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# **Boonanarring Mineral Sands Project**

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#### Introduction



- Established, profitable mining company focused exclusively on mineral sands
- High quality portfolio of 100%-owned projects located in the North Perth Basin in Western Australia
  - 1,000 km<sup>2</sup>; 7 dry mining projects/prospects and 3 dredge mining prospects
- Transitioned from advanced explorer to active mining company in December 2018 through development of the Boonanarring Mineral Sands Project
- Strong project delivery based on experienced team
  - A\$52 million, 6-month construction completed on-time/on-budget
  - Name-plate capacity in 2<sup>nd</sup> month of operation (Jan 19) & steady state operations performing well.
- Very positive inaugural year of operations
  - Strong margins & cashflow from 1st year of Ops:
    - CY2019 Revenue of \$146M
    - CY2019 EBITDA of \$73M



#### **Corporate Video**



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## **Boonanarring Mineral Sands Project**

## Very strong fundamentals

- Excellent location;
  - 80km north of Perth in Western Australia
  - Major players (Iluka and Tronox) operating nearby
- Exceptional deposit;
  - Very high ore grade
  - Zircon-rich
  - Coarse grained minerals
  - High metallurgical recoveries 98% of zircon
  - Market ready products

➤ 100%-owned

8.9%HM 27.5% of HM D50~180 microns 98% of zircon 90% TiO2







#### **Boonanarring Project – Simple Business Model**







## Mining

Classic dry, open-cut mining utilising standard truck and shovel fleet.

#### Processing

3.7Mtpa conventional wet concentrate plant to produce a high-quality HMC.

# Trucking

HMC trucked to Bunbury port.

# Shipping

Bulk shipments to China under life-of-mine off-take contracts based on market prices.



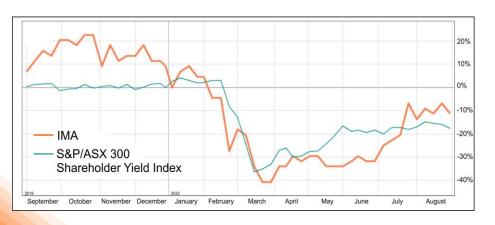


#### **Corporate Snapshot**



# **Diverse and Experienced Board and Management**

ASX Code Share Price 12-Month Price Range Shares on Issue **Market Cap** Cash on hand Debt\*\*\* **Enterprise Value** Top 20 Shareholders: IMA A\$0.205\* A\$0.12-0.30 980m A\$200m\* A\$36m\*\* A\$36m\*\* A\$39m\*\* ~**A\$203m** 70%



#### **Board of Directors**

Bob Besley – Independent Chairman Patrick Mutz – Managing Director Chaodian Chen - Non-Executive Director Aaron Chong Veoy Soo – Non-Executive Dir Peter Thomas – Non-Executive Director Fei (Eddy) Wu – Non-Executive Director Huangcheng Li – Non-Executive Director

#### Key Management

Patrick Mutz – MD & CEO John McEvoy – Chief Financial Officer Todd Colton – Chief Operating Officer George Sakalidis – Head of Exploration

\* - as at 28 Aug 2020

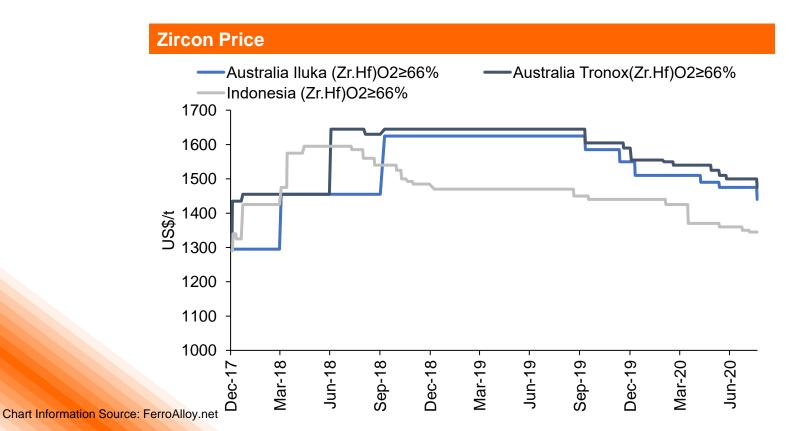
\*\* - as at 30 Jun 2020

\*\*\* - since 30 Jun 2020 debt reduced by ~A\$10M

#### **Mineral Sand Markets – Zircon**



- Chinese zircon demand softened during late 19 & 1H'20 as the COVID-19 pandemic impacted downstream demand and international exports.
- Global supply side disruptions have provided some stability to pricing.
- Chinese domestic zircon stocks now low following a destocking by large Chinese buyers.
- International downstream consumers returning to production after period of lockdown.
- Current zircon prices currently at levels that may jeopardise/delay new project development.
- Prices substantially higher than Image break-even price.

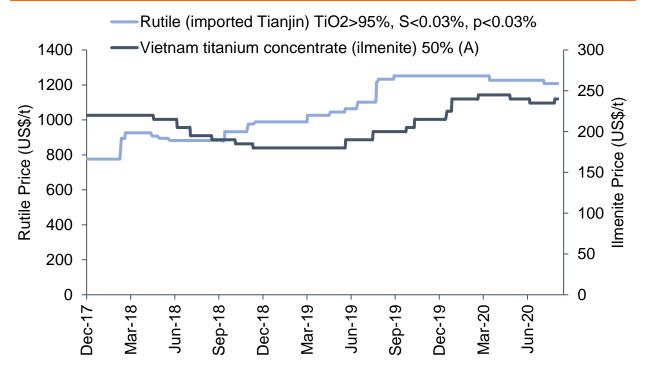


### Mineral Sand Markets – TiO<sub>2</sub>

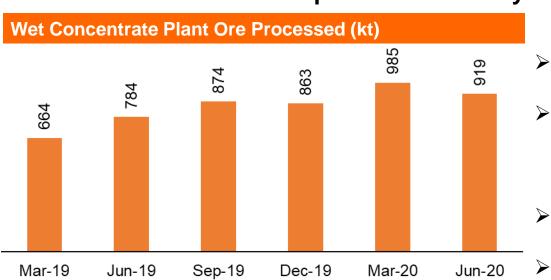


- $\succ$  TiO<sub>2</sub> markets showing strength and stability.
- Ilmenite markets buoyed by limited global supply exacerbated by Chinese domestic mine suspensions and strong operating rates at sulfate pigment plants and relatively low inventory levels
- Rutile markets remain stable in part due to longer dated nature of industry offtake arrangements.
- USD pricing expected to remain relatively stable through Q3 2020 with some moderation expected by year end.

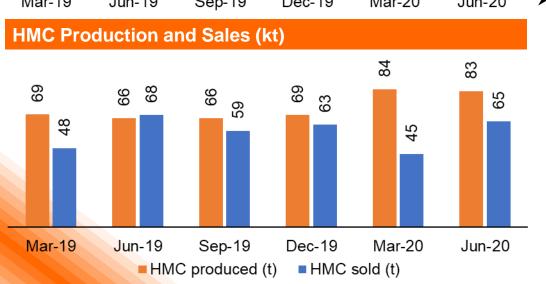
#### **Rutile / Ilmenite Price**



#### **Operational Performance – Track Record**



# Excellent track record of operational delivery





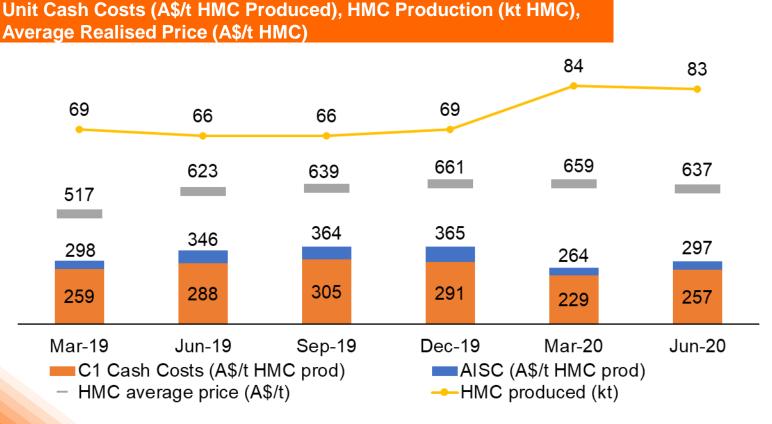
- Project commissioned in Dec-18.
- June Quarter 2020 operational performance broadly in line with record setting March Quarter 2020.
- > CY2020 guidance unchanged.
  - Wet concentrate plant now operating above design following low cost optimisations completed in 2019.

### **Operational Performance – Cost Control**



#### **Demonstrating cost discipline**

Improved operating rates and expected ore grade are supporting high HMC production rates which in conjunction with continued cost discipline are reflected in falling unit costs.





# **HIGH-QUALITY ORE RESERVES**

- ➢ JORC Code (2012) Compliant
- Very High HM ore grade; exceptionally high zircon grade at Boonanarring
- Atlas to be mined in series following Boonanarring

Project/Deposit	Category	Tonnes	% HM	% Slimes	<b>HM</b> Tonnes	VHM	Ilmenite	Leucoxene	Rutile	Zircon
		(million)			(million)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Boonanarring	Proved	3.5	13.9	16.0	0.5	82.7	44	4.6	2.2	31.9
Boonanarring	Probable	7.1	6.4	16.0	0.5	76.6	49	1.7	2.8	23.1
Total Boonanarring		10.7	8.9	16.0	0.9	79.6	46	3.2	2.5	27.5
Atlas	Probable	9.5	8.1	15.5	0.8	73.3	50.7	4.5	7.5	10.6
Total Atlas		9.5	8.1	15.5	0.8	73.3	50.7	4.5	7.5	10.6
Total Ore Reserves		20.2	8.5	15.8	1.7	76.8	48.3	3.8	4.7	19.9

#### **Operational Performance – Guidance & Forecasts**



Item	Units	2019 Results	2020'1H Results	2020 Guidance	2021 Forecast
HMC Produced	DMT 000s	270	167	300-330	300-330
HMC Sold*	DMT 000s	238	109	300-330	300-330
C1 Cash Costs per tonne HMC sold	A\$/DMT	327	330	290-320	260-290
AISC Cash Costs per tonne HMC sold	A\$/DMT	390	381	340-370	315-345
HMC Sales Receipts*	A\$m	145	65	N/A	N/A
Payments to Suppliers / Other	A\$m	(79)	(48)	N/A	N/A
Net Operating Cashflows	A\$m	63	17	N/A	N/A

\* 1H 2020 sales impacted by COVID & shipping delays but shipping rates now improving – target for 2H 2020 of 190-200Kt (refer 27 July announcement for further details). HMC inventory of 114kt at 30 June 2020.

Image has made no change to 2020 guidance following the emergence of COVID-19 at the end if the March Quarter. Following the increasingly volatile economic landscape Image would like to emphasise there are a number of factors outside of its control that may impact downstream demand for its end products and therefore sales guidance. Image is continually reassessing its guidance position and will update the market if required and at a minimum will comment on guidance as part of its quarterly reporting.

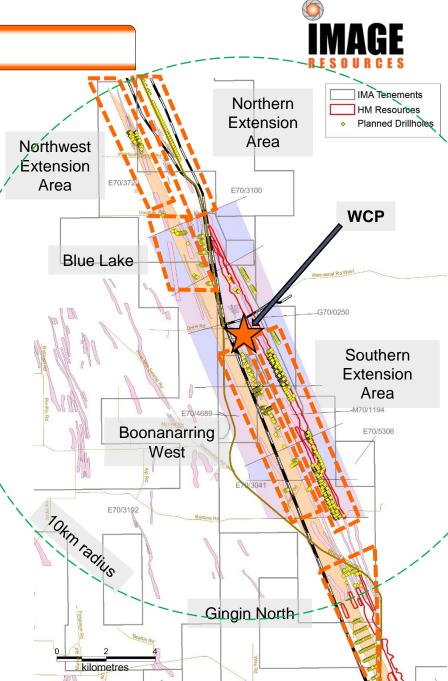


# Exploration Budget expanded with focus on increasing Ore Reserves and mine life

- ➢ Mine-life from Dec 2019 Ore Reserve estimated at 6 years
- Ore Reserves at Boonanarring expandable
  - Drill results indicate potential extension of the deposit to south, north and west
  - Project 'MORE' formalised to focus on adding new Ore Reserves within economic pumping or hauling distance from current processing plant
  - Project 'MORE' goal to add 2 more years of Ore Reserves by end of Dec 2020
- Ore Reserves in Atlas area have potential to double
  - Existing Mineral Resources at 100%-owned Helene and Hyperion deposits deemed to be within economic pumping distance of Atlas

#### Multiple Extension Areas at Boonanarring

- Initially focused on areas within 10km of current location of Boonanarring Wet Concentration Plant (WCP)
- Northern Extension Area (NEA)
  - Previously reported; 2017
  - High grades, high zircon
  - Infrastructure and access challenges
- Southern Extension Area
  - Access available; within current environmental footprint
  - Lower grades than NEA implies lower potential to add mine life
- New 50mRL Strandline
  - Announced December 2019
  - Includes Northwest Extension Area, Blue Lake, Boonanarring West and Gingin North and South
  - Potential of up to 40km of parallel beach strandline west of Boonanarring deposit

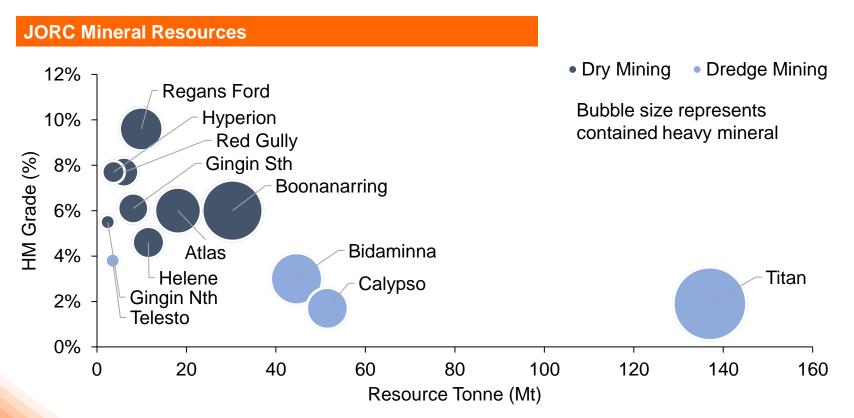


#### **Growth – Our Portfolio**



### **Established resources in the North Perth Basin**

- Dry Mining Mineral Resources of 93Mt; 6.3% HM and 17% Zircon+Rutile in the HM
- Dredge Mining Mineral Resources of 236Mt; 2.1% HM and 11.5% Zircon+Rutile in the HM

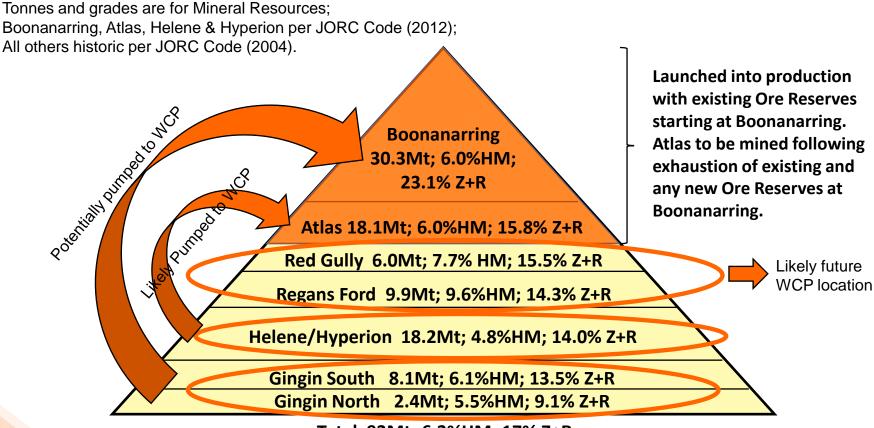


Notes: Boonanarring, Atlas, Helene, Hyperion, Titan-Telesto and Calypso per JORC Code (2012). All others per JORC Code (2004) and have not been updated to comply with JORC Code 2012 on the basis that the information has not materially changed since it was last reported.

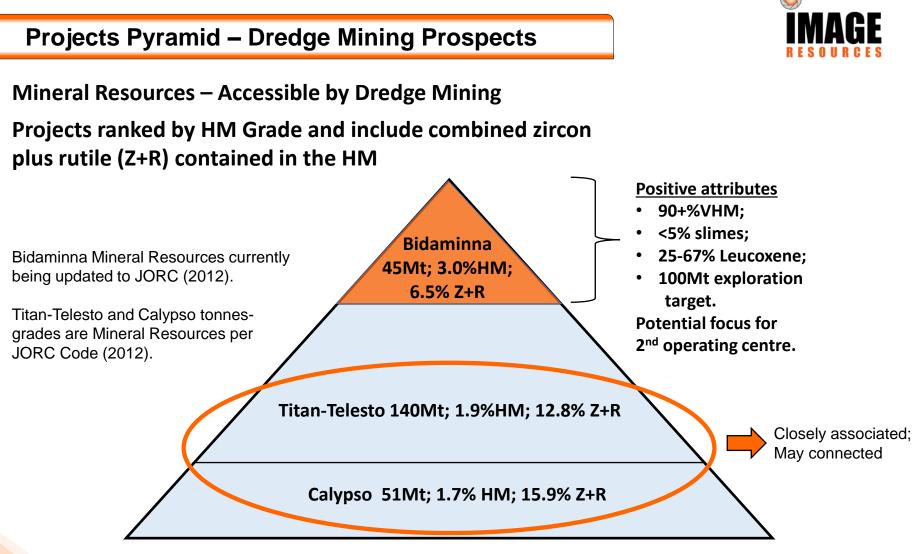
# **Projects Pyramid – Strand Deposits – Dry Mining**



#### Mineral Resources – Accessible by Dry Open-Cut Mining Projects ranked by combined zircon plus rutile (Z+R) contained in the HM



Total 93Mt; 6.3%HM; 17% Z+R



Total 236Mt; 2.1%HM; 11.5% Z+R

#### Solar Farm at Boonanarring



Sunrise Energy Group Pty Ltd constructing 2.3  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{MW}_{\mathsf{AC}}}$  solar farm

- Construction and operation by Sunrise Energy;
- Located on Image owned land adjacent to Boonanarring processing plant
- Plan to provide 25% of electricity requirements for mining/processing operations.



Additional information regarding Heads of Agreement announced to ASX on 23 April 2018.

#### **Community Engagement Program**



Image is proud of its active and varied community support and engagement program including through local employment.

Image proudly contributes to the local community including through local employment.

At 30 Jun 20 48% of its workforce lived locally to the operation or within regional shires.















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#### **Forward Looking Plans**



# Summary

- Continue with profitable operations at Boonanarring; CY2020-2021 expected to be stronger than calendar year 2019
- Increase Ore Reserves under Project 'MORE' at Boonanarring
- Ensure Atlas development / construction ready as next dry mining operation post Boonanarring
- Continue to look to diversify geographical HMC sales base and evaluate value-add options for separation of HMC in Australia
- Advance studies for potential second operating centre
- Consider timing for retirement of debt given strong cash build
- Advance consideration of inaugural dividend payment
- Evaluate opportunities outside of current portfolio

#### For further information



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#### **Mineral Resources**



Project/Deposit	Category		Tonnes	% HM	% Slimes	<b>HM Tonnes</b>	VHM	Ilmenite	Leucoxene	Rutile	Zircor
			(million)			(million)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Boonanarring	Measured		8.8	10.3	14	0.9	78.1	46	3.8	2.3	26.0
Boonanarring	Indicated		14.6	4.6	17	0.7	71.2	48	2.6	2.7	17.9
Boonanarring	Inferred		6.9	3.5	20	0.2	59.4	45	4.9	3.9	5.6
Boonanarring Total		30.3	6.0	17.0	1.8	72.7	46	3.6	2.7	20.4	
Atlas	Measured		9.9	7.9	16.1	0.8	71.0	49.1	4.2	7.2	10.5
Atlas	Indicated		6.4	3.7	17.3	0.2	56.5	41.6	3.4	4.7	6.8
Atlas	Inferred		1.8	4.0	19.9	0.1	41.5	29.0	3.3	4.4	4.8
Atlas Total			18.1	6.0	16.9	1.1	65.9	46.1	4.0	6.5	9.3
Sub-Total Atlas/Boo	onanarring		48.4	6.0	17.0	2.9	70.1	46.1	3.7	4.1	16.2
Mineral Resource	s - Strand Dep	osits; in acc	ordance with	h JORC C	ode (2012	.) @ 2.0% HN	/l Cut-o	ff			
Project/Deposit	Category	Volume	Tonnes	% HM	% Slimes	<b>HM</b> Tonnes	VHM	Ilmenite	Leucoxene	Rutile	Zirco
		(million)	(million)			(million)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Helene	Indicated	6.4	13.2	4.3	18.6	0.57	88.7	74.6	0.0	3.6	10.5
Hyperion	Indicated	2.4	5.0	6.3	19.0	0.32	69.4	55.8	0.0	6.3	7.3
Sub-Total Cooljarlo	o Nth Total	8.8	18.2	4.8	18.7	0.88	81.8	67.9	0.0	4.6	9.4
Mineral Resource	s - Strand Dep	osits; in acc	ordance with	h JORC C	ode (2004	) @ 2.5% HN	/l Cut-o	ff			
Project/Deposit	Category	Volume	Tonnes	% HM	% Slimes	HM Tonnes	VHM	Ilmenite	Leucoxene	Rutile	Zirco
		(million)	(million)			(million)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Gingin Nth	Indicated	0.7	1.3	5.7	15.71	0.08	75.4	57.4	9.3	3.2	5.5
Gingin Nth	Inferred	0.6	1.1	5.2	14.0	0.06	78.4	57.3	11.3	3.7	6.0
Gingin Nth Total		1.3	2.4	5.5	15.0	0.13	76.7	57.3	10.2	3.4	5.7
Gingin Sth	Measured	0.9	1.5	4.4	7.22	0.07	79.4	50.7	15.3	5.6	7.8
Gingin Sth	Indicated	3.2	5.8	6.5	7.1	0.38	90.6	67.6	9.8	5.1	8.1
Gingin Sth	Inferred	0.4	0.7	6.5	8.4	0.05	91.6	67.4	7.5	5.8	10.9
Gingin Sth Total		4.5	8.1	6.1	7.3	0.49	89.2	65.3	10.3	5.2	8.3
Red Gully	Indicated	1.9	3.4	7.8	11.5	0.3	89.7	66.0	8.3	3.1	12.4
Red Gully	Inferred	1.5	2.6	7.5	10.7	0.2	89.0	65.4	8.2	3.0	12.3
Red Gully Total		3.4	6.0	7.7	11.2	0.5	89.4	65.7	8.2	3.1	12.4
Sub-Total Gingin &	Red Gully	9.2	16.5	6.6	9.8	1.08	87.8	64.5	9.4	4.1	9.7
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Mineral Resources	s - Strand dep	osit: in acco	rdance with	JURC CO	de (2004)	@ 2.5% HIVI	CUT-OT				

Project/Deposit	Category	Volume	Tonnes	% HM	% Slimes	HM Tonnes	VHM	Ilmenite	Leucoxene	Rutile	Zircon
		(million)	(million)			(million)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Regans Ford	Indicated	4.5	9.0	9.9	16.8	0.89	94.3	70.0	10.0	4.3	10.0
Regans Ford	Inferred	0.5	0.9	6.5	18.5	0.06	90.5	68.3	7.7	4.4	10.1
Sub-Total Regans Ford Total		5.0	9.9	9.6	17.0	0.95	94.1	69.9	9.9	4.3	10.0
Grand Totals		22.9	93.0	6.3	-	5.8	79.1	56.7	5.2	4.2	13.0

Project/Deposit	Category	Volume	Tonnes	% HM	% Slimes	<b>HM</b> Tonnes	VHM	Ilmenite	Leucoxene	Rutile	Zircon
		(million)	(million)			(million)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Titan	Indicated	10.3	21.2	1.8	22.07	0.38	86.0	71.9	1.5	3.1	9.5
Titan	Inferred	58.5	115.4	1.9	18.9	2.21	85.9	71.8	1.5	3.1	9.5
Total Titan	Total	68.8	136.6	1.9	19.4	2.58	85.9	71.8	1.5	3.1	9.5
Telesto	Indicated	1.7	3.5	3.8	18.41633	0.13	83.3	67.5	0.7	5.6	9.5
Calypso	Inferred	27.1	51.5	1.7	13.7	0.85	85.6	68.1	1.6	5.1	10.8
Mineral Resource	s - Dredge de	oosits; in acc	ordance witl	h JORC (	Code (2004	4) @ 1.0% HI	VI Cut-o	off			
Project/Deposit	Category	Volume	Tonnes	% HM	% Slimes	<b>HM</b> Tonnes	VHM	Ilmenite	Leucoxene	Rutile	Zircon
		(million)	(million)			(million)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Bidaminna	Inferred	26.3	44.6	3.0	3.6	1.34	96.8	83.1	7.2	1.0	5.5
Total Dredge		123.9	236.2	2.1	15.2	4.91	87.8	73.1	2.6	3.2	9.0

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- Boonanarring Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves: 20 December 2019
- Atlas Ore Reserves: 30 May 2017
- Atlas Mineral Resources: 8 May 2017
- Helene Mineral Resources: 31 Oct 2019
- Hyperion Mineral Resources: 31 Oct 2019
- Titan Mineral Resources: 31 Oct 2019
- Telesto South Mineral Resources: 31 Oct 2019
- Calypso Mineral Resources: 31 Oct 2019

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- Gingin North Mineral Resources: 31 Mar 2011
- Gingin South Mineral Resources: 21 Jul 2011
- Red Gully Mineral Resources: 9 Mar 2011
- Bidaminna Mineral Resources: 23 Jun 2008

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