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#### STRATEGY AND BUSINESS UPDATE

**South32 Limited (ASX, LSE, JSE: S32; ADR: SOUHY) (South32)** is pleased to provide the attached Strategy and Business Update.

South32 Chief Executive Officer, Graham Kerr will present at the BofA Securities Global Metals, Mining & Steel Conference on 16 May 2023 at 8:30pm Australian Western Standard Time.

The presentation is attached and an accompanying webcast will be made available on the South32 website on completion (<u>https://www.south32.net/investors/presentations-speeches</u>).

#### About us

South32 is a globally diversified mining and metals company. Our purpose is to make a difference by developing natural resources, improving people's lives now and for generations to come. We are trusted by our owners and partners to realise the potential of their resources. We produce commodities including bauxite, alumina, aluminium, copper, silver, lead, zinc, nickel, metallurgical coal and manganese from our operations in Australia, Southern Africa and South America. With a focus on growing our base metals exposure, we also have two development options in North America and several partnerships with junior explorers around the world.

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This presentation should be read in conjunction with the "Financial Results and Outlook - half year ended 31 December 2022" announcement released on 16 February 2023, which is available on South32's website (www.south32.net).

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Information in this presentation that relates to Ore/Coal Reserve or Mineral/Coal Resource estimates for all operations and projects was declared as part of South32's annual Resource and Reserve declaration in the FY22 Annual Report (<u>www.south32.net</u>) issued on 9 September 2022 and prepared by Competent Persons in accordance with the requirements of the JORC Code. South32 confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original announcements. All material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcement continue to apply and have not materially 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. For material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning Worsley Mineral Resources and Ora Reserves, please refer to the original announcement titled "Worsley Alumina Ore Reserves updated" dated 23 August 2018 and for material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning Illawarra Metallurgical Coal, Coal Reserves, please refer to original announcement titled "Illawarra Metallurgical Coal- Coal Reserves update" dated 17 June 2019.

Resource life is estimated using Mineral Resources (extracted from South32's FY22 Annual Report published on 9 September 2022 and available to view on <u>www.south32.net</u>) and Exploration Target (details of which are available in the "Hermosa Project Update" announcement published on 17 January 2022), converted to a run-of-mine basis using conversion factors, divided by the nominated run-of-mine production rate on a 100% basis. Whilst South32 believes thas a reasonable basis to reference this resource life and incorporate it within its Production Targets, it should be noted that resource life calculations are indicative only and do not necessarily reflect future uncertainties such as economic conditions. The cautionary statement included in the next paragraph relates to the proportion of Inferred Resources and Exploration Target when calculating Resource life and should be read in conjunction with this paragraph.

The information in this presentation that relates to the mineral resource and mineral resource estimates for the Sierra Gorda Cu-Mo-Au deposit was declared in the market release "South32 to acquire a 45% interest in the Sierra Gorda Copper Mine" dated 14 October 2021. The estimates are qualifying foreign estimates and are not reported in accordance with the JORC Code. Competent persons have not done sufficient work to classify the foreign estimates as Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves in accordance with the JORC Code. It is uncertain that following evaluation and further exploration the foreign estimates will be able to be reported as Mineral Resources or Ore Reserves in accordance with the JORC Code. South32 is not in possession of any new information or data relating to the foreign estimate that materially impacts on the reliability of the estimates. South32 confirms that the information contained in the clarifying statement in the market release referred above continues to apply and has not materially changed. South32 notes that the stockpiled ore referred to in this presentation is unclassified and cannot confirm whether the estimate has been compiled using an appropriate foreign reporting standard.

#### PRODUCTION TARGETS

Cannington: The information in this announcement that refers to the Production Target for Cannington is based on 100% Proved Ore Reserves. The Ore Reserves underpinning the Production Target was disclosed in South32's FY22 Annual Report published on 9 September 2022 (<u>www.south32.net</u>). The Ore Reserve estimate and supporting documentation was prepared by a Competent Person in accordance with the requirement of the JORC Code.

Illawarra Metallurgical Coal: The information in this announcement that refers to the Production Target for Appin (Illawarra Metallurgical Coal) is based on 14% Proved and 86% Probable Coal Reserves and for Wongawilli, it is based on 23% Proved and 52% Probable Coal Reserves and 20% Measured and 5% Indicated Coal Resources. The Coal Resources and Coal Reserves underpinning the Production Target was disclosed in South32's FY22 Annual Report published on 9 September 2022 (<a href="https://www.south32.net">www.south32.net</a>). The Coal Reserves and supporting documentation was prepared by Competent Persons in accordance with the requirement of the JORC Code.

Australia Manganese: The information in this announcement that refers to Production Target and forecast financial information is based on Proved (64%) and Probable (36%) Ore Reserves. The updated Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves underpinning the Production Target have been prepared by Joshua Harvey and Mark Bryant, Competent Person in accordance with the requirements of the JORC Code. The Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves estimates are published with this presentation and are available to view as an Annexure to this presentation.

MRN: The information in this announcement that refers to production target and forecast financial information for MRN is based on Measured (63%), Indicated (8%) and Inferred (29%) Mineral Resources. The Mineral Resources underpinning the Production Target have been prepared by a Competent Person in accordance with the requirement of the JORC Code and is available to view in South32's FY22 annual report (<u>www.south32.net</u>) published on 9 September 2022. South32 confirms that inclusion of 29% Inferred Mineral Resource tonnage is not the determining factor of the project viability and the project forecasts a positive financial performance when using 71% tonnage (63% Measured and 8% Indicated Mineral Resources). South32 is satisfied, therefore, that the use of Inferred Mineral Resources in the Production Target and forecast financial information reporting is reasonable.

#### **EXPLORATION TARGETS**

Peake: The information is this presentation that relates to Exploration Target for Peake is extracted from "Hermosa Project Update" released on 17 January 2022 and is available to view on <u>www.south32.net</u>. The information was prepared by a Competent Person in accordance with the requirements of the JORC Code. South32 confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcement. South32 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.

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Our purpose is to make a difference by developing natural resources, improving people's lives now and for generations to come. We are trusted by our owners and partners to realise the potential of their resources

We produce commodities critical to a low-carbon future

We have a pipeline of development options with the potential to deliver significant growth

Our consistent execution is underpinned by our disciplined capital allocation and strong balance sheet







**Our purpose is underpinned by a simple strategy** 



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### OPTIMISE

our business by working safely, minimising our impact, consistently delivering stable and predictable performance and continually improving our competitiveness



### UNLOCK

the full value of our business through our people, innovation, projects and technology



### IDENTIFY

and pursue opportunities to sustainably reshape our business for the future, and create enduring social, environmental and economic value

SLIDE 4

# OUR SUSTAINABILITY APPROACH



### Our approach to sustainability focuses on five interconnected pillars



### **Our FY23 focus areas**

- Implementing our Safety Improvement Program
- Embedding our Inclusion and Diversity Standard
- Implementing a global approach to indigenous and tribal peoples engagement and cultural heritage
- Executing our decarbonisation program pipeline
- Participating in pilot programs in support of TNFD<sup>(a)</sup>



### Our third-party ESG ratings<sup>1,2</sup>





# PROTECTING AND RESPECTING OUR PEOPLE

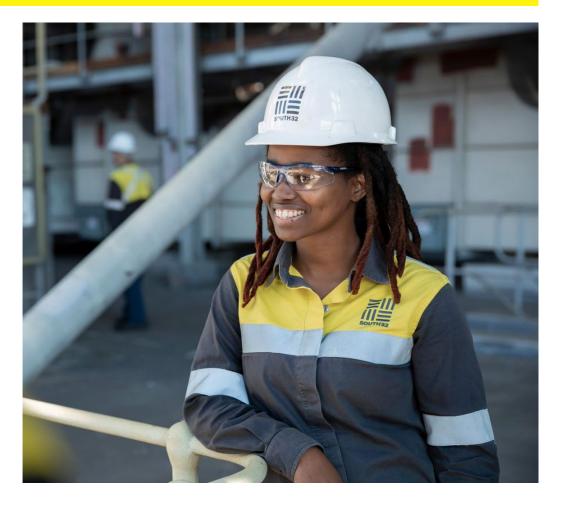
### Providing a safe and inclusive workplace to unlock the full potential of our people

### Our belief that we all guarantee everyone at South32 goes home safe and well

- Implementing our multi-year Safety Improvement Program to fundamentally shift our safety performance
- Rolling out our 'Lead Safely Every Day' training to enhance leadership capability and uplift culture
- Ensuring the sustained effectiveness of enabling systems

### Building an inclusive and diverse workforce

- Implementing our Inclusion and Diversity Standard
- Continuing to manage sexual harassment as a material safety risk and implementing additional controls
- Achieved 50% representation of women on our Lead Team and 26.6% at an Operational Lead Team level<sup>3</sup>, with plans in place to improve representation across all levels of the business



# ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE



### Progressing initiatives to support our target<sup>4</sup> to reduce operational GHG emissions 50% by 2035<sup>(a)</sup> and our goal<sup>4</sup> of net zero GHG emissions by 2050





Reshaping our portfolio through the lens of our climate commitments

- Acquired 45% of the Sierra Gorda copper mine and secured 100% renewable electricity
- Doubled our low-carbon aluminium<sup>5</sup> capacity
- Advancing a pipeline of options to strengthen our future supply of critical minerals

### Executing our pipeline of decarbonisation projects

- First coal to gas boiler conversion at Worsley Alumina on-track for mid CY23
- Focused on increasing the efficiency of coal seam gas drainage at Illawarra Metallurgical Coal and trialling new controls to address ventilation air methane
- Deploying AP3XLE energy efficiency technology at Hillside Aluminium

#### Partnering with others to address value chain emissions and support a just transition

- Established our first mechanism to link GHG emission reduction with freight costs under a shipping contract with Klaveness Combination Carriers
- Progressing just transition planning for Worsley Alumina and Hillside Aluminium, to support their transition from coal-fired energy

#### Responding to physical impacts of climate change

Updating our life of operations plans to reflect physical climate risk assessments, building on our past investments in water infrastructure

## OUR PORTFOLIO



### We have an attractive commodity mix and a growth pipeline in commodities critical to a low-carbon future

15% growth in aluminium and base metals volumes in FY23e<sup>6</sup>

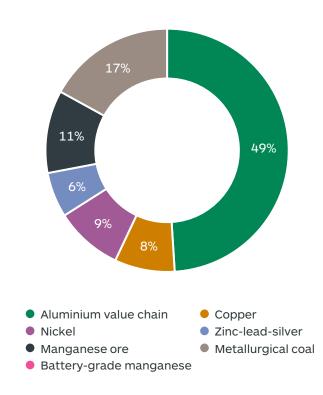
Multiple options at our Hermosa project in federally-designated critical minerals

Deep pipeline of options in study and exploration phases



| Greenfield exploration partnerships and prospects in: |        |           |      |           |         |  |  |  |  |
|---|--------|-----------|------|-----------|---------|--|--|--|--|
| <b>United States</b>                                  | Canada | Argentina | Peru | Australia | Ireland |  |  |  |  |
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#### Underlying revenue by commodity (H1 FY23)



# OUR GROWTH PIPELINE



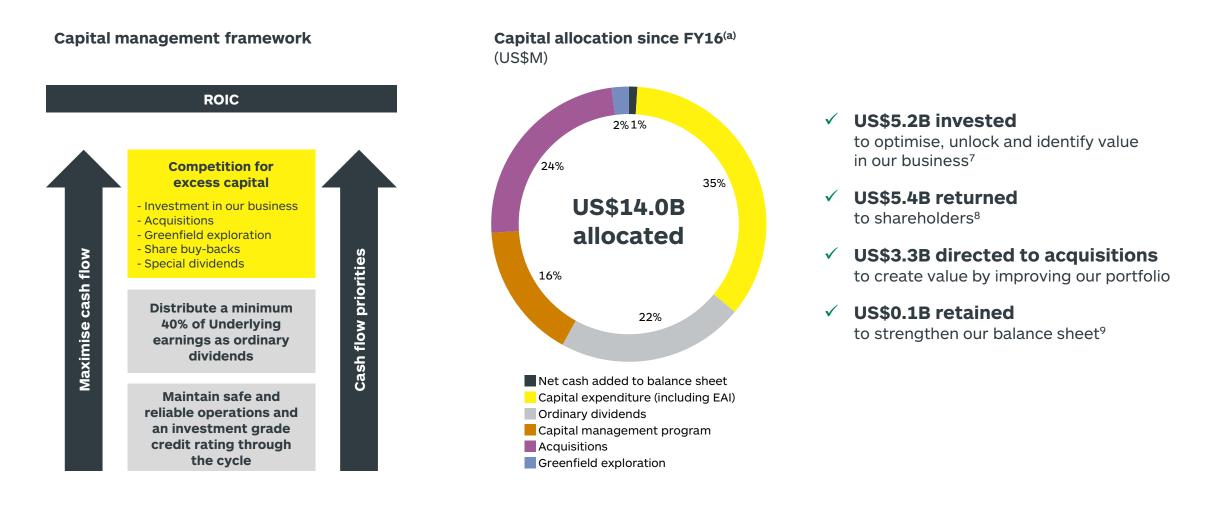
### We have embedded options with the potential to deliver significant growth in commodities for a low-carbon future



# OUR CAPITAL MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK





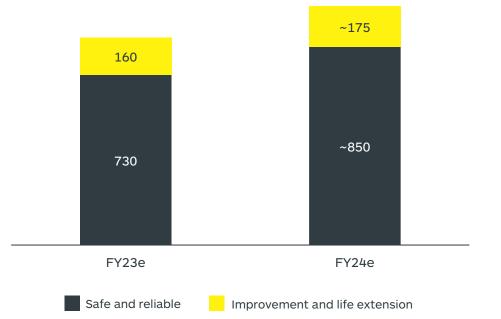


# OUR CAPITAL EXPENDITURE OUTLOOK



### Prioritising safe and reliable operations and unlocking value through improvement and growth projects

### **Capital expenditure guidance**<sup>(a)(b)</sup> (US\$M per annum)





We expect to direct US\$250M in FY23e at our Hermosa project, delivering critical path activity and study work for our Taylor and Clark deposits

Taylor's feasibility study is expected in H2 CY23, as we undertake additional engineering studies to align the development schedule for a permitting process under FAST-41 and incorporate current market cost estimates

We have approved a ~US\$60M investment to construct a decline at Clark, providing access to ore to facilitate demonstration scale production of battery-grade manganese

FY24 improvement and life extension capital includes:

- US\$75M at Worsley Alumina for new mining areas, energy security and decarbonisation
- US\$35M at Australia Manganese for the Eastern Lease South life extension project
- US\$15M at Sierra Gorda for plant de-bottlenecking and the feasibility study for the fourth grinding line expansion, which is expected to be completed in H1 FY24
- US\$15M at Brazil Alumina for the De-bottlenecking Phase Two project

FY24 safe and reliable capital includes:

- US\$190M at Sierra Gorda including deferred stripping and additional tailings infrastructure
- US\$290M at Illawarra Metallurgical Coal to support the transition to a single longwall configuration at Appin, and additional ventilation infrastructure<sup>(c)</sup> to extend Appin to 2039<sup>(d)</sup>

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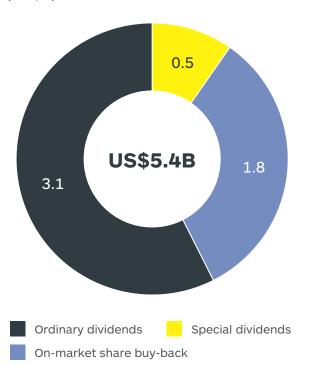
- a. Includes our Manganese and Sierra Gorda EAIs.
- b. FY23e and FY24e capital expenditure guidance includes the following assumptions for exchange rates: an AUD:USD exchange rate of 0.67, a USD:BRL exchange rate of 5.51, a USD:COP exchange rate of 4,630, a USD:MZN exchange rate of 67.94, a USD:ZAR exchange rate of 18.80 and a USD:CLP exchange rate of 857.
- c. ~US\$260M total investment in additional ventilation infrastructure, with US\$50M in FY23e, US\$90M in FY24e, US\$90M in FY25e and US\$30M in FY26e.
- d. Refer to important notices (slide 2) for additional disclosure.

# OUR SHAREHOLDER RETURNS



### We have returned US\$2.3B to shareholders through our ongoing capital management program over the past six years

### **Shareholder returns since FY16** (US\$B)



- Disciplined application of our capital management framework and strong balance sheet means shareholders benefit as our financial performance improves
- Our ongoing capital management program<sup>10</sup> has contributed to almost doubling our minimum shareholder returns ratio



- We apply a flexible approach when returning excess capital to shareholders between special dividends and our on-market share buy-back
- Our value driven on-market share buy-back<sup>(a)</sup> has reduced our shares on issue by 14%, further enhancing our per-share dividends through time

#### Notes:

a. Since inception, US\$1.7B has been allocated to our on-market share buy-back at an average buy-back price of A\$3.03 per share. Our on-market share buy-back has US\$109M remaining to be returned as at 30 April 2023.

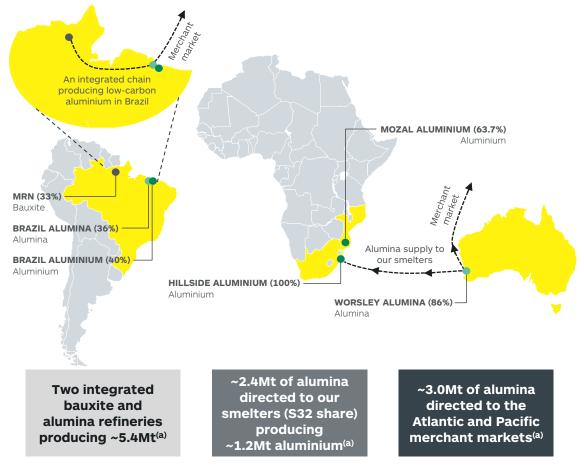
# **BUSINESS OVERVIEW**



# OUR ALUMINIUM VALUE CHAIN BUSINESS



### We have leading integrated positions in the aluminium value chain



### **Bauxite and Alumina**

- We are investing to further enhance our low-cost, integrated bauxite mines and alumina refineries<sup>11</sup>
  - Feasibility study commenced for the West Zone project at the MRN bauxite mine, with the potential to extend mine life by more than 20 years<sup>(b)(c)</sup>
  - Executing decarbonisation and energy security projects at Worsley Alumina, with the first coal to gas boiler conversion on-track for mid CY23
  - De-bottlenecking Phase Two project at Brazil Alumina is expected to lift capacity by 4% from H1 FY26

#### Aluminium

- Our recent investments in Mozal Aluminium<sup>12</sup> and Brazil Aluminium<sup>13</sup> have increased our low-carbon aluminium capacity >100%
  - Mozal Aluminium is delivering its recovery plan to schedule, with full production expected to be restored in Q1 FY24
  - Brazil Aluminium is on-track to deliver nameplate capacity in FY24, with our share of production expected to increase ~100% to 148kt

#### Notes:

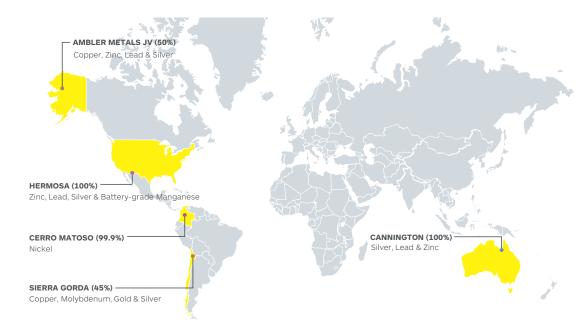
a. Based on FY24e production guidance.

- b. There is low level of geological confidence associated with the Inferred Mineral Resources and there is no certainty that further exploration work will result in the determination of Indicated Mineral Resources or that the Production Target will be realised. The stated Production Target is based on South32's current expectations of future results or events and should not be solely relied upon by investors when making investment decisions. Further evaluation work and appropriate studies are required to establish sufficient confidence that this target will be met.
- c. Refer to important notices (slide 2) for additional disclosure.

# OUR BASE METALS BUSINESS



### Base and precious metals production across copper, nickel, zinc, lead and silver, and a portfolio of growth options



| 18% growth in base and precious metals production in FY23e <sup>(a)</sup> |           |         |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|-----------|---------|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 71.8kt  | 40.5kt    | 60.5kt  | 11Moz     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| of copper   | of nickel | of zinc | of silver |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

#### Sierra Gorda copper

- Capital efficient de-bottlenecking project on-track to be completed in FY24
- Fourth grinding line expansion study underway, with the potential to increase plant throughput by ~15-20% and lower operating unit costs

#### Cannington zinc-lead-silver

- Production recovering to plan following recent floods in northern Queensland
- Studying tailings reprocessing and open pit options to potentially extend the operation's life beyond the current 7 years of underground Ore Reserves<sup>(b)</sup>

#### **Cerro Matoso nickel**

- Commissioned the OSMOC project, maintaining future nickel grades, and extended Cerro Matoso's mining contract by 15 years to 2044
- Studying the potential to produce incremental volume in the form of intermediary products for battery markets

#### Portfolio of attractive development and exploration options

- Our Hermosa project in Arizona, USA, hosts multiple options to increase our future supply of critical minerals
- We have established a portfolio of 25+ greenfield exploration options in prospective mineral belts with significant activity underway in Alaska, Argentina and northern Australia

#### Notes:

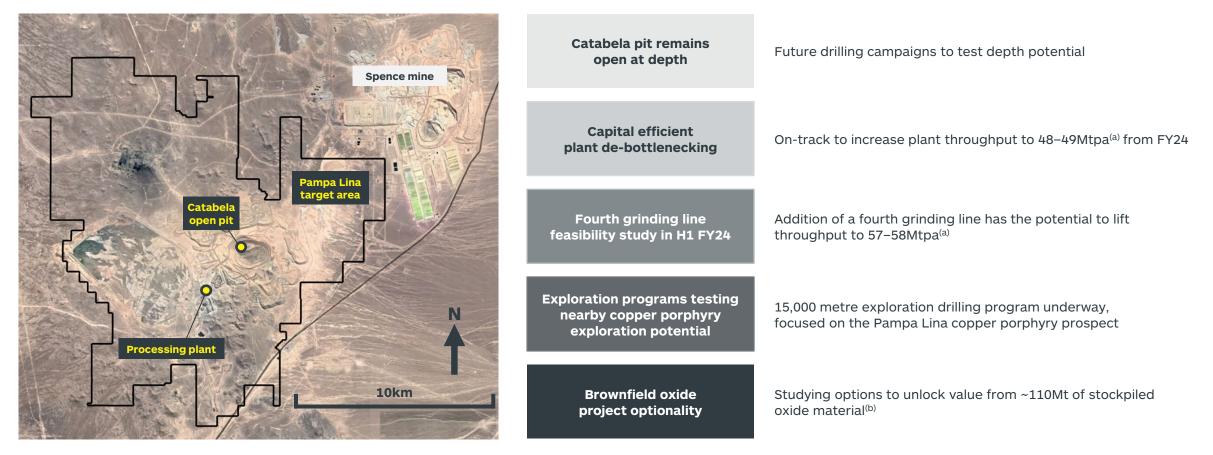
- a. FY23e copper equivalent production for Sierra Gorda, Cerro Matoso and Cannington, compared to FY22.
- b. Refer to important notices (slide 2) for additional disclosure

# SIERRA GORDA COPPER



### The acquisition of Sierra Gorda has lifted Group margins and embedded options for further copper growth

### Sierra Gorda location



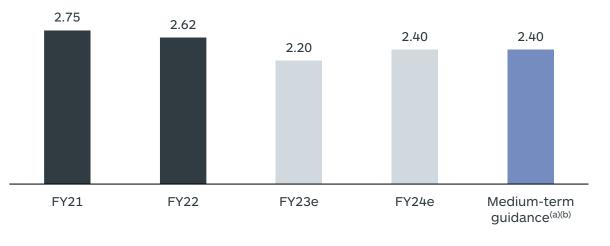
# CANNINGTON ZINC-LEAD-SILVER

# Transition to 100% truck haulage completed, bringing forward higher-grade material

### Summary

- Transition to a 100% truck haulage operation completed in Q2 FY23
- Decommissioning the underground infrastructure has reduced constraints on underground mining sequences, allowing for higher-grade material to be brought forward in the mine plan
- H1 FY23 production volumes impacted by the underperformance of temporary crushers and labour availability
- Operation temporarily suspended due to severe flooding in Q3 FY23
- Production is recovering to plan and the operation is on-track to meet revised FY23e production guidance, with plant throughput expected to increase by 9% in FY24e as we rebuild ROM stocks
- Medium-term production guidance reflects our expectation of more complex underground mining conditions, with a greater number of stopes of varying size from FY24

### Ore processed (Mdmt)



### Payable production

|              | FY21  | FY22  | FY23e | FY24e | Medium-term<br>guidance <sup>(a)(b)</sup> |
|--------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| Zinc (kt)    | 67.7  | 64.5  | 60.5  | 62.0  | ~50.0                                     |
| Lead (kt)    | 131.8 | 120.6 | 102.0 | 115.0 | ~110.0                                    |
| Silver (Moz) | 13.7  | 12.9  | 11.0  | 12.5  | ~12.0                                     |

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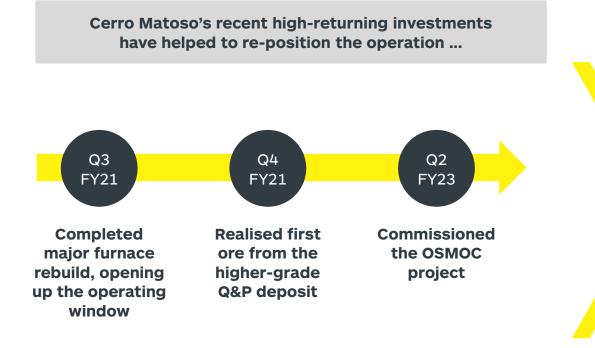
a. FY25 to FY28 average.

b. Refer to important notices (slide 2) for additional disclosure.

# CERRO MATOSO NICKEL



### We have allocated capital at Cerro Matoso to unlock value and create options for potential supply into new nickel markets



### ... and sets a strong platform to unlock further value following its mining contract extension to 2044

#### Creating options to optimise product mix into battery supply chains

- Expanded processing capacity delivered by the OSMOC project has underpinned a 15-year extension to the mining contract, creating options for future investments at the operation
- The proximity of the operation to the US and the Free Trade Agreement with Colombia may provide a pathway to supply the rapidly growing North American market
- We continue to study the potential to produce incremental volumes of intermediate products for battery markets, including mixed hydroxide precipitate and nickel matte

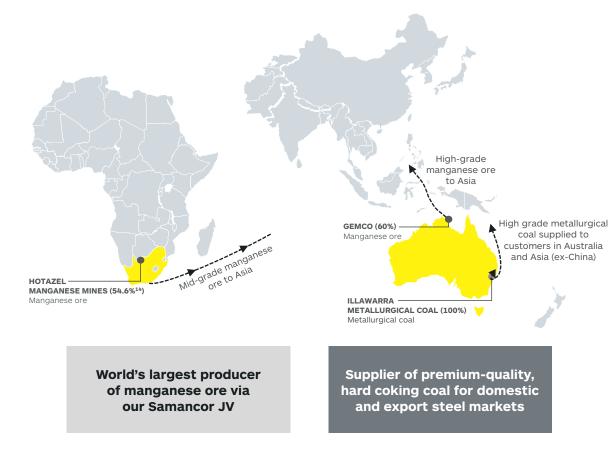
#### Furnace maintenance program to sustain an extended operating life

- Planned furnace repair and refurbishment scheduled for Q4 FY25 is expected to underpin plant performance over the operating life
- This is expected to result in a ~20% reduction in nickel production in FY25, before returning to normalised levels in FY26

# OUR STEELMAKING RAW MATERIALS BUSINESS



### Supplying high quality manganese ore and coking coal products for domestic and export markets



#### Manganese ore

- Approved the Eastern Lease South life extension project<sup>(a)</sup>, extending the life of GEMCO, one of the largest, lowest cost operations in the world<sup>15</sup>
- Studying options to unlock logistics capacity in our South Africa manganese business and expand our high-grade Wessels mine

#### **Metallurgical coal**

- Investing to improve productivity and extend the mine life of Appin
  - Transitioning to a more efficient single longwall configuration from FY25
  - Installing additional ventilation capacity to enable mining in Area 7 until at least 2039
- Pursuing a capital efficient approach to optimise Dendrobium
  - Focused on optimising approved domains (Areas 3A, 3B and 3C), following our decision not to invest in the Dendrobium Next Domain project
  - Saleable production expected to average ~1.5Mtpa between FY24 and FY28<sup>(b)(c)</sup>, with gas drainage and study work completed to date supporting the potential for further mine life
- Between FY24 and FY28<sup>(b)(c)</sup> we expect the operation to deliver average annual saleable production of ~5.5Mt

#### Notes:

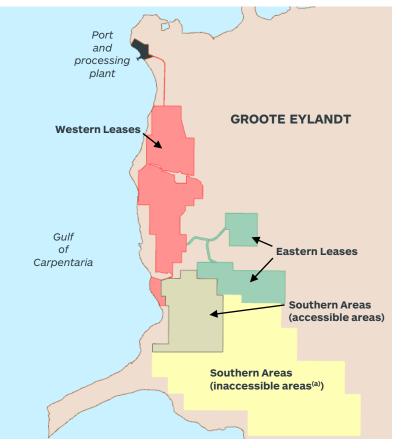
- a. Refer Annexure with Australia Manganese Ore Reserves as at 30 April 2023.
- b. Based on average between FY24 and FY28, with outcomes to vary depending on the timing of longwall moves.
- c. Refer to important notices (slide 2) for additional disclosure.

# AUSTRALIA MANGANESE



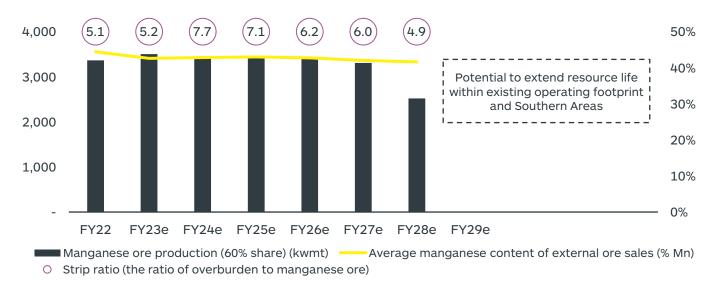
### **Progressing studies to extend the operation's life into the next decade**

### Australia Manganese mining areas and infrastructure



- We have approved the Eastern Lease South life extension project, with first ore expected FY25
- Low capital (US\$44M<sup>(b)</sup>), high-returning project (IRR >50%<sup>16</sup>) that extends the operation's life to at least FY28<sup>(c)</sup>
- Additional study work underway on other areas within our existing operating footprint and the Southern Areas, to potentially extend the operation's life into the next decade

### **Manganese ore production and average manganese content of external ore sales** (kwmt, LHS; % Mn, RHS)



Notes:

a. A portion of Southern Areas is currently inaccessible due to water catchment and cultural heritage considerations.

- b. South32 share, with expected capital expenditure of US\$35M in FY24e and US\$9M in FY25e.
- c. Refer to important notices (slide 2) for additional disclosure.



# **GROWTH AND EXPLORATION**

# OUR FUTURE GROWTH THROUGH DEVELOPMENT & DISCOVERY





#### Notes:

a. We have exercised our earn-in right to acquire a 50.1% ownership interest in Minsud's Argentinian subsidiary (MSA) that holds and operates its flagship Chita Valley project.

b. The exploration projects, partnerships or options on this slide reflect a combination of wholly-owned South32 projects, exploration partnerships, strategic alliances and earn-in agreements.

## HERMOSA PROJECT



# Only advanced project in the US with the potential to produce two critical minerals, zinc and manganese, recently confirmed as the first mining project to be added to the FAST-41 process

| Taylor zinc-lead-silver                           | Clark battery-grade manganese-          | Regional resource                 |
|---|---|-----------------------------------|
| development option                                | zinc-silver development option          | growth potential                  |
| Targeting a sustainable operation                 | Advancing discussions with customers to | Highly prospective regional       |
| with 20+ year resource life <sup>(a)</sup> in the | supply battery-grade manganese into     | land package with identified      |
| first quartile of the cost curve                  | rapidly forming North American markets  | copper and base metals targets    |
|   |   |                                   |
| Feasibility study and                             | Pilot plant production commenced,       | Exploration ongoing at Peake,     |
| FID expected H2 CY23                              | starting decline construction H2 CY23   | planning to drill Flux in H2 CY23 |

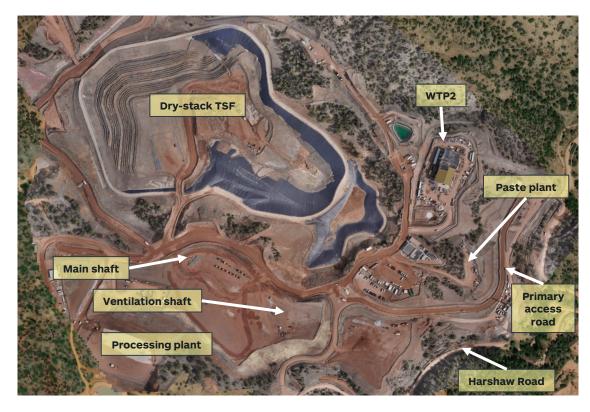
# TAYLOR OVERVIEW



### Potential to be a globally significant producer of base metals

| Taylor Highlights   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 138Mt zinc-lead-silver<br>Mineral Resource <sup>(a)</sup> , which<br>remains open at depth                    | Exploration target ranging<br>from 10 to 95Mt <sup>(a)</sup>  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PFS outlined potential for a<br>sustainable operation with a<br>20+ year initial resource life <sup>(a)</sup> | Designed as a low-impact,<br>low-carbon underground mine<br>with conventional process plant                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| We are optimising the mine<br>development schedule for a<br>FAST-41 permitting process                        | Feasibility study on-track<br>for H2 CY23, incorporating the<br>revised schedule and current<br>market cost estimates |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

### **Taylor site map**



## CLARK OVERVIEW



Ideally positioned to provide secure, localised supply of battery-grade manganese for the North American market

Only advanced project in the US with a clear pathway to produce battery-grade manganese (BGM) from locally sourced ore

Confirmed flowsheet to produce high-purity manganese sulphate monohydrate (HPMSM) PFS-S confirmed potential to produce ~60ktpa BGM, plus zinc and silver, over a ~60 year period<sup>17</sup>

Commenced pilot plant production with samples being prepared for feedback from potential customers

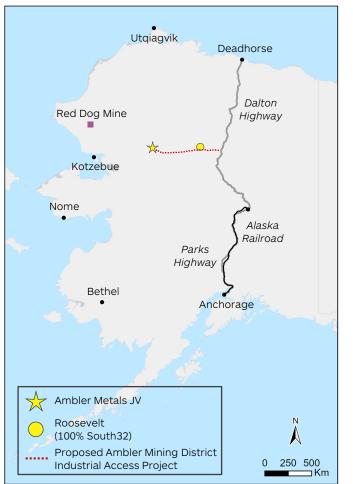
Preparing to construct a decline to access ore to facilitate demonstration plant output from late CY25 Fully integrated operation has carbon and traceability benefits sought after by end users

# OUR EXPLORATION PORTFOLIO IN ALASKA



### Attractive copper and polymetallic options in the prolific Ambler mining district

### Alaska regional map



#### Ambler Metals JV (50%)

- 50% interest in the Ambler Metals joint venture, which hosts two known base metals deposits and numerous, early-stage volcanogenic massive sulphide (VMS) style exploration prospects
  - Arctic polymetallic deposit is one of the highest grade undeveloped base metals projects globally, with a JORC Mineral Resource estimate of 37Mt averaging 3.06% Cu and 4.30% Zn<sup>(a)</sup>
  - Bornite copper deposit is a large, carbonate hosted copper deposit, open at depth and laterally, with open pit and underground potential
  - Focused on consolidating geological knowledge and advancing engineering studies for Arctic, while monitoring progress on approvals for the Ambler Mining District Industrial Access Project, with a supplemental Environmental Impact Study expected in Q2 FY24

#### **Roosevelt Project (100%)**

• Fully permitted, 10,000m drill program scheduled for the upcoming summer field season, targeting potential copper and zinc mineralisation

#### Arctic Deposit Mineral Resource<sup>(a)</sup>

| Classification | Mt  | Cu (%) | Zn (%) | Pb (%) | Ag (g/t) | Au (g/t) |
|----------------|-----|--------|--------|--------|----------|----------|
| Indicated      | 33  | 3.14   | 4.43   | 0.80   | 49       | 0.63     |
| Inferred       | 4.7 | 2.55   | 3.34   | 0.57   | 37       | 0.38     |
| Open Pit       | 37  | 3.06   | 4.30   | 0.77   | 47       | 0.60     |

### Bornite Deposit Mineral Resource<sup>(a)</sup>

| Classification | Mt | Cu (%) |
|----------------|----|--------|
| Indicated      | 40 | 1.06   |
| Inferred       | 38 | 1.03   |
| Open Pit       | 78 | 1.04   |
| Indicated      | -  | -      |
| Inferred       | 70 | 2.29   |
| Underground    | 70 | 2.29   |

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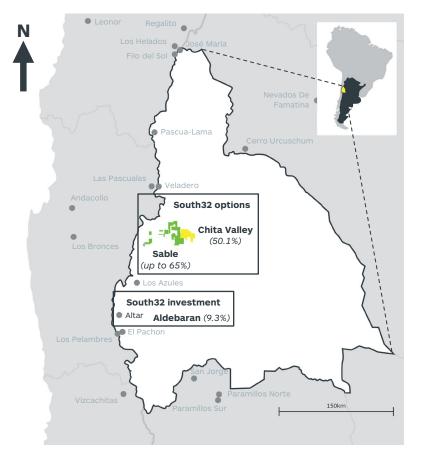
a. As at 30 June 2022. Refer to important notices (slide 2) for additional disclosure.

# OUR EXPLORATION PORTFOLIO IN ARGENTINA



### The San Juan province of Argentina hosts several copper deposits along a highly prospective mineral belt

### San Juan province, Argentina



### We have invested in greenfield exploration partnerships in the San Juan province since November 2019, targeting copper porphyry style opportunities

### Chita Valley (50.1%)

- We recently exercised our earn-in right with Minsud Resources for 50.1% of the Chita Valley copper porphyry exploration prospect<sup>(a)</sup>
- We expect to complete the transaction and assume operatorship in the March 2024 quarter
- 21,700m drill program underway as part of the year 4 partnership with Minsud Resources

### Sable Resources Ltd (option to acquire up to a 65% interest in the project)

• The Don Julio copper project comprises a 69,350 hectare land package prospective for copper, silver and gold. A 5,900m scout drilling program is currently underway

### Aldebaran Resources Inc. (9.3% equity interest)

- 9.3% equity interest in Aldebaran Resources Inc., which holds an option to acquire a controlling interest in the Altar porphyry copper development project
- 15,000m drill program expected to be completed in H1 FY24



# SUMMARY



### SUMMARY





We produce commodities critical to a low-carbon future

Our recent investments have delivered strong growth in copper and low-carbon aluminium

We are progressing options to further increase our leverage to attractive long-term markets

Our consistent execution is underpinned by our disciplined capital allocation and strong balance sheet



# MARKETS OUTLOOK

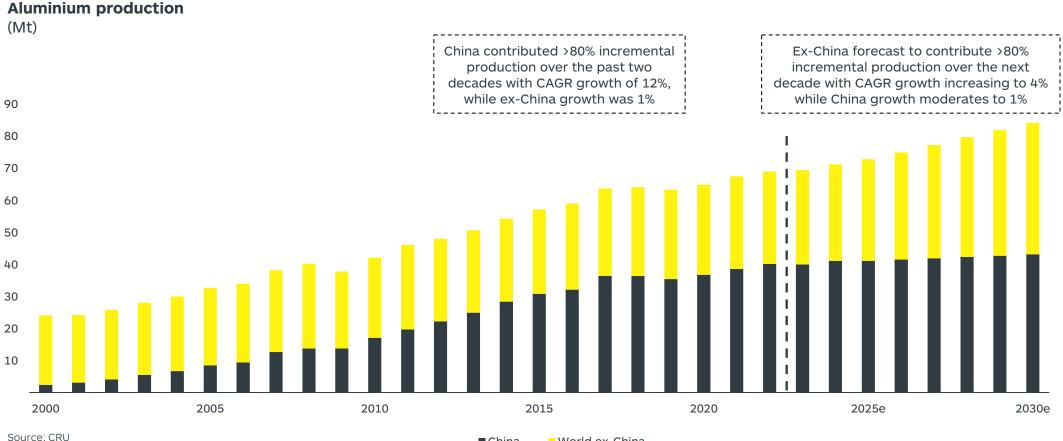


## ALUMINIUM MARKET



Healthy demand growth (~3% p.a.) driven by transport and packaging sectors, and clean energy transition With China's smelting capacity expected to be capped at 45Mt, the rest of the world is required to invest in new smelting capacity to meet demand

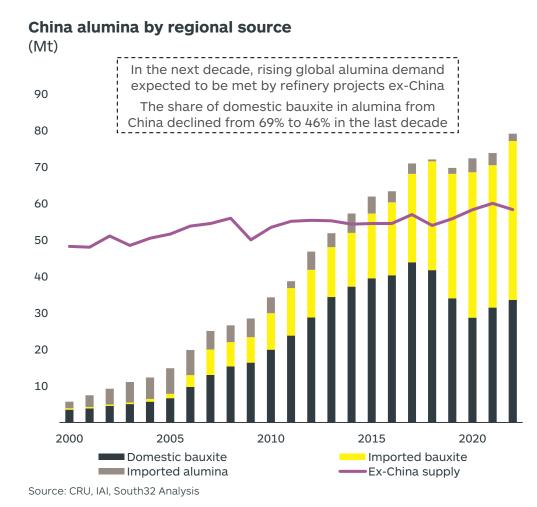
Long-term price to be supported by higher inducement cost projects outside of China, powered by green energy



## ALUMINA MARKET



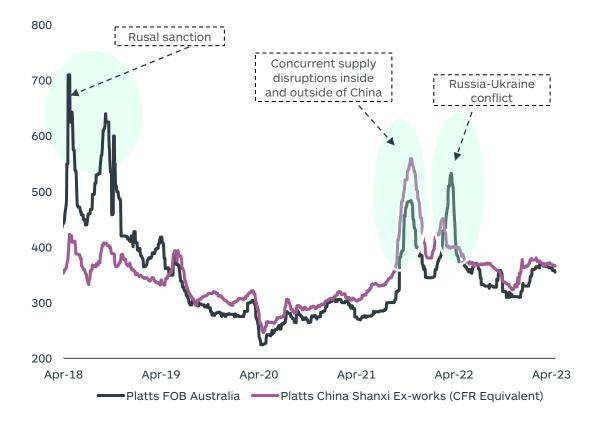
### Changing market dynamics and growing Chinese dependence on imported bauxite (+31% to 54% in the last decade)



Inducement cost projects expected to be built outside of China due to declining bauxite self-sufficiency and environmental policy

### Alumina prices

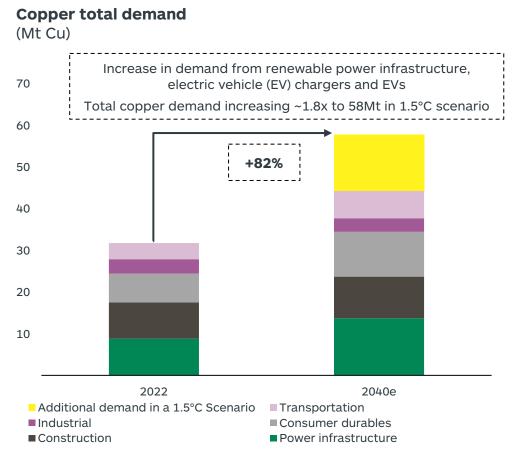
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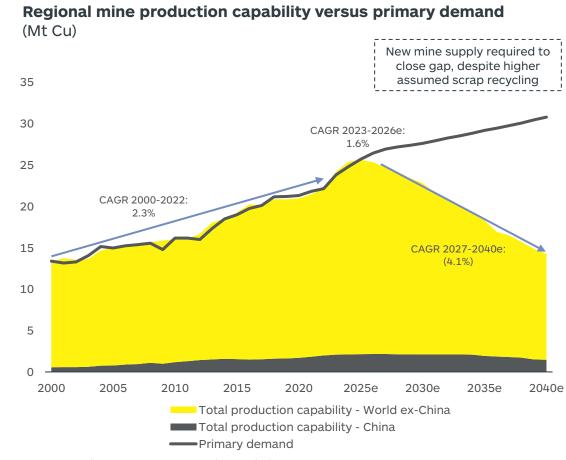
### COPPER MARKET



Copper demand outlook is well supported by the proliferation of renewables and rising electric vehicle penetration



Projected demand and supply gap by 2040e equivalent to requiring an additional ~1Mt of copper production each year



Source: Wood Mac LTO Q4 2022, South32 analysis

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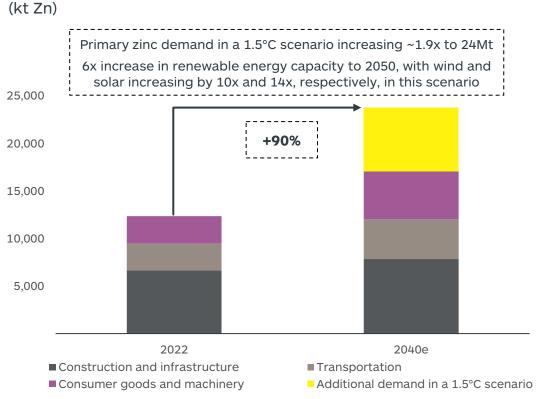
### ZINC MARKET



Rapid renewables deployment could see zinc demand double over the next two decades, as zinc coatings are critical in protecting wind and solar infrastructure

China's supply is constrained by rising environmental regulations and falling grades Projected demand and supply gap by FY31 equivalent to requiring more than 10 new Taylor<sup>(a)</sup> sized projects

### Zinc primary demand



**YoY growth in Chinese mine supply and zinc price** (kt Zn, LHS; US\$/t, RHS)



Source: South32 analysis

Source: South32 analysis, LME

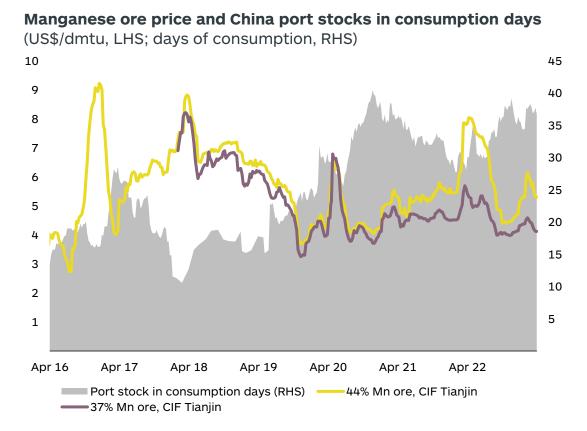
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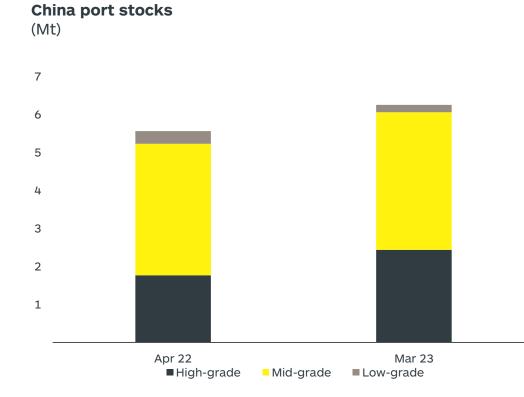
a. Based on Taylor Deposit pre-feasibility study with 130kt per annum steady state payable zinc production.

### MANGANESE MARKET



Chinese energy costs have supported a preference for high-grade ores and a widening premium Price movement in the short-term remains driven by pace of recovery in Chinese demand and supply dynamics We continue to expect the long term price to be set by marginal South African supply transitioning underground over time





Source: Fastmarkets, Ferroalloy.net, South32 Analysis

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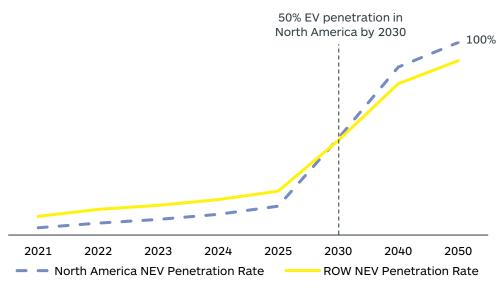
# BATTERY-GRADE MANGANESE MARKET



Committed government policies are expected to underpin a near six-fold increase in North American EV penetration levels by 2030

We expect manganese-rich battery chemistries to capture ~30% of the market by 2030, and >50% by 2040 Manganese-rich cathodes provide substantial cost, performance and sustainable sourcing benefits

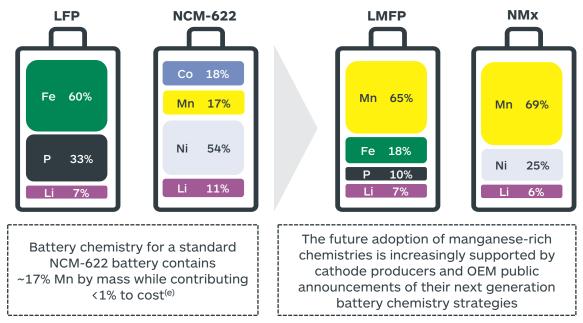
EV (passenger car and commercial vehicle) penetration rates<sup>(a)(b)(c)(d)</sup>



Source: South32 analysis

### **Electric vehicle battery chemistries**

Active cathode materials, % by mass



Source: BloombergNEF, Esource and other publicly available information

#### Notes:

- a. NEV (new electric vehicles) includes plug-in hybrids, battery EVs and hydrogen fuel-cell passenger cars
- b. Passenger car and commercial vehicles include commercial trucks/SUVs.
- c. EV penetration is calculated as EV production divided by total automobile production.
- d. North America refers to US, Canada and Mexico.
- e. Based on prices as at the end of 2022.

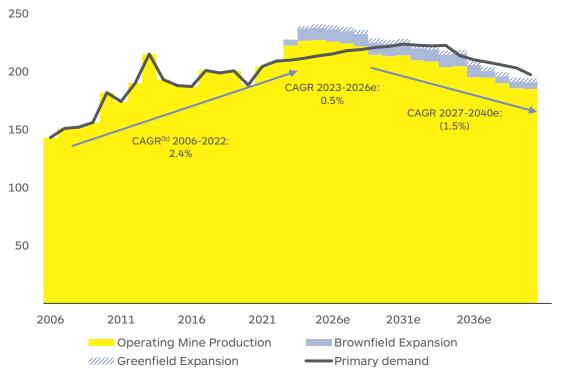
# HARD COKING COAL MARKET

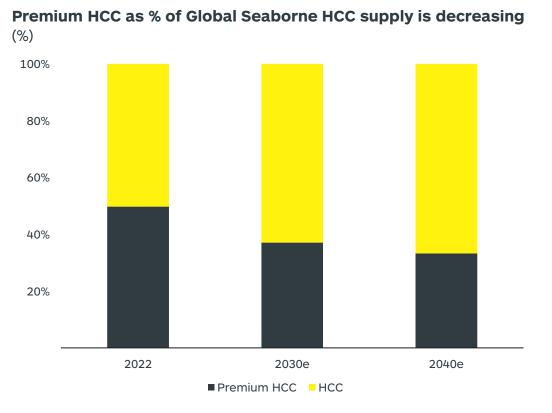


Demand for premium HCC<sup>(a)</sup> will continue to increase until the commercial adoption of a viable steelmaking substitute

Permitting challenges are constraining new mine supply Shortage of premium HCC expected to provide further price support for high grade product







Source: CRU 2022 Q3, South32 analysis

#### Notes:

- a. Premium hard coking coal (HCC) is classified as CSR (coke strength after reaction) greater than 65.
- b. CAGR for production/estimated production from operating mines.



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# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION



| As at 30 April 20            | 23      |           |           |           |             |           |          |           |          |         |              |         |                     | As at 30 J | une 2022    |         |
|------------------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|---------|--------------|---------|---------------------|------------|-------------|---------|
| Material Type <sup>(1)</sup> | Measure | d Mineral | Resources | Indicated | l Mineral F | Resources | Inferred | Mineral R | esources | Total N | /lineral Res | sources | South32<br>interest | Total M    | lineral Res | sources |
|                              | Mt      | % Mn      | % Yield   | Mt        | % Mn        | % Yield   | Mt       | % Mn      | % Yield  | Mt      | % Mn         | % Yield | %                   | Mt         | % Mn        | % Yield |
|                              |         |           |           |           |             |           |          |           |          |         |              |         | 60                  |            |             |         |
| ROM <sup>(2)</sup>           | 67      | 44.7      | 48        | 35        | 41.0        | 47        | 26       | 44.2      | 45       | 129     | 43.6         | 47      |                     | 138        | 43.6        | 47      |
| Sands <sup>(3)</sup>         |         |           |           | 13        | 20.0        |           |          |           |          | 13      | 20.0         |         |                     | 9.0        | 19.5        |         |
| <b>N</b> - +                 |         |           |           |           |             |           |          |           |          |         |              |         |                     |            |             |         |

Notes: (1) Cut-off grade

| (1) out on grade |       |                          |  |
|------------------|-------|--------------------------|--|
|                  |       | Mineral Resources        |  |
| GEMCO            | ROM   | ≥35% Mn washed product   |  |
|                  | Sands | No cut-off grade applied |  |

(2) Mineral Resources are stated as in-situ, manganese grades are stated as per washed ore samples and should be read together with their respective mass recovery expressed as yields (3) Mineral Resource tonnes and manganese grades are stated as in-situ.

| As at 30 April 2023                | As at 30 April 2023 As at 30 June 2022 |           |         |                   |            |         |                   |            |         |                 |                     |      |            |         |                 |
|------------------------------------|--|-----------|---------|-------------------|------------|---------|-------------------|------------|---------|-----------------|---------------------|------|------------|---------|-----------------|
| Material Type <sup>(1)(2)(3)</sup> | Prove                                  | d Ore Res | erves   | Probal            | ole Ore Re | serves  | Tota              | l Ore Rese | erves   | Reserve<br>life | South32<br>interest | Tota | l Ore Rese | erves   | Reserve<br>life |
|                                    | Mt <sup>(4)</sup>                      | % Mn      | % Yield | Mt <sup>(4)</sup> | % Mn       | % Yield | Mt <sup>(4)</sup> | % Mn       | % Yield | Years           | %                   | Mt   | % Mn       | % Yield | Years           |
|                                    |  |           |         |                   |            |         |                   |            |         | 4.7             | 60                  |      |            |         |                 |
| ROM                                | 28                                     | 42.9      | 58      | 16                | 42.2       | 53      | 44                | 42.6       | 56      |                 |                     | 35   | 43.0       | 59      | 3.9             |
| Sands                              |  |           |         | 7.3               | 40.0       | 22      | 7.3               | 40.0       | 22      |                 |                     | 5.8  | 40.0       | 19      |                 |

Notes:

(1) Cut-off grade

|       |       | Ore Reserves             |
|-------|-------|--------------------------|
| GEMCO | ROM   | ≥40% Mn washed product   |
|       | Sands | No cut-off grade applied |

(2) Ore Reserves are stated as delivered to plant, manganese grades are stated as expected product and should be read together with their respective mass yields (3) Tonnes are stated on a dry basis.

#### **Competent Persons Statement**

The information in this report that relates to the Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve estimate for GEMCO represents an estimate as at 30 April 2023, and is based on information compiled by Mr. Joshua Harvey and Mr. Mark Bryant, Competent Persons who are Members of The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr. Harvey is a full-time employee of South32 and completed the Mineral Resource estimate. Mr. Bryant is a full-time employee of Bryant Mining Pty. Ltd. and was engaged by South32 to provide an Ore Reserve estimate. Both the Competent Persons have sufficient experience relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity being undertaken to qualify as Competent Persons as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Mr Harvey and Mr. Bryant consent to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on the information in the form and context in which it appears.

# FOOTNOTES



- 1. In January 2023, South32 Limited received an ESG Risk Rating of 25.3 and was assessed by Morningstar Sustainalytics to be at Medium risk of experiencing material financial impacts from ESG factors. In no event shall this presentation be construed as investment advice or expert opinion as defined by the applicable legislation. Copyright © 2023 Morningstar Sustainalytics. All rights reserved. This publication contains information developed by Sustainalytics (www.sustainalytics.com). Such information and data are proprietary of Sustainalytics and/or its third party suppliers (Third Party Data) and are provided for informational purposes only. They do not constitute an endorsement of any product or project, nor an investment advice and are not warranted to be complete, timely, accurate or suitable for a particular purpose. Their use is subject to conditions available at <a href="https://www.sustainalytics.com/legal-disclaimers">https://www.sustainalytics.com/legal-disclaimers</a>
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- 3. As at H1 FY23. Commencing FY23 the definition of Operational Lead Team was expanded to include functional leaders based at operations.
- 4. Target is defined as an intended outcome in relation to which we have identified one or more pathways for delivery of that outcome, subject to certain assumptions or conditions. Goal is defined as an aspiration to deliver an outcome for which we have not identified a pathway for delivery, but for which efforts will be pursued towards achieving that outcome, subject to certain assumptions or conditions.
- 5. Refers to aluminium produced using renewable power.
- 6. FY23e growth in copper equivalent production at our aluminium (Brazil Aluminium, Hillside Aluminium) and base metals (Sierra Gorda, Cannington and Cerro Matoso) operations, compared to FY22. Copper equivalent production was calculated using FY22 realised prices for all operations except for Brazil Aluminium which is based on FY22 average index price for aluminium.
- 7. Total capital expenditure, greenfield exploration and intangibles (including equity accounted investments and divested operations) from FY16 onwards to H1 FY23.
- 8. Includes ordinary dividends, special dividends and on-market share buy-back paid from FY16, plus US\$109M remaining on our current capital management program.
- 9. Calculated as the difference in net debt of US\$402M at 30 June 2015 and net debt of US\$298M as at 31 March 2023. Net debt number is unaudited and should not be considered as an indication of or alternative to an IFRS measure of profitability, financial performance or liquidity.
- 10. Inclusive of special dividends and on-market share buy-back (incorporating the US\$109M remaining on our capital management program which expires on 1 September 2023 unless the program is extended).
- 11. Based on the CRU Cost Model 2022, cash cost basis.
- 12. Refer to market release "South32 completes acquisition of additional shareholding in Mozal Aluminium" dated 31 May 2022.
- 13. Refer to market release "Restart of Brazil Aluminium using renewable power" dated 6 January 2022.
- 14. South Africa Manganese ore is reported as a 54.6% interest reflecting our Metalloys manganese alloy smelter (60% interest) having been placed on care and maintenance, and aligning with our interest in Hotazel Manganese Mines (HMM). South32 has a 44.4% ownership interest in HMM. 26% of HMM is owned by a B-BBEE consortium comprising Ntsimbintle Mining (9%), NCAB Resources (7%), Iziko Mining (5%) and HMM Education Trust (5%). The interests owned by NCAB Resources, Iziko Mining and HMM Education Trust were acquired using vendor finance with the loans repayable via distributions attributable to these parties, pro rata to their share in HMM. Until these loans are repaid, South32's interest in HMM is accounted at 54.6%.
- 15. Based on the CRU Cost Model 2022.
- 16. IRR is predicated on our internal price forecast for 44% manganese.
- 17. Refer to market release "Hermosa Project Update" dated 9 May 2023.

#### The denotation (e) refers to an estimate or forecast year.

The following abbreviations have been used throughout this presentation: silver (Ag); gold (Au); Australian dollar (AUD); billion (B); battery-grade manganese (BGM); Brazilian real (BRL); Chilean peso (CLP); Colombian peso (COP); copper (Cu); calendar year (CY); dry metric tonne (dmt); equity accounted investment (EAI); environmental, social and governance (ESG); electric vehicle (EV); Title 41 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST-41); final investment decision (FID); financial year (FY); greenhouse gas (GHG); half (H); high-purity manganese sulphate monohydrate (HPMSM); joint venture (JV); kilo (k); lithium ferrophosphate (LFP); lithium manganese iron phosphate (LMFP); metre (m); million (M); manganese (Mn); molybdenum (Mo); Mineração Rio do Norte (MRN); Mozambican metical (MZN); 60% nickel, 20% cobalt and 20% manganese battery (NCM-622); new electric vehicles (NEV); cobalt-free nickel-manganese (NMx); original equipment manufacturer (OEM); Ore Sorting and Mechanical Ore Concentration (OSMOC); troy ounces (oz); pre-feasibility study (PFS); selection phase of the pre-feasibility study (PFS-S); return on invested capital (ROIC); Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosures (TNFD); tonnes per annum (tpa); United States (US); United States dollar (USD); volcanogenic massive sulphide (VMS); wet metric tonne (wmt); South African rand (ZAR) and zinc (Zn).

