CEEC MINERAL PROCESSING AND INNOVATION WORKSHOP



Taking Grade Engineering from Concept to Production Demonstration



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CRC ORE ESSENTIAL PARTICIPANTS





Separate ore from waste much earlier in the mining process

INTEGRATED EXTRACTION SIMULATOR

Linking individual silos for Whole-of-Mine process simulation

TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT & TRANSFER

For benefit of Australia, our Participants and the Mining Industry



MINERA SAN CRISTOBAL CASE STUDY



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MESO-SCALE SAMPLING FROM ROM MUCKPILES



PRODUCTION TRIAL IN ACTION





PRODUCTION TRIAL RESULTS SUMMARY

- Screened 73,968t of ore
- Mass Splits for Fine/Middling/Coarse are 25%/30%/45% respectively
- Feed NSR was \$10.61 vs Fines NSR of \$28.30 (Upgrade of 2.67)
- Coarse NSR is \$4.99

Attribute	Feed	Upgrade Factor for Fines	Accept Grade / Value of Fines	% Value / Metal Retained
NSR (\$)	10.61	2.67	28.30	66
Zn (%)	0.56	1.94	1.08	48
Pb (%)	0.16	2.16	0.35	54
Ag (g/t)	16	2.25	35.71	56



INTRUSIVE ROCK TO BE MINED (GE PIT AND PHASES)



BULK SENSING PRODUCTION TRIALS



CRCORE with Anglo American to conduct Bulk Ore Sensing and Sorting Trials across multiple commodities

- El Soldado porphyry copper (Chile)
- Mogalakwena layered intrusion PGE (Ni/Cu) (South Africa)
- Barro Alto Ni laterite (Brazil)



BULK ORE SORTING TRIAL EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM



- Experimental Phase 0: Preliminary Testwork and Analysis
- Experimental Phase 1a: Calibration of the Sensors
- Experimental Phase 1b: Proving the Technology
- Experimental Phase 1c: Proving Separation
- Experimental Phase 1d: Minimum Separation Capability
- Experimental Phase 1e: Develop Yield-Response Curves
- Experimental Phase 2a: Demonstrate Production Scale
- Experimental Phase 2b: Campaign through Concentrator



PRODUCTION TRIAL BULK ORE SORTING PLANT LAYOUT





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Sizer, Intermediate Conveyor, Sensors (PGNAA + XRF) and Elevated Conveyor





PRODUCTION SCALE IMPLEMENTATION AND DATA FUSION



THE GRADE ENGINEERING JOURNEY



DATA INTEGRATION AND ANALYSIS



TELFER GE PRODUCTION TRIAL - PROJECT SUMMARY



- Identify and quantify potentially amenable ores to upgrade via screening & particle sorting
- Determine production scale responses via pilot plant
- Develop, supervise and undertake wholistic project design, QAQC, procedures, sampling collection, laboratory methods and sample logistics
- Concept level design and valuation of production scale screening plant integrated to Telfer processing plant



SITE LAYOUT



SAMPLING & PROCESSING

Resource Extraction



Example single sample composite



TELFER – INTEGRATED RESULTS

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NEXT STEPS: INTEGRATION OF GRADE ENGINEERING LEVERS



Industry is now generating datasets to enable multiple GE levers to be investigated and deployed in multiple configurations

Now have the ability to run what if scenarios based on real Grade Engineering data

Enables early evaluation of what is the best options to investigate



Integrated Screening and Particle Sorting



Particle sorting trials commonly have two flaws:

- failure to consider the benefit of grade by size assessment before sorting
- bias can exist in particle sorting testing undertaken by a vendor
- currently there is no independent industry framework for assessing an ISPS flowsheet

The ISPS project will provide a new industry framework for independently assessing an ores amenability to an integrated grade by size and particle sorting flowsheet.

\$1.3M Project across 5 gold and nickel operations around Kalgoorlie



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