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## ASX/TSX ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Company Presentation

Orocobre Limited (ORE:ASX ORL:TSX) (**Orocobre** or the **Company**) wishes to advise that the attached presentation will be used by the Company Chairman James Calaway at the Industrial Minerals 8<sup>th</sup> Lithium Supply & Markets Conference in Las Vegas USA.

**The presentation provides information on:**

- The journey, challenges and time involved in advancing a project from exploration through to commercial production
- Performance and forecast production and cash operating cost
- Price expectations
- Product quality profile
- Expansion timeline

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### **About Orocobre Limited**

Orocobre Limited is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange and Toronto Stock Exchange (ASX:ORE) (TSX:ORL), and is building a substantial Argentinian-based industrial chemicals and minerals company through the construction and operation of its portfolio of lithium, potash and boron projects and facilities in the Puna region of northern Argentina. The Company has built, in partnership with Toyota Tsusho Corporation and JEMSE, the first large-scale, greenfield brine based lithium project in approximately 20 years at the Salar de Olaroz with planned production of 17,500 tonnes per annum of low-cost battery grade lithium carbonate.

The Olaroz Lithium Facility has a low environmental footprint because of the following aspects of the process:

- The process is designed to have a high processing recovery of lithium. With its low unit costs, the process will result in low cut-off grades, which will maximise resource recovery.
- The process route is designed with a zero liquid discharge design. All waste products are stored in permanent impoundments (the lined evaporation ponds). At the end of the project life the ponds will be capped and returned to a similar profile following soil placement and planting of original vegetation types.
- Brine is extracted from wells with minimum impact on freshwater resources outside the salar. Because the lithium is in sedimentary aquifers with relatively low permeability, drawdowns are limited to the salar itself. This is different from halite hosted deposits such as Salar de Atacama, Salar de Hombre Muerto and Salar de Rincon where the halite bodies have very high near surface permeability and the drawdown cones can impact on water resources around the Salar affecting the local environment.
- Energy used to concentrate the lithium in the brine is solar energy. The carbon footprint is lower than other processes.
- The technology developed has a very low maximum fresh water consumption of <20 l/s, which is low by industry standards.
- Sales de Jujuy S.A. is also committed to the ten principles of the sustainable development framework as developed by The International Council on Mining and Metals. The company has an active and well-funded “Shared Value” program aimed at the long term development of the local people.

The Company continues to follow the community and shared value policy to successfully work with suppliers and the employment bureau to focus on the hiring of local people from the communities of Olaroz, Huancar, Puesto Sey, Pastos Chicos, Catua, Susques, Jama, El Toro, Coranzulí, San Juan and Abrapampa. The project implementation is through EPCM (Engineering, Procurement and Construction Management) with a high proportion of local involvement through construction and supply contracts and local employment. The community and shared value policy continues to be a key success factor, training local people under the supervision of high quality experienced professionals.

**The Company also wholly-owns Borax Argentina, an important regional borate producer.**

**For further information, please visit [www.orocobre.com](http://www.orocobre.com)**

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mineral resources at the Company's projects, the viability, recoverability and processing of such resources, timing of future exploration at the Company's projects, timing and receipt of approvals, consents and permits under applicable legislation, trends in Argentina relating to the role of government in the economy (and particularly its role and participation in mining projects), adequacy of financial resources, forecasts relating to the lithium, boron and potash markets, potential operating synergies between the Salinas Grandes and Cauchari projects and the Olaroz project, the potential processing of brines from the Cauchari Project and the incremental capital cost of such processing, expansion, growth and optimisation of Borax Argentina's operations, the integration of Borax Argentina's operations with those of Orocobre and any synergies relating thereto and other matters related to the development of the Company's projects and the timing of the foregoing matters.

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consultants (including the size and grade of such resources) are incorrect in any material respect; the inability to efficiently integrate the operations of Borax Argentina with those of Orocobre; as well as those factors disclosed in the Company's Annual Report for the year ended June 30, 2015 filed at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

Forward-looking information is based on a number of assumptions and estimates that, while considered reasonable by the Company, may prove to be incorrect. Assumptions have been made regarding, among other things: the Company's ability to carry on its exploration and development activities at its projects and to continue production at Borax Argentina's properties, the timely receipt of required approvals, the prices of lithium, potash and boron, the ability of the Company to operate in a safe, efficient and effective manner and the ability of the Company to obtain financing as and when required and on reasonable terms. Readers are cautioned that the foregoing list is not exhaustive of all factors and assumptions which may have been used. Although the Company has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking information, there may be other factors that cause results not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. There can be no assurance that such information will prove to be accurate, as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such information. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking information. The Company does not undertake to update any forward-looking information, except in accordance with applicable securities laws.

# OLAROZ

## THE JOURNEY



March 2009:  
Initial  
Resource and  
Scoping Study.

March 2008:  
Exploration  
begins.



Jan 2010: JV  
with Toyota  
announced.



Nov 2012:  
Construction  
begins.

May 2011:  
Olaroz DFS  
Completed.

Jun 2012:  
Government  
Approval  
obtained.

Aug 2013:  
First Brine  
pumping.



April 2015: First  
Commercial  
Dispatch.

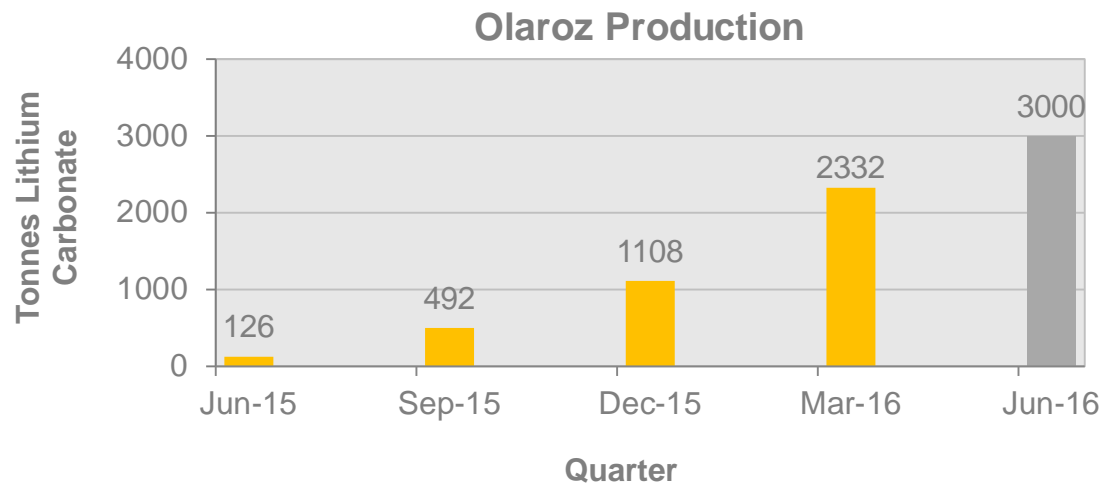


# OROCOBRE PERFORMANCE & FORECAST

## KEY INDICATORS

Lithium carbonate production is on track to meet nameplate production run rate by Sept 2016.

April production exceeded 1,000 tonnes and June Quarter production is forecast to be 3,000 tonnes.



Forecast operating costs to be achieved through increased production rates, improved reagent consumption & optimized process controls.

Measure	Guidance
Current Operating Cash Costs	~US\$3,500/tonne
Forecast Operating Cash Costs (FY18)	<US\$2,500/tonne
Anticipated price level for Q3 2016 FOB basis net of logistics and commissions	>US\$10,000/tonne



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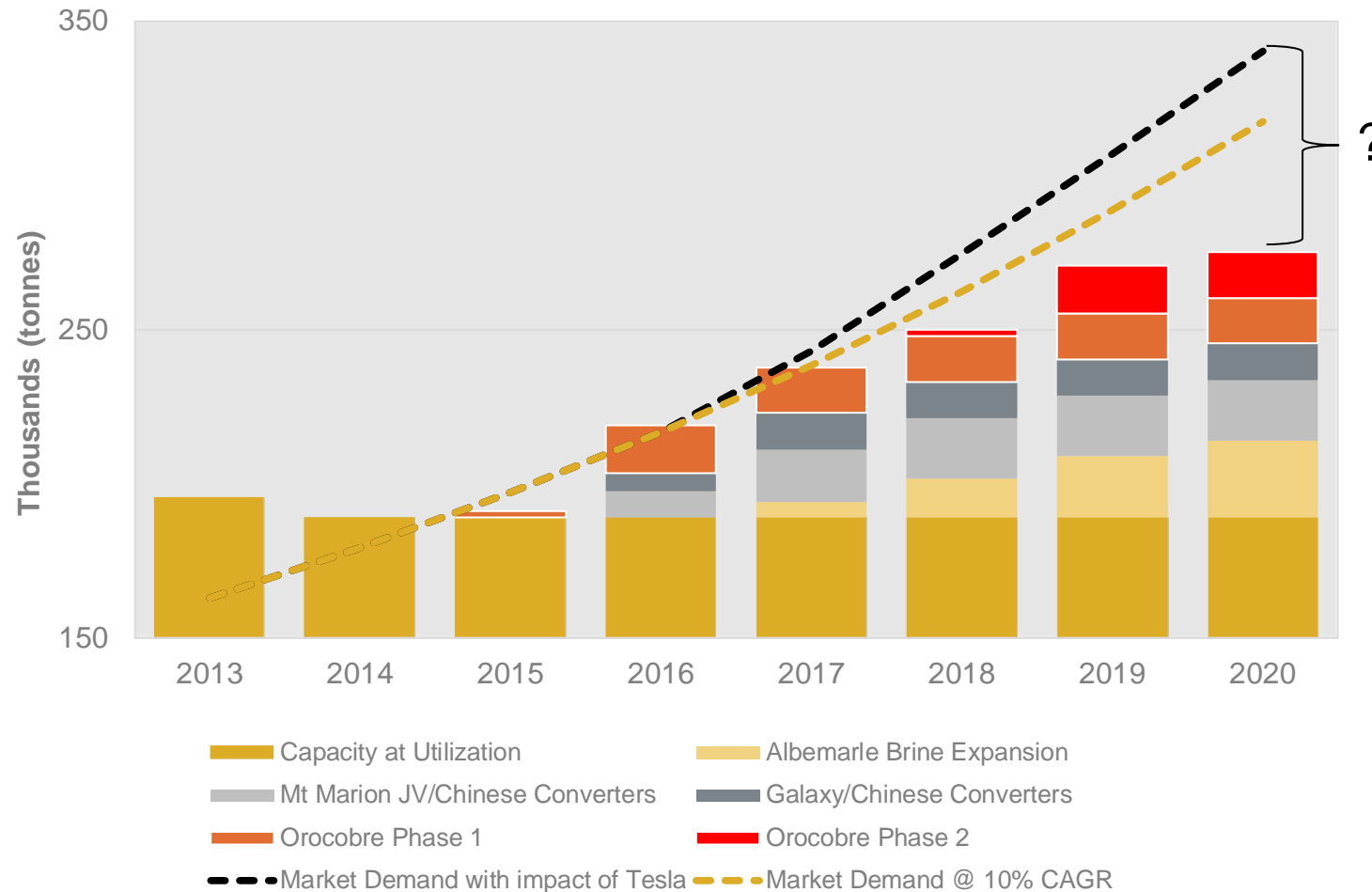
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# OROCOBRE MARKET VIEW

## TIGHT MARKET CONDITIONS.....



Strong market fundamentals, driven by growth in both the high growth battery market and other traditional markets.

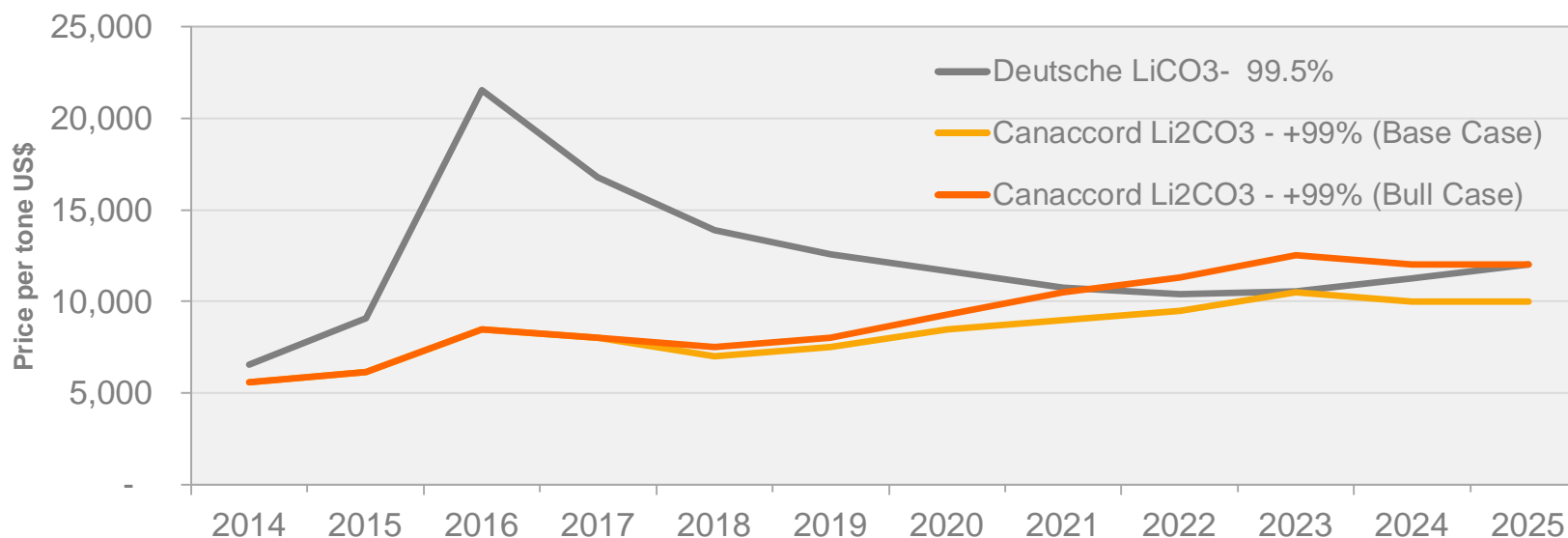
Olaroz production can expand in line with market growth.



# OROCOBRE MARKET VIEW

## LEADS TO STRONG PRICING

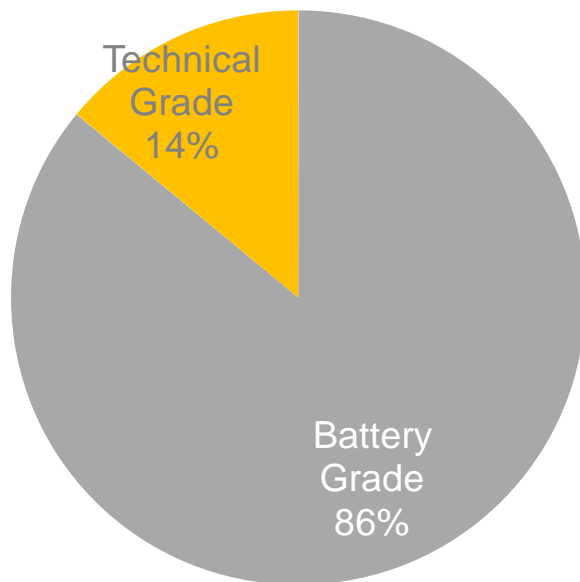
Average Q3 pricing is expected to be >US\$10,000 per tonne FOB net of commissions and logistics cost, an increase on the Q2 price guidance of >US\$7,500.



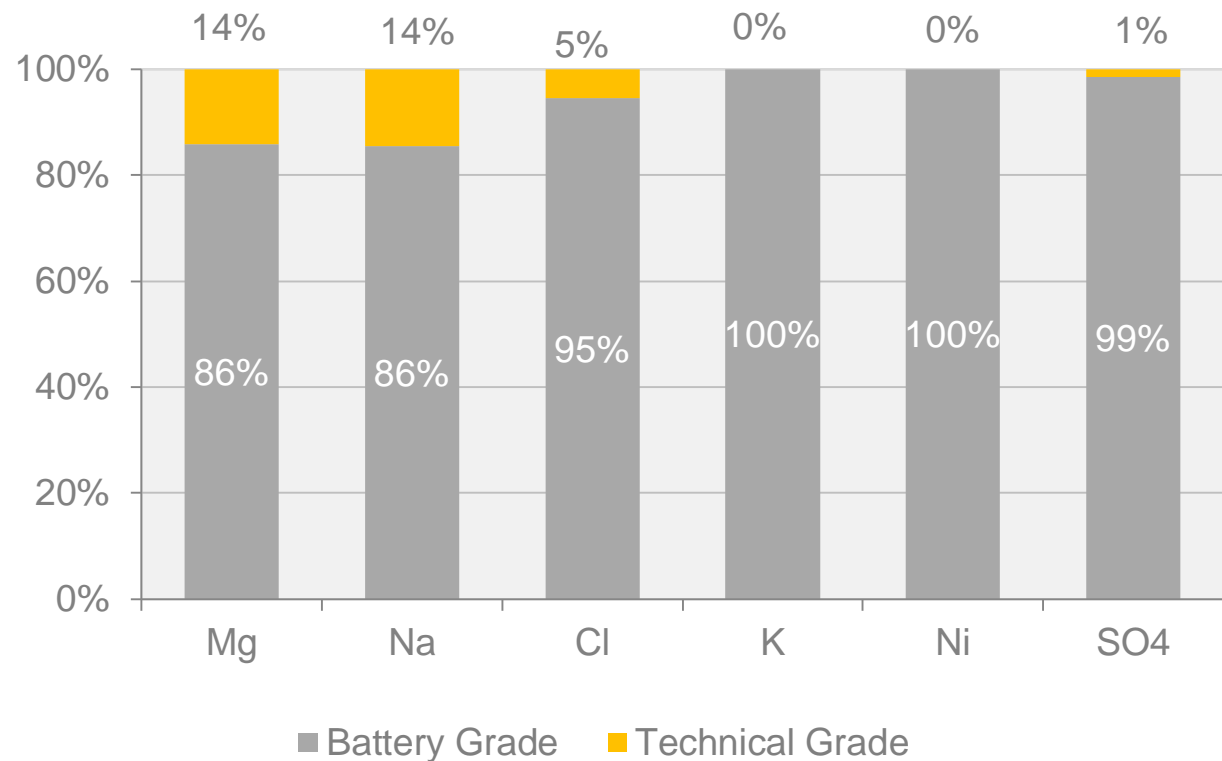
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Deutsche LiCO3 - 99.5%	6,577	9,081	21,509	16,748	13,908	12,548	11,675	10,773	10,388	10,544	11,265	12,000
Canaccord Li2CO3 - +99% (Base Case)	5,569	6,160	8,500	8,000	7,000	7,500	8,500	9,000	9,500	10,500	10,000	10,000
Canaccord Li2CO3 - +99% (Bull Case)	5,569	6,160	8,500	8,000	7,500	8,000	9,300	10,500	11,300	12,500	12,000	12,000

Battery Grade & Technical Grade (min spec >99.5%, typical spec 99.9%)

10-16 May 2016 Product Quality Results



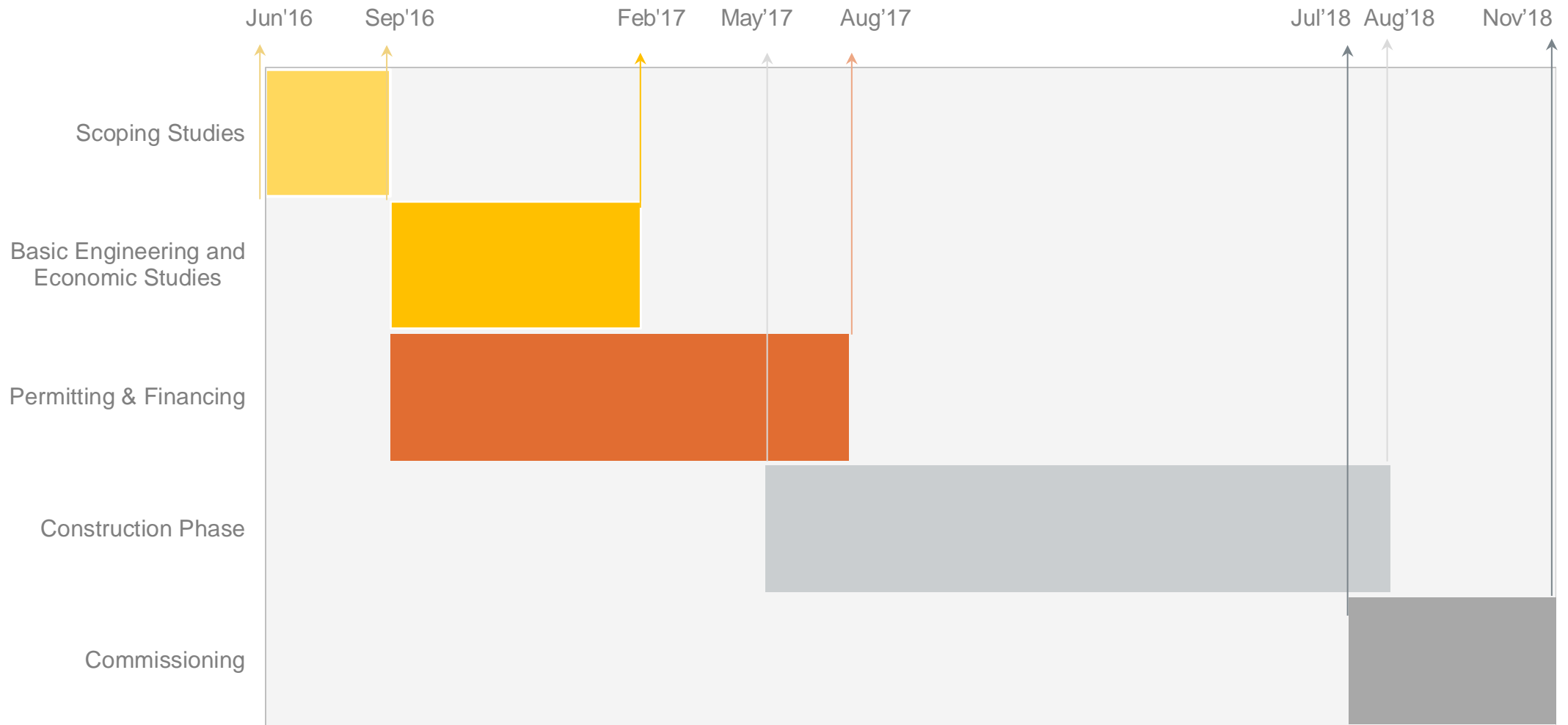
Product Quality by Chemical Element



# OLAROZ

## EXPANSION STAGE 2 OF 17,500TPA – TIMELINE

### Olaroz Project Expansion Timeline





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