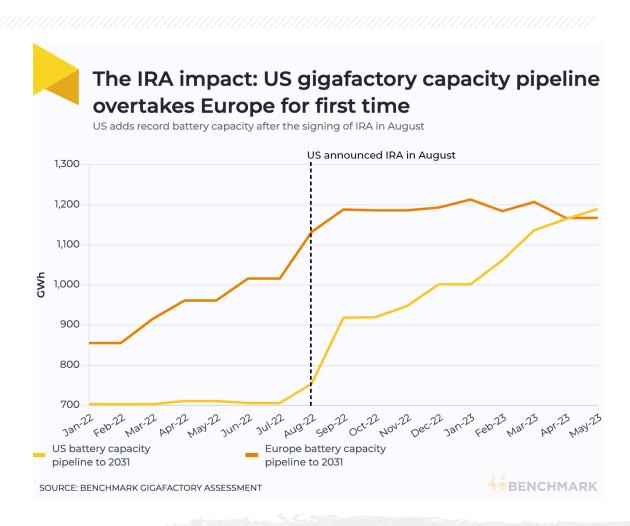


#### +INFLATION REDUCTION ACT

#### \$370 billion US dedicated to the climate agenda

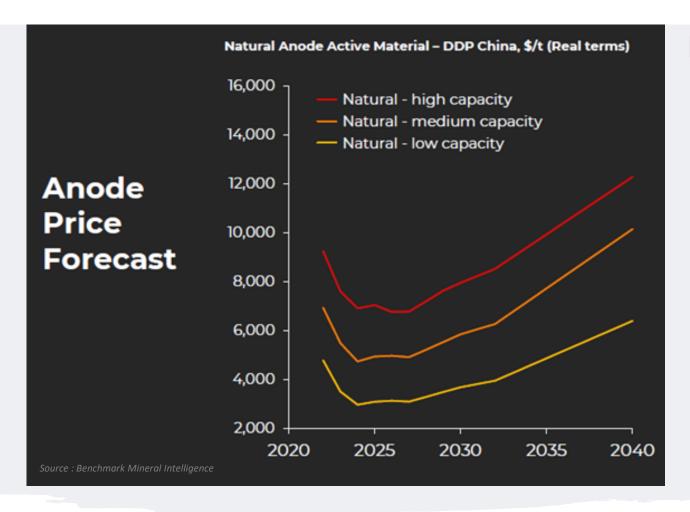
- » Incentives for the purchase of electric vehicles
- » Measures for the development of charging infrastructure
- » Eligibility criteria for credits related to battery composition, component source
  - After 2024, critical minerals that are mined, processed, or recycled in a "foreign entity of concern" will prevent EV manufacturers from receiving the clean vehicle credit.
- » Manufacturers are rushing to find alternatives to Chinese supplies

### NMG offers procurement that complies with US requirements





#### + SUPPLY/DEMAND DYNAMICS SUPPORT PRICE APPRECIATION



#### Long-term prices expected to rise

- » NMG expected to benefit from future higher prices
  - Each 2% increase in price corresponds to ~10% gain in project IRR based on 2022 Integrated Feasibility Study
- » Potential for a North American premium over China
  - Reduced geopolitical risk
  - Carbon-neutral footprint
    - + Direct impact on manufacturers' Scope 3 emissions
  - Logistical savings
  - Less capital needed for inventories



# FACILITATING A GREEN, LOCAL SUPPLY OF A STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MATERIAL

## + FULLY-INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT SUPPORTED BY PHASE 1 OPERATIONS



**High-purity graphite flake** 





Flake graphite

**CONCENTRATION** 



#### **Active anode material**





Spherical graphite

**SHAPING** 





Purified graphite

**PURIFICATION** 





Coated spherical purified graphite

COATING

Each step is engineered to add value and increase margins.

Value-added operations from mined ore to ready-to-use battery material as per customers' specifications enabling product qualification and binding commercial offtake agreements.



## + PHASE 2 MATAWINIE MINE

### A world-class mine and concentrator, within only 120 km of Montréal

- » Responsible mining operations with all-electric fleet, innovative tailings management, extensive water and biodiversity protection program, plus progressive reclamation
- » Situated within the community of Saint-Michel-des-Saints with which a progressive collaboration and benefits agreement has been signed
- » All key permits (including the key Environmental Decree) necessary to start construction are in place
- » Access to key infrastructure including hydropower and local highway – reduced operational and transport costs
- » Local workforce and specific training programs support recruitment efforts for Phase 2
- Due to the size of the deposit, potential to expand the operations to meet market demand





# + PHASE-2 MATAWINIE MINE: CONCRETE-READY THANKS TO PREPARATORY WORK



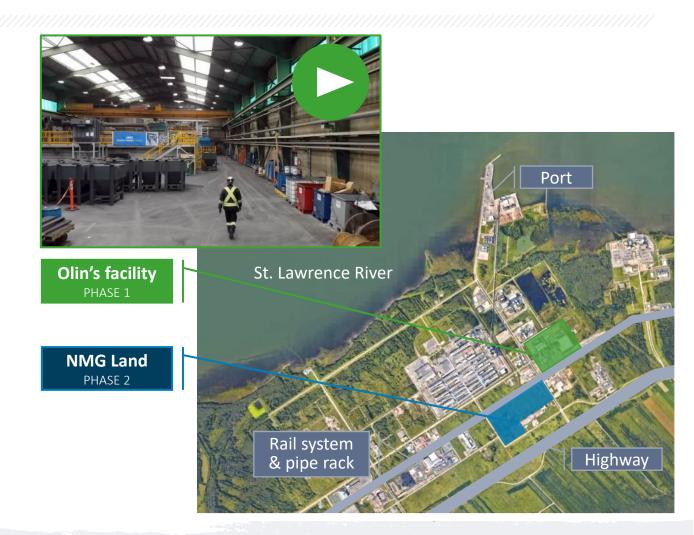
## + ADVANCED MANUFACTURING UNDERPINNED BY STRATEGIC LOCATION AND PROPRIETARY TECHNOLOGIES

#### We believe Bécancour is an ideal location, with exceptional infrastructure, for NMG's operations

- » Phase-1 purification plant operating within Olin's facility
- » Proprietary green thermochemical purification technology that avoids acid leaching
- » Heavy industry area providing NMG with
  - robust industrial infrastructure
  - direct supply of required chemicals from Olin
  - skilled labor
  - abundant low-cost, clean electricity
  - multi-modal logistical base

"We have chosen Bécancour as our hub, our battery valley."

Pierre Fitzgibbon, Québec Ministry of Economy



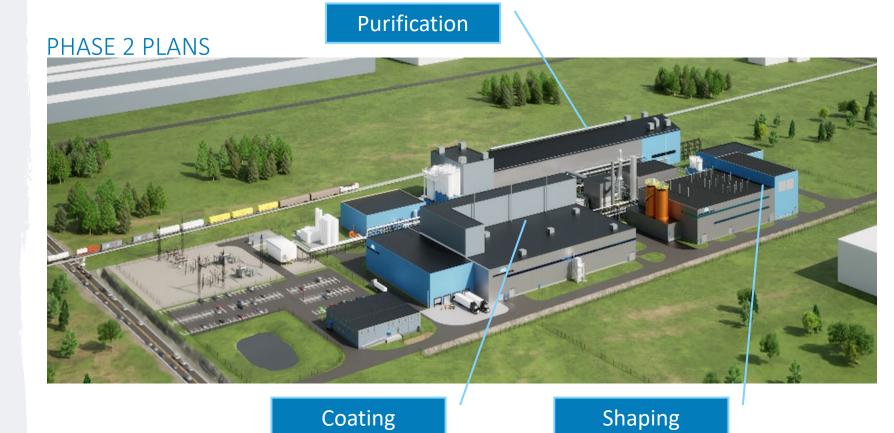


# PHASE 2 BÉCANCOUR BATTERY MATERIAL PLANT

Scalable commercial production with expansion potential



NMG's land nearby GM's Ultium plant

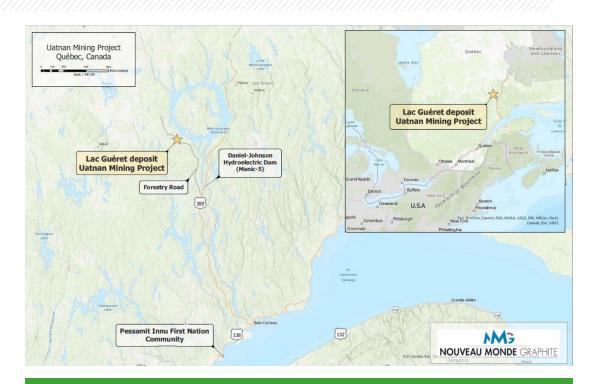


Production capacity for ~43 ktpa of active anode material and ~3 ktpa of purified jumbo flake

- » Advanced manufacturing facility regrouping all beneficiation units
- » 200,000-m² land near highway, railway and port
- » Located within the developing industrial battery hub; GM-Posco, Ford, and Nemaska Lithium have already launched construction of their facilities

# + PHASE 3 UATNAN MINING PROJECT: AMONG THE WORLD'S LARGEST GRAPHITE PROJECTS IN DEVELOPMENT

- » Located in Northern Québec, in a region renowned for its resources and associated industry
  - Accessible year-round by highway 389 and logging roads
- » Property wholly owned (100%) by NMG
- » Open-pit operation with on-site concentrator for targeted production of 500,000 tpa of graphite concentrate destined to the battery market
  - Life of mine of 24 years
  - Stripping ratio of 1.3:1
- » Responsible mining practices including transition plans for all-electric operations, advanced environmental management, in-pit backfilling, and proactive First Nation and community engagement
- » Preliminary economic assessment indicates strong economics
- » Project supporting NMG's commercial discussions with OEMs and lithium-ion battery cell makers



STRATEGIC FIT FOR NMG'S EXPANSION TO SUPPORT EXPECTED MARKET GROWTH



#### + LOCATED IN A PREMIER OPERATING JURISDICTION IN **NORTH AMERICA**









Abundant, affordable

and clean energy (36%

energy cost savings vs

other G7 countries)









Established, sustainable ecosystem and ongoing government-funded research

Strategically located to supply high-growth North American and

European markets

**Business-friendly policies** and government, including significant investment (nearing C\$3 billion in 2020 (1)) Government institutes comprised of over 500 specialists working on EV projects

Rich in critical and strategic minerals and the Government of Québec has a coordinated plan to develop them<sup>(2)</sup>

> Low-cost operation location

Attractive and stable fiscal and political environment

**COMBINATION OF STRATEGIC ADVANTAGES** 

**QUÉBEC'S** 

The Québec Government is fully committed to develop a local battery materials supply chain



Institut de la statistique du Québec, Recensement annuel sur l'investissement minier 2020.

Québec Plan for the Development of Critical and Strategic Minerals 2020-2025

#### INDUSTRY AND TECHNOLOGY PARTNERS SUPPORT OUR STRONG INTERNAL TEAM

Active R&D ecosystem and battery supply chain industry participation



- » Our strong internal technical team consisting of 110+ professionals support our growth and continued innovation:
  - 7 PhD, 3 MSc, 35 engineers
  - Decades of expertise in graphite production acquired at leading operators including Imerys, SGL Group and BTR New Material
- Extended technological platform including a battery lab to provide quality assurance and customization of products per customer's specs
- » In-house R&D team and collaboration with renowned research institutes and universities to advance battery technology

Technological expertise and R&D ecosystem puts the Company at the forefront of industry developments























# COMMERCIAL OUTLOOK & FINANCIAL PARAMETERS

# PANASONIC ENERGY & GM STRATEGIC INVESTORS AND LONG-TERM ANCHOR CUSTOMERS

- » Multiyear offtake agreements
- » Aggregate US\$50M Tranche 1 Investment
- » Commitment toward future construction funding
- » NMG is one step closer to becoming North America's first and largest fully integrated natural graphite producer

#### Offtakes & Tranche 1 Investment



#### **+US\$275M Intended Tranche 2 Investment for Construction**

Subject to Positive Final Investment Decision ("FID") and Full Funding



Panasonic ENERGY

Intended **US\$125M Tranche 2 Investment** as part of construction funding

Intended **US\$150M Tranche 2 Investment** along with potential co-investors as part of construction funding



#### STRONG FOUNDATION TOWARD COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION



#### ORE-TO-BATTERY-MATERIAL PROJECT DESIGN

Mineral resource definition ✓

Technology development for beneficiation ✓

Integrated feasibility study ✓

First Nation + community engagement & public consultation ✓

#### TECHNICAL ADVANCEMENT

Phase-1 operations ☑

Assembling experienced project execution team ✓

Mining governmental authorization ☑

Land purchase for Bécancour plant ☑

Engineering & pre-construction strategy ✓

Battery-grade sample production ☑

#### **COMMERCIAL & CORPORATE ENGAGEMENT**

Process optimization through product qualification ✓

Site visits & due diligences ✓

Project financing structure ✓

Multiyear offtakes ☑

Production parameters update based on clients' specs Engagement w/ senior lenders, governments & First Nation

#### FINAL INVESTMENT DECISION (FID) & LAUNCH OF CONSTRUCTION

Simultaneous construction at Matawinie Mine and Bécancour Battery Material Plant, then commissioning to launch active anode material production within ~30 months



#### +SUMMARY OF PHASE-2 ECONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS

ECONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS (in CAD*)	MATAWINIE	BÉCANCOUR	INTEGRATED	Unit
Feasibility Metrics				
After-tax Net Present Value (NPV) (8 % discount rate)	571	1,010	1,581	C\$ million
After-tax IRR	22.2%	20.4%	21.0%	%
Payback (after-tax)	3.7	4.5	4.2	years
Financials Summary				
Revenues (Sales)	93	503	596	C\$ million per year
Operating Expenses (OPEX)	58	137	195	C\$ million per year
Initial Capital Expenditures (CAPEX)	481	923	1,404	C\$ million
Production Summary				
Life of Mine ("LOM")	25	-		years
Annual average production	103,328	42,616	-	tonnes/year

#### TARGETED PROJECT FINANCING » Contemplated debt:equity ratio of ~60:40

**Debt:** ongoing discussions with governmental and export credit agencies

Governmental levers: grants, forgivable loans and/or refundable Canadian investment tax credit (up to 80% of eligible expenses)

**Equity:** strategic investors and anchor customers



Lead arranger





# OVERVIEW OF PRELIMINARY ECONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS



ECONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS	<b>Uatnan Mining Project</b>
After-tax NPV (8 % discount rate)	C\$ 2,173 M
After-tax IRR	25.9%
After-tax payback	3.2 years
Annual average production	500,000 tonnes
OPEX per tonne of graphite concentrate	C\$268/tonne
Initial CAPEX	C\$ 1,417 M
Annual OPEX	C\$ 135 M

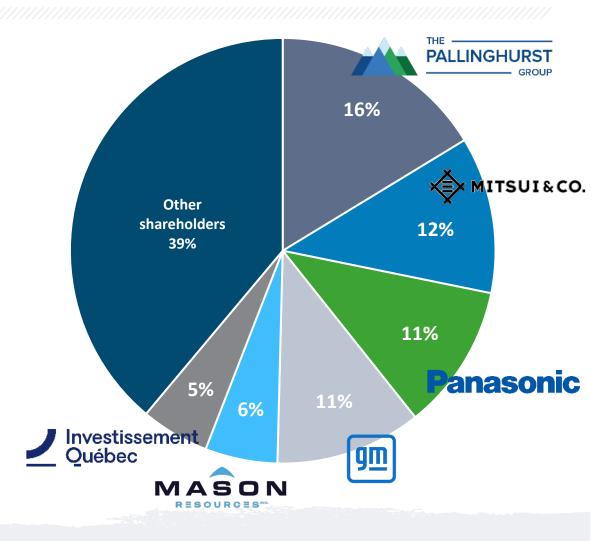


## + STRONG EQUITY HOLDERS & A SOUND CAPITAL STRUCTURE PROVIDE A SOLID FOUNDATION

POST TRANSACTION STRUCTURE	
Basic shares (M)	92.1
Warrants (M)	25.0
Convertible notes (M)	10.0
Warrants / convertible notes (M)	10.0
Other reserves (M)	1.8
Options (M)	4.7
Fully diluted shares (M)	143.7
Proforma cash position*	CA\$ 102 M

GE	Firm	Analyst	
COVERAGE	B. Riley Financial	Matthew Key	
00	Cormark Securities	MacMurray Whale	
SCH SCH	Evercore ISI	Stephen Richardson	
RESEARCH	H.C. Wainwright & Co.	Heiko F. Ihle	
RE	Roth Capital Partners	Joseph Reagor	

<sup>\*</sup> Based on December 31, 2023, financial reporting and reflecting the transaction announced on February 15, 2024. Top holders' position is rounded for the purpose of this presentation

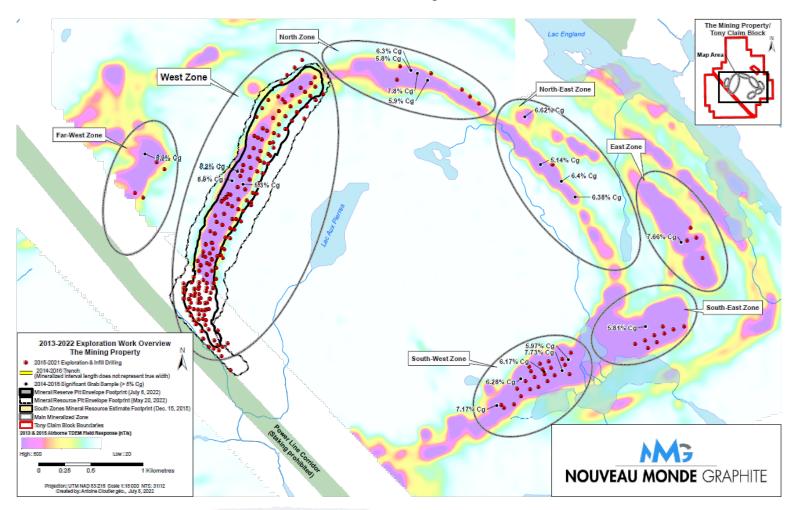




## APPENDIX



# + A UNIQUE AND SCALABLE GRAPHITE SOURCE UNDERPINS OUR INTEGRATED, FULLY-TRACEABLE OPERATIONS



A huge graphite resource at Matawinie, provides NMG with expansion potential

#### **MINERAL RESOURCES & RESERVES**

WEST ZONE	Mt	Cg
Measured	28.5	4.28%
Indicated	101.8	4.26%
Total Resources	130.3	4.26%
Reserves (Proven & Probable)	61.7	4.23%

Source: Updated Resources and Reserves as of July 6, 2022. Additional information available in the appendix and press release dated July 6, 2022.

#### **GRAPHITE CONCENTRATE FLAKE DISTRIBUTION**

FLAKE SIZE	PURITY	DISTRIBUTION
Jumbo (+50 mesh)		15%
Coarse (-50+80 mesh)	97% Cg	33%
Intermediate (-80+150 mesh)		28%
<b>Fine</b> (-150 mesh)		24%



#### + MATAWINIE UPDATED RESOURCE AND RESERVE SUMMARY

#### Current Pit-Constrained Mineral Resource Estimate for the West Zone(1)

Mineral Resource Category <sup>2</sup>	Curre	Current Resource (May 20, 2022) <sup>7</sup>			
	Tonnage (Mt) <sup>5,6</sup>	Grade (% Cg) <sup>3</sup>	Contained Graphite (Mt)		
Measured	28.5	4.28	1.22		
Indicated	101.8	4.26	4.33		
Measured + Indicated	130.3	4.26	5.55		
Inferred <sup>4</sup>	23.0	4.28	0.98		

- 1. The Mineral Resources provided in this table were estimated using current Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum ("CIM") Standards on Mineral Resources and Reserves, Definitions and Guidelines.
- 2. Mineral Resources that are not Mineral Reserves have not demonstrated economic viability. Additional trenching and/or drilling will be required to convert Inferred and Indicated Mineral Resources to Measured Mineral Resources. There is no certainty that any part of a Mineral Resource will ever be converted into Reserves.
- 3. All analyses used for the Resource Estimates were performed by ALS Minerals Laboratories and delivered as % Cq, internal analytical code C-IR18.
- 4. Inferred Mineral Resources represent material that is considered too speculative to be included in economic evaluations. Additional trenching and/or drilling will be required to convert Inferred Mineral Resources to Indicated or Measured Mineral Resources. It cannot be assumed that all or any part of the inferred resources will ever be upgraded to a higher resource category.
- 5. Current Resource effective May 20, 2022.
- 6. Mineral Resources are stated at a cut-off grade of 1.78 % Cg.
- 7. Standards used for this resource update are the same standards produced over the course of the Feasibility Study (results published December 10, 2018) and the Resource Update (results published March 19, 2020). The difference comes mainly from a newly accessible land package along the Hydro-Québec power line.



#### **Open-Pit Mineral Reserves Estimate for the West Zone**

Category	Tonnage (Mt)	Grade (% Cg)	Contained Graphite (Mt)
Proven	17.3	4.16	0.7
Probable	44.3	4.26	1.9
Proven & Probable	61.7	4.23	2.6

The Qualified Person for the Mineral Reserve Estimate is Jeffrey Cassoff, P. Eng., of BBA Inc. The effective date of the estimate is July 6, 2022

Mineral reserves were estimated using a graphite concentrate selling price of C\$2,137/tonne, and consider a 2% royalty, and selling costs of C\$47.92/tonne. An average grade of 97% was considered for the graphite concentrate. A metallurgical recovery of 93% was used. A cut-off grade of 2.20% Cg was used. The strip ratio for the open pit is 1.16 to 1.

The Mineral Reserves are inclusive of mining dilution and ore loss. The reference point for the mineral reserves is the primary crusher.

Totals may not add due to rounding.

## + UATNAN – A WORLD-CLASS DEPOSIT CURRENT MINERAL RESOURCE ESTIMATE

IN-PIT CONSTRAINED MINERAL RESOURCES	Tonnes (Mt)	Grade (% Cg)	Cg (Mt)
Measured 5.75% < Cg < 25%	15.65	15.2	2.38
Measured Cg > 25%	3.35	30.6	1.02
Total Measured	19.02	17.9	3.40
Indicated 5.75% < Cg < 25%	40.29	14.6	5.89
Indicated Cg > 25%	6.33	31.6	2.00
Total Indicated	46.62	16.9	7.89
Indicated + Measured 5.75% < Cg < 25%	55.94	14.8	8.27
Indicated + Measured Cg > 25%	9.70	31.2	3.03
Total Measured + Indicated	65.64	17.2	11.30
Inferred 5.75% < Cg < 25%	15.35	14.9	2.28
Inferred Cg > 25%	2.47	31.8	0.79
Total Inferred	17.82	17.2	3.07

#### Notes

- The Mineral Resources provided in this table were estimated by M. Rachidi P.Geo., and C. Duplessis, Eng., (QPs) of GoldMinds Geoservices Inc., using current Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum (CIM) Standards on Mineral Resources and Reserves, Definitions and Guidelines.
- 2. Mineral Resources which are not Mineral Reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. The estimate of Mineral Resources may be materially affected by environmental, permitting, legal, title, market or other relevant issues. The quantity and grade of reported Inferred Mineral Resources are uncertain in nature and there has not been sufficient work to define these Inferred Mineral Resources as indicated or Measured Mineral Resources. There is no certainty that any part of a Mineral Resource will ever be converted into Mineral Reserves.
- 3. The Mineral Resources presented here were estimated with a block size of 3mE x 3mN x 3mZ. The blocks were interpolated from equal-length composites (3 m) calculated from the mineralized intervals.
- 4. The Mineral Resource estimate was completed using the inverse distance to the square methodology utilizing three runs. For run 1, the number of composites was limited to ten with a maximum of two composites from the same drillhole. For runs two and three the number of composites was limited to ten with a maximum of one composite from the same drillhole.
- The Measured Mineral Resources classified using a minimum of four drillholes. Indicated resources classified using a minimum of two drillholes. The Inferred Mineral Resources were classified by a minimum of one drillholes.
- 6. Tonnage estimates are based on a fixed density of 2.9 t/m3.
- 7. A pit shell to constrain the Mineral Resources was developed using the parameters presented in Table 4. The effective date of the current Mineral Resources is January 10, 2023.
- 8. Mineral Resources are stated at a cut-off grade of 5.75% C(g).

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