

## **Construction Update**

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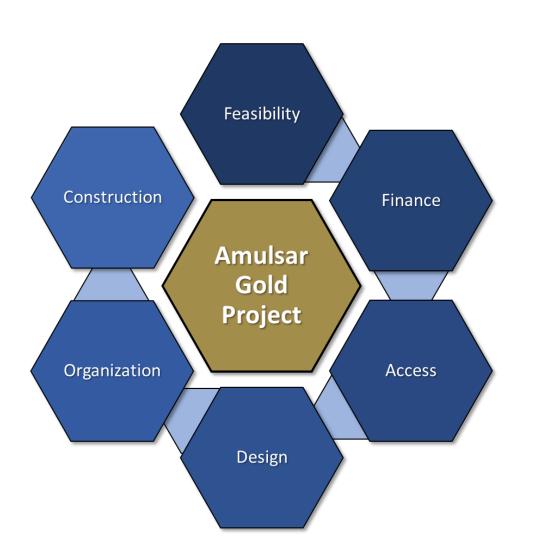
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## **Amulsar Gold Project – Armenia**

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#### Compelling Asset Generating Value Through Construction

- 100%-owned, emerging as a leading gold development project
- Large scale operation to be Armenia's largest gold mine
- Low cost production profile benefiting from:
  - Conventional mining and processing
  - Low waste : ore ratio
  - Excellent gold recoveries
- Financed and permitted to launch construction
- Ramping up to initiate fieldwork
- First gold targeted for Q1 2018



#### **Amulsar Gold Project – Location**

#### Exceptional Access & Regional Infrastructure

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- 170 km southeast of Yerevan
- Located on Armenia's primary infrastructure corridor
  - Paved access to site
  - Local workforce
  - High-voltage power on site
  - Internet connection in place
  - Water on site for construction & operations
- Qualified contractors incountry for most services
- Adjacent to major supply routes from Georgia & Iran
- International air-service in/ out of Yerevan



### **Large Scale Oxide Deposit**



#### *Initial 10-Year Mine Plan from 2.4 Million Oz P+P Reserves*

- Pit design optimized at \$912/oz gold; economic evaluation at \$1,150/oz gold
- Excellent operating profile
  - Waste: Ore ratio at 2.4 including 26 million tonnes of inferred classified as waste
  - Life-of-mine gold recovery estimated at 87% column tests consistently show +90%
- Upside potential from inferred resources and prospective extensions at depth

Amulsar Reserves (0.2 g Gold/t cuffoff)					
	Quantity	Gold	Contained	Silver	Contained
Classification	tonnes	Grate, g/t	Gold, ozs	Grate, g/t	Silver, ozs
Proven Reserves	67,145,900	0.79	1,703,300	3.7	7,940,000
Probable Reserves	29,508,200	0.76	718,200	3.5	3,352,300
Total Proven & Probable	96,654,100	0.78	2,421,500	3.6	11,292,300
Waste	229,084,500				
Recoverable Gold & Silver			2,113,000		702,000

Mineral Resource Statement AMC Consultants (UK) Limited, 29 August 2014					
	Quantity	Gold	Contained	Silver	Contained
Classification	tonnes	Grate, g/t	Gold, ozs	Grate, g/t	Silver, ozs
Measured	77,200,000	0.78	1,930,000	3.6	8,810,000
Indicated	45,100,000	0.76	1,100,000	3.5	5,120,000
Measured and Indicated	122,400,000	0.77	3,030,000	3.5	13,930,000
Total Inferred	106,200,000	0.59	2,010,000	2.6	8,980,000

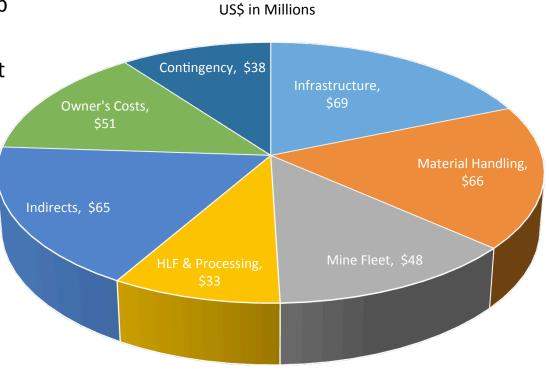
See Slide 22 for applicable notes to reserves and mineral resource statements.

## **Amulsar Feasibility Study**

#### Initial Capital Optimized at \$369.9 Million



- Capital efficiencies achieved
  - Site layout for constructability and operability
  - Crushing plant supported by column leach tests and blast fragmentation study
  - Mine fleet aligned with ramp-up and stage of operations
  - Staged heap leach development
- Greater allowances included
  - Earthworks
  - Construction indirects
  - Owner's costs



## **Amulsar Feasibility Study**

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#### Amulsar Mine Profile and Economics

Operating Profile	Q4 2015 NI 43-101
Initial Mine Life (Years)	10.0
Annual Tonnes Processed	9,700,000
Waste : Ore Ratio	2.4
Gold Grade (g/t)	0.78
Gold Recovery	87.2%
Annual Gold Produced (oz)	211,000
All-in Sustaining Costs (\$/oz)	\$585

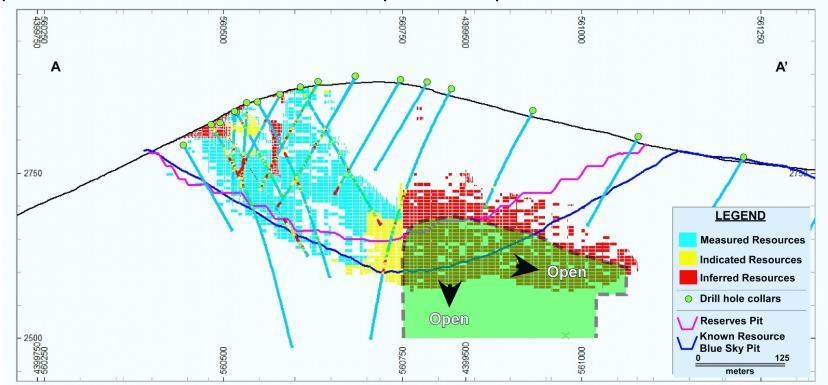
Economic Results (Unleveraged after-tax)	\$1,325 Gold \$19.00 Silver	\$1,150 Gold \$16.00 Silver
Free Cash Flow From Operations (Years 1 – 10)	\$1,197 million	\$949 million
NPV @ 0% Discount	\$825 million	\$577 million
NPV @ 5% Discount	\$515 million	\$338 million
IRR	28.6%	21.6 %

#### **Growth Potential**

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#### Upside within Inferred Resource and at Depth

- Resource Conversion
  - Within current pits: 26 million tonnes at 0.57 g/t inferred.
  - Optimizing to include inferred adds: 40 million tonnes at 0.73 g/t. Mostly limited by drilling density
- Open potential below pit limits (below East-West section of Erato Deposit)
- Update to resource model and mine plan anticipated in 2017

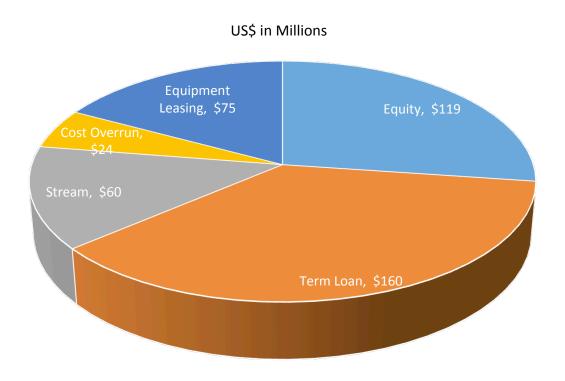


## **Project Financing**

#### Flexible Financing Plan Nearing \$440 Million



- ✓ Equity
  - RCF / Orion: \$ 80 million
  - Public Offering: \$ 29 million
  - EBRD: \$ 10 million
- ✓ Term Loan & COF
  - Orion / RCF \$160 million
  - Libor + 6.5%; 5.5 year term
  - COF @ Libor + 9.5%
- ✓ Stream
  - Orion / RCF \$ 60 million
  - Capped deliveries
- Equipment Leasing
  - Mid-point target \$ 75 million
  - Multiple sourcing through vendor financing, export credit facility and Armenian bank



### Mining, Access & Construction Rights



Strong Support for Amulsar Development at All Levels

- ✓ National Level rights fully approved
  - Mining Right through the Ministry of Energy & Natural Resources
  - Environmental Impact Assessment through the Ministry of Nature Protection
  - Technical Safety Program through the Ministry of Emergency Situations
- Environmental and Social Impact Assessment disclosed by Lydian, EBRD & IFC
- ✓ Land Acquisitions
  - Highly supportive land owners: +99% have sold; balance have agreed to sell and title transfers in process
- ✓ Local community approval converted lands to industrial use
- Local community approval of construction permits in process



## **Amulsar Project Design & Engineering**



Key Engineering Underway; Leveraging 2015 Value

Heap Leach Facility (Samuel)

- Most advanced from Value Engineering
- Detailed engineering +80% complete

Material Handling Systems (Sandvik)

- Vendor engineering reducing timelines
- Basic engineering by early Q4 2016

Major Earthworks (Golder)

- Roads, platforms & site-wide water
- Detailed engineering by early-mid Q4 2016

Power & Control Systems (ABB)

- Main power supply, plant electrical & other
- Basic engineering by early Q4 2016

Buildings (Samuel & Other)

- Pre-fab basic engineering +80% complete
- Construction Accommodations
- Hotel renovation starting
- Camp order in process

## **Organizational Development**



Rapidly Building Core Competencies for Construction

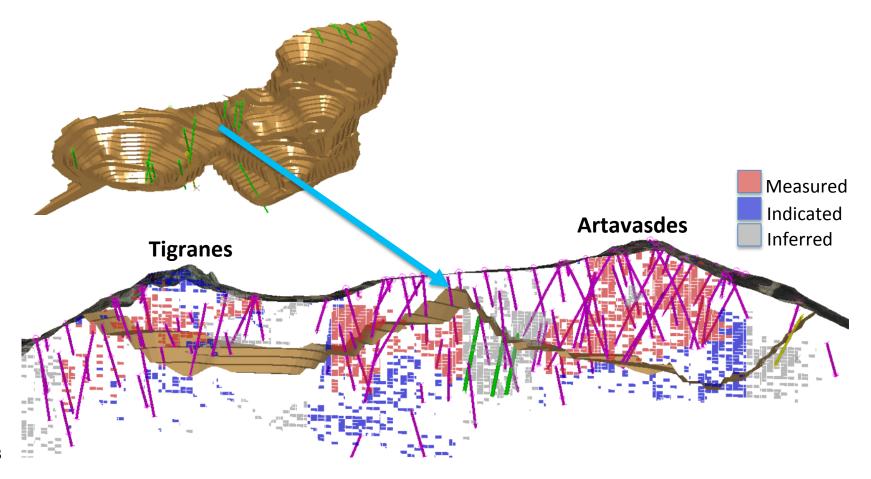
Construction	<ul><li>Construction engineering</li><li>Project controls</li><li>Construction management</li></ul>
Sustainability	<ul> <li>Health &amp; safety</li> <li>Environmental compliance &amp; monitoring</li> <li>Community relations</li> </ul>
Project Support	<ul><li>Human resources</li><li>Procurement</li><li>Logistics</li></ul>
Operations	Mining & technical services     Process engineering
Other	<ul> <li>Government relations</li> <li>IT Systems &amp; internal controls</li> <li>Accounting</li> </ul>

## **Drilling: 2016 Program**

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#### Multiple Objectives Supporting Mine Development & Upside

- Infill Drilling: Convert inferred to indicated, bring down Tigranes/Artavasdes wall
- Grade Control: 20 metre centers for early mine planning
- Geotechnical: Confirmatory in key construction footprints

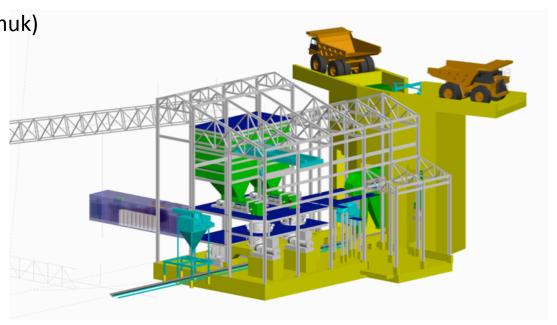


## **Early Works**

#### Clearing Path for Construction Start



- Pipeline diversion from HLF footprint
- Repair community water channel
- Construction accommodations
  - Hotel renovation for accommodations, commissary and Jermuk offices
  - Preparing for temporary camp platform and utilities
- On-site offices platform
- Road construction
  - Upgrade existing roads (from Jermuk)
  - RD-5 (Gndevaz to Site 14)
- Geotech confirmatory drilling
  - HLF, BRSF and various platforms
- Power line relocation
- Construction permits



## Sustainability

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#### Cornerstone of Our Construction & Operating Philosophy

- Amended Environmental Impact Assessment
  - Aligns to 2015 feasibility study
  - All public hearings completed, and approval received in May 2016
- Environmental and social frameworks
  - ESIA amended; held for public consultation; and disclosed by Lydian, EBRD and IFC
  - Environmental and Social Management System in place
- Biodiversity and cultural heritage programs
  - Potentilla porphyantha translocation highly successful
  - Brown bear monitoring ongoing, with positive findings
  - National park evaluation in process
  - Archeological study completed
- Other
  - Community relations programs ongoing
  - Increasing focus on job skills and training
  - Site-wide security survey



## **Comparable Development Stage Companies**



#### Targeting to Re-Rate Central to Construction Strategy

	LYDIAN INTERACTIONAL	BELOSUN	PRETIVM III RESOVECES INC	PREMIER Gold Mines Limited	Roxgold	Torex Gold RESOURCES INC.
Market Cap C\$ (millions)	\$250	\$414	\$2,653	\$792	\$519	\$2,017
P/NAV	0.5x	0.6x	0.9x	0.9x	0.9x	1.1x
Asset Name	Amulsar	Volta Grande	Brucejack	Hardrock	Yaramoko	Morelos
Asset Location	Armenia	Brazil	B.C.	Ontario	Burk. Faso	Mexico
Expected Startup	2018	2018	2017	2020	2016	2016
Average Gold Production	211,000	260,000	404,000	253,000	100,000	369,000
Mine Life	10	17	18	12	7.5	8.5
AISC/oz US\$	\$585	\$779	Na	\$450	\$590	\$616
Initial Capex US\$ (millions)	\$370	\$298	\$641	\$410	\$111	\$800
Funding	Substantially	Partially	Funded	Unfunded	Funded	Funded

Source: Company Filings Prepared by: GMP Securities Note: Priced as of August 10, 2016

## **The Value Proposition**





Path forward for construction to becoming a mid-tier gold producer		
Financed to execute on the construction strategy		
Strong government and community support		
Low all-in sustaining costs		

**Robust** mining project with upside potential



Thank You



## **Lydian International**



Corporate Summary

Trading Symbols	<ul><li>Ordinary Shares:</li><li>Publicly-trading Warrants</li></ul>	LYD LYD.WT <b>TSX</b>
Share Capital	<ul><li>Ordinary Shares</li><li>Publicly-trading Warrants</li><li>Unlisted Warrants</li></ul>	699 million 99 million 5 million
Market Capitalization	Recent price of C\$0.50	C\$349 million
Cash on Hand	<ul> <li>Sourced from:</li> <li>May 2016 public and private offerings</li> <li>August 2016 EBRD private placement</li> </ul>	\$124 million
Leveraged Financing	<ul> <li>Term Loan (arranged)</li> <li>Cost Overrun Facility (arranged)</li> <li>Stream (1<sup>st</sup> deposit received)</li> <li>Stream (2<sup>nd</sup> deposit pending)</li> </ul>	\$160 million \$ 25 million \$ 25 million \$ 35 million
Newmont Royalty	• 3% NSR, but capped at \$20 million	

## **Board of Directors**



#### Development Oriented – Independent, Diverse Experience

Gordon Wylie (Non-executive director & Chair)	<ul> <li>32 yrs mining experience</li> <li>AngloGold-Ashanti Global</li> <li>Exploration manager</li> </ul>
Howard Stevenson (President & CEO)	<ul> <li>25 yrs global mining experience</li> <li>Alacer Gold President &amp; COO</li> <li>Meridian &amp; Gold Fields</li> </ul>
Bill Abel (Non-executive director)	<ul> <li>40 yrs professional mining engineer</li> <li>Global assurance, mining &amp; project management experience</li> </ul>
Steve Altmann (Non-executive director)	MD at Morrison Park     Desjardins Head of Mining     Banking & corporate experience
Gillian Davidson (Non-executive director)	Head of Mining & Metals, World Economic Forum     Global experience in sustainable development
Josh Parrill (Non-executive director)	Resource Capital Funds     Le Farge North America
Tim Read (Non-executive director)	<ul> <li>40 yrs banking &amp; mining experience</li> <li>MD/Co-head Mining &amp; Minerals at Merrill Lynch</li> <li>Adastra CEO</li> </ul>
John Stubbs (Non-executive director)	<ul> <li>40 yrs professional mining experience</li> <li>McKinsey &amp; Co.</li> <li>BHP Billiton</li> </ul>

#### Mineral Reserves & Mineral Resources





#### **Notes to Mineral Reserves:**

- 1. The pit design was based on an optimization shell generated on gold only at a gold price of \$912/oz.
- 2. The economic evaluations were based on a gold price of \$1,150/oz and a silver price of \$16.00/oz.
- 3. A diluted gold cut-off grade of 0.20 g/t was used for processing.
- 4. The effective date of this Mineral Reserve estimate is October 23, 2015.

#### **Notes to Mineral Resources:**

- 1. The effective date of the Mineral Resource Statement is 29 August 2014.
- 2. A cut-off grade of 0.20 g/t gold for this Project based on an optimized open-pit shell based on a gold price of \$1,500 per ounce of gold and assuming an open-pit mining scenario.
- 3. Figures have been rounded to the appropriate level of precision for the reporting of Indicated and Inferred Resources in the upper and lower volcanic units.
- 4. Due to rounding, some columns or rows may not compute exactly as shown.
- 5. Mineral Reserves are reported inclusive of Mineral Resources.
- 6. Mineral Resources in this statement are not Mineral Reserves and do not have demonstrated economic viability. The estimate of Mineral Resources may be materially affected by environmental, permitting, legal, title, taxation, socio-political, marketing, or other relevant issues. Mineral Reserves have been previously reported for this Project using a prior Mineral Resource statement.