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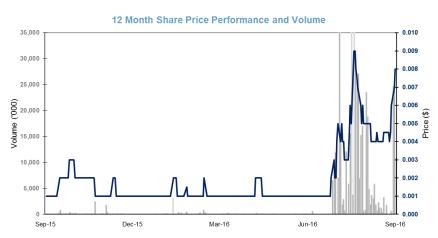


Capital Structure	
Ordinary Shares on Issue	1,475,556,749
Options	Nil
Market Capitalisation (@ \$0.008)	\$11.8m
6 Month Liquidity	\$4.2m
Cash (30/6/2016)	\$0.15m
Debt (P&E Finance and Notes)	\$0.7m

Board and Management	
Professor Ian Plimer	Independent Chairman
Tracey Lake	Managing Director
Matthew Roberts	Non-Executive Director
Neill Arthur	Non-Executive Director

# Major ShareholdersAustralian Metals Group26.7%Victoria Park Investments/Nepean13.9%Directors & Management15.4%Top 2074.6%

### **12 Month Share Price Performance**





### Highly Prospective Projects

- Niuminco is currently focused on its gold projects including highly prospective properties adjacent or close to existing large mines or deposits, including PanAust's +18Moz AuEq Frieda River deposit and Harmony/ Newcrest's Hidden Valley Mine, which produced ~190Koz of AuEq in 2015.
- Niuminco, through its 72.54% shareholding in TNT Mines Limited, controls and manages a suite of advanced exploration assets highly prospective for tin and tungsten in Tasmania, Australia.
- Growing Gold and Silver Production
  - Niuminco owns and operates a gold and silver mine at its Edie Creek project which has significant infrastructure in place.
  - Niuminco is positioning itself to increase throughput of ore through its plant by over 600% from 6.0tpd to over 40tpd. With minimal fixed operating overheads, the increase in plant throughput is expected to significantly increase revenues to the Company, with attractive margins.

### Near-Term Exploration Upside

- Niuminco's gold projects remain highly underexplored.
- Niuminco is currently drill testing at its operating mine, Edie Creek, to delineate a maiden JORC Resource and to test for extensions of known vein and lode systems, as well as bulk tonnage targets.
- Niuminco has completed limited exploration on its May River and Bolobip projects since over \$6.7 million was spent on exploration activities during 2011 2013. Niuminco is now planning to follow up identified targets through two drilling programmes.

# **Operating in World Class Geological Provinces**

### Papua New Guinea

- Edie Creek Mine Producing gold and silver mine
- May River Project Major copper-gold porphyry and epithermal anomalies. Adjacent to +18Moz AuEq Frieda River deposit.
- Bolobip Project 60km east of Ok Tedi. Large drill ready, copper-gold porphyry target.

### Tasmania

 Aberfoyle Project - Advanced brown-field Tin and tungsten project including Royal George, Storey's Creek, Kookaburra, Lutwyche and satellite Great Pyramid deposits.







# **Edie Creek Gold and Silver Mine**



• An operating gold mine with significant infrastructure in place







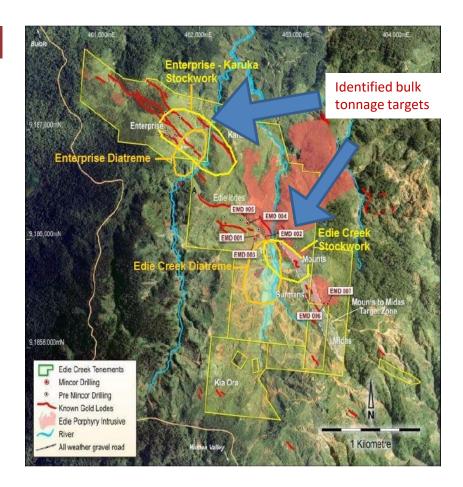


# **Edie Creek**



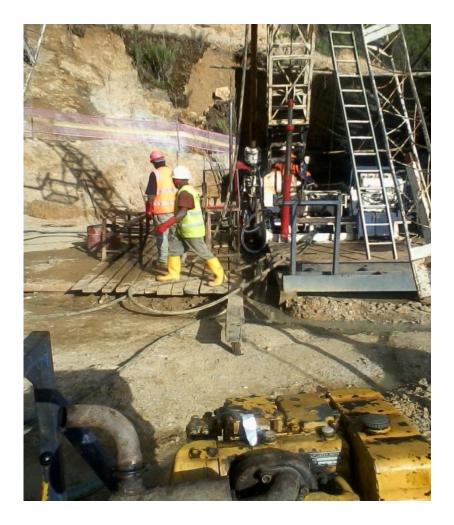
### **Epithermal Gold and Silver Deposit**

- Edie Creek is located in the Morobe Province, approximately 5km from Harmony/ Newcrest's Hidden Valley Mine, which produced ~190Koz of AuEq in 2015.
- Edie Creek is a granted ML covering 3.92km2 including high grade Au-Ag veins.
- Within the ML, Niuminco has developed a 200 person camp, mining/processing infrastructure and maintenance / admin facilities.
- Edie Creek provides high-grade vein mineralisation and lower grade bulk tonnage options with substantial economic potential identified.
- Measured scale-up of pilot mining & processing continuing.



# **Current Drilling Program**





- Niuminco is currently undertaking a shallow (<50m) drilling program (+20 holes) to delineate a maiden JORC Resource at the Enterprise and Karuka vein systems.
- Edie Creek is highly underexplored with only 38 drill holes for 6,118m since drilling commenced in 1988.
- Niuminco is testing for extensions of known vein and lode systems and bulk tonnage targets using their own drill rigs and crew.
- Despite being in operation since 1930's, Edie Creek has never had a Mineral Resource due to the narrow, high grade veins and minimal drilling.

# **FY2016 - Production Review**

- Successful scale-up of mining and gold production capacity at Edie Creek
- FY2016 Production: 689oz Au and 602oz Ag
- Procured key infrastructure to increase production rate:
- Small jaw crusher, and commissioning of 2 t/h ball mill and vibrating screen;
- Gekko in-line spinner processing concentrator plant;
- Orders currently being placed for larger 5t/h ball mill, roller crusher, vibrating feeders and conveyer belts to increase mining rates and processing throughput.
- Commenced drilling at Edie Creek with own rigs and crew.

Niuminco is positioning to increase processing throughput from <u>6.0tpd to +40tpd</u>,



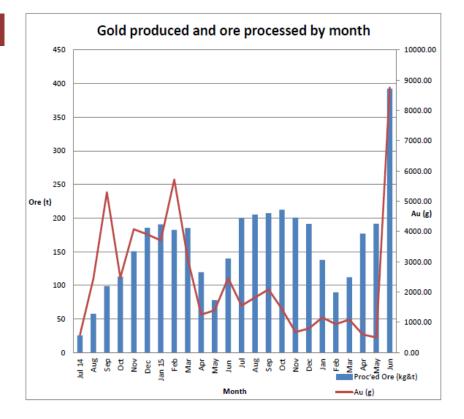






### Successful Scale Up

- Niuminco produced 281oz Au in June (the best months production since recommencing processing in Feb 2014).
- At current gold prices, operating break-even production at Edie Creek is 76oz per month.
- With the successful implementation of critical infrastructure to improve throughput and recoveries, Niuminco is well placed to significantly increase production at relatively low cash costs.





### Significantly Scaling Existing Operations

- Edie Creek was mined at an average rate of 12.2tpd and ore processed at 13.0tpd in June – a significant increase from the previous monthly averages.
- With new infrastructure in place, it is anticipated Edie Creek will scale up to run at +40tpd – a 3.0x increase over June's record production rate.
- Niuminco is well placed to scale existing operations at Edie Creek towards becoming cash flow positive.

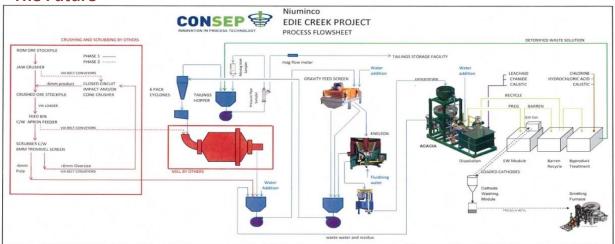
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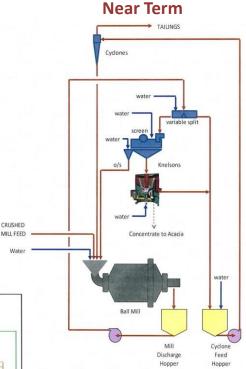
# **Processing Upgrades**

- Current crushing and processing circuit includes:
  - Jaw crusher, vibrating screen, 2t/h ball mill and a Gekko ISP concentrator plant, with new cyclone currently being installed.
- Increased throughput and recoveries planned as a result of installing new infrastructure next quarter:
  - 5t/h ball mill, roller crusher, vibrating feeders, conveyor belts for ~USD\$40,000
- Operating a single 11 hour shift, Niuminco is targeting 40-50tpd of throughput, a significant increase on the current production rate.

### The Future







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# **May River Project**

- Niuminco's May River Project is a large tenement package adjacent to the Frieda River deposit, and is highly prospective for both Porphyry deposits and smaller, high-grade epithermal deposits.
- The Company has an established base camp area that acts as a regional exploration base at Hotmin –An ideal locality in centre of May River Exploration Licence.
- Existing airstrip, and major supplies brought in by low-cost river transport.
- Over \$3.6 million spent by Mincor/Niuminco in 2011-2013.
- Major airborne geophysical survey completed.
- Airborne VTEM and ZTEM, covering North & South May River completed in 2012/2013.



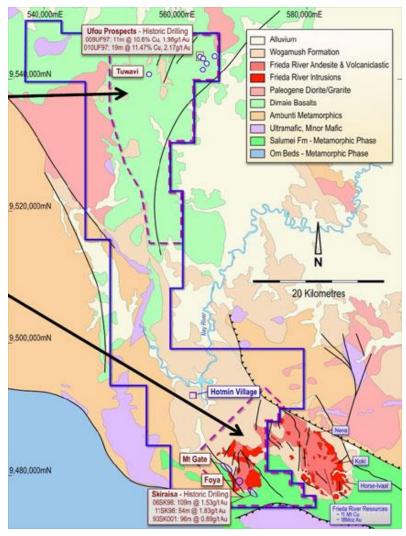


# **Copper / Gold Porphyry and Epithermal**



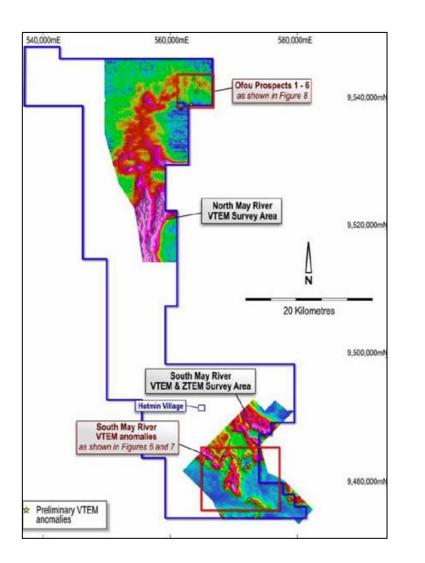
### Adjacent to World-Class Frieda River

- Niuminco's May River Project adjoins the Freida River porphyry deposit, owned by PanAust and Highlands Pacific Limited (ASX:HIG), which has delineated +18Moz AuEq.
- Niuminco has completed significant geophysical exploration programs which has identified walk-up drill targets at South May River.
- May River has historical drilling, with historical highlights of:
  - 06SK98: 109m @ 1.53g/t Au
  - 11SK98: 54m @ 1.83g/t Au
  - 93SK001: 96m @ 0.89g/t Au

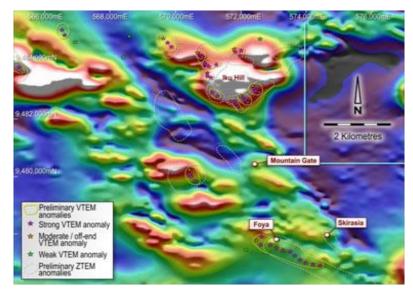


# **May River Work Program**





- Niuminco plan on drilling 3 drill holes at South May River
   immediately adjacent to the Frieda River deposit, in
  2H2016, following up the promising geophysics data and historical drilling results.
- Niuminco's consulting geologist has formed the view that May River shares the same geological structures as Frieda River.



VTEM anomalies over magnetics – South May River

# **Bolobip Project**

- In 2012/13, JV partners Mincor and Niuminco spent over \$3.1 million on exploration of the 320km<sup>2</sup> tenement.
- The JV exploration program centred around the Koum Stock and focused on detailed mapping of geology, alteration and structure along with execution of a heli-magnetic and radiometric program.
- Potential for discovery of economic gold/copper mineralisation is considered significant and an initial 3 hole, 900m diamond drill program is planned.

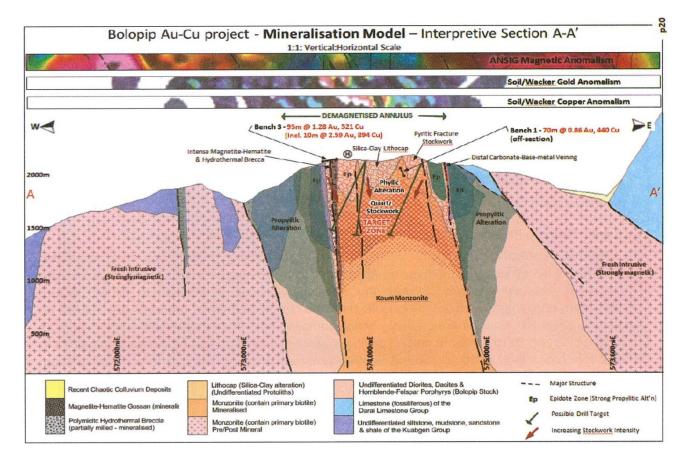
A Major Copper Gold Porphyry Target 60km East of Ok Tedi Mine





# **Bolobip – Drill Targets**





- A multi-phase intrusive complex. 3 drill targets ready to drill.
- Latest data shows coherent 1km diameter copper and gold anomaly.
- Classic geochemical signature of a leached cap above a mineralised copper-gold porphyry system. Extensive surface gold mineralisation in trench channel samples (CRA exploration, 1990s).



Focus to remain on the advanced exploration assets that represent potential near-term development projects:

### The Aberfoyle Tin & Tungsten Project

- Comprising the Aberfoyle/Lutwyche/Kookaburra/Storey's Creek/Royal George and Great Pyramid tin and tungsten deposits.
  - Current JORC 2012 Inferred Mineral Resources for the Royal George and Great Pyramid deposits.
  - Drill targets ready to drill at Aberfoyle/Lutwyche deposits with aim of achieving a JORC Inferred Mineral Resource.

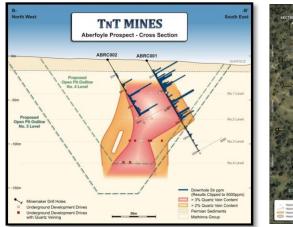
### Niuminco's Tasmanian assets provide exposure to the tin price – which is up 35% CY2016.



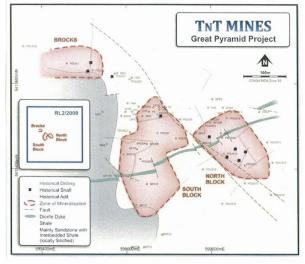


# **Aberfoyle and Great Pyramid**

- Aberfoyle Tin & Tungsten Project represents a near term development opportunity.
- Potential for combined open-cut and underground mine feeding low CAPEX gravity separation plant.
- Royal George JORC 2012 Inferred Mineral Resource of 800,000 tonnes at 0.33% tin for 2,640 tonnes of contained tin.
- Royal George Mine represents a planned development satellite mine to supplement the Aberfoyle deposit.
- Great Pyramid Tin Project has a JORC 2012 inferred Mineral Resource of 5.2m tonnes @ 0.2% Sn for 10,400 tonnes contained tin.
- Shallow, near surface deposit with low stripping ratio.
- Excellent infrastructure and access to site.
- Low CAPEX potential as planned operation can be utilised as a satellite mine to Aberfoyle.









- Continued scale-up of mining & production at EDIE CREEK to achieve a consistent daily processing rate of +40tpd (targeting >200oz per month Au)
- Consistent production at Edie Creek will provide sufficient positive cash flow to allow Niuminco to:
  - Continue low cost exploration and extension drilling at Edie Creek using own rigs and crew.
  - Complete low cost drilling of 3 targets at BOLOBIP using own rig and crew.
  - Confirm drill targets and commence exploration drilling at SOUTH MAY RIVER.

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