# THETA GOLD MINES LIMITED

## **Investors Presentation**

**5 Year Production Plan and Optimised Starter-pits** 



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#### COMPETENT PERSONS STATEMENT

The information in this report relating to mineral resources and ore reserves is based on, and fairly reflects, the information and supporting documentation compiled by Mr Uwe Engelmann (BSc (Zoo. & Bot.), BSc Hons (Geol.), Pr.Sci.Nat. No. 400058/08, MGSSA), a director of Minxcon (Pty) Ltd and a member of the South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions and Mr Daan Van Heerden (B Eng (Min.), MCom (Bus. Admin.), MMC, Pr.Eng. No. 20050318, FSAIMM, AMMSA), a director of Minxcon (Pty) Ltd and a member of the Engineering Council of South Africa respectively.

The original reports titled "Theta Gold Increases Mineral Resource to over 6Moz" and "Positive Feasibility Study for Theta Project" dated 16 May 2019 and "Optimised Mine Schedule for Theta Open Pit Starter Project Delivers Significant Improvements" dated 20 April 2020 were released to the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) on those dates. The Company confirms that:

- it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the ASX announcements; and
- all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the ASX announcements continue to apply and have not materially changed.

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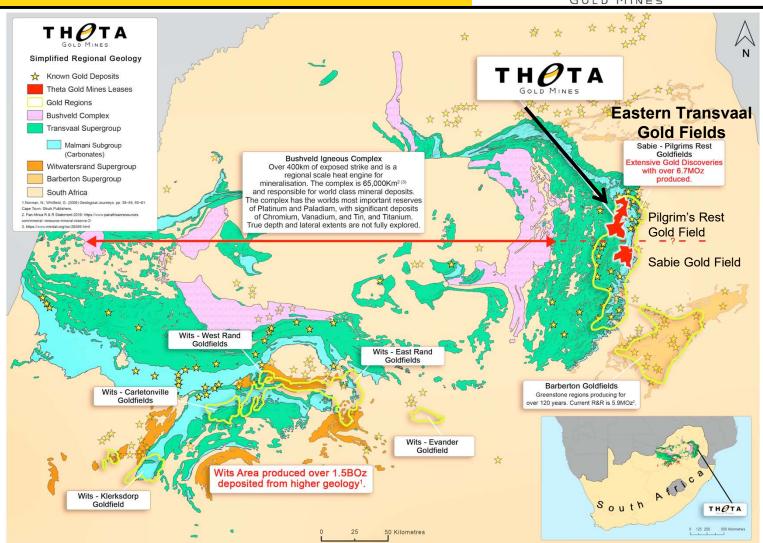
This announcement was authorised for release by Mr Bill Guy, Chairman.

## **The System**



# South Africa – Home of Mineral Wealth

- Over 2 Billion oz of gold produced from Witwatersrand, approximately 40-50% of World's gold production combined.
- ❖ Bushveld Complex is the largest igneous intrusion on earth:
  - ✓ World's most significant producer of Platinum and Palladium.
  - ✓ Bushveld Complex hosts approximately 80% of World's PGM-bearing ore (Source: Minerals Council South Africa)
- The mining industry exported R312 billion (~USD23 billion) worth of commodities (Diamonds, coal, iron ore, chrome base metals) (Source: Minerals Council South Africa 2018)



## **A Large Mining Asset Portfolio**

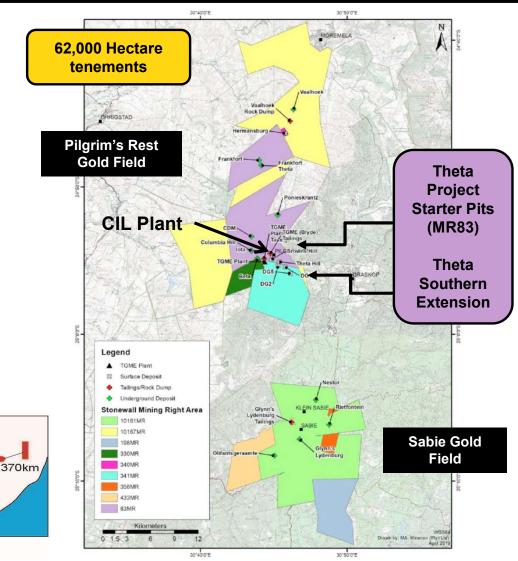


# Group JORC Resources of 6Moz Au (44.8Mt @ 4.18g/t Au):

- ❖ 1.3 Moz open cut resources (13.08Mt @ 3.12g/t Au).
- ❖ 4.5 Moz underground resources (26.3Mt @ 5.4g/t Au).
- ❖ Initial Ore Reserves declared for the Theta Project Starter-pits (within MR83 only) in May 2019: 205Koz (2.3Mt @ 2.76g/t Au)
- ❖ Nine (9) Mining Rights (some are undergoing the granting process from Prospecting Rights conversion underway since 2019).
- The Gold Field has produced >6.7Moz of gold historically since late 1870s, No.1 gold discovery in South Africa before the Witwatersrand

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## **Corporate Overview / Board of Directors**



- ❖ Theta Gold Mines controls its own gold field The Eastern Transvaal Gold Fields
- **❖ Current global JORC Resources 6 Million Ounces**
- **❖** Board/Management built 16 mining operations combined.

#### Bill Guy - Chairman

- Ex-Jupiter Mines Ltd (ASX: JMS) Chief Exploration Manager. (Jupiter was/is controlled by London based Pallinghurst Group, Chairman Mr. Brian Gilbertson was former Chairman/CEO BHP Billiton)
- >25yrs exploration & resource development experience.
- >17 years listed mining executive.

#### **Rob Thomson - Managing Director**

- >35 years Mining Engineer,
- Development/Operations as CEO/MD/Project Manager in 8 significant gold and base metal projects including CEO at Climax's Didipio, GM at Oxiana's Sepon and Kingsgate's Chatree gold/copper mines.

#### Finn Behnken - Non-Executive Director

- Former CEO of Tshipi é Ntle Manganese Mining (Pty) Limited (currently 49% owned by Jupiter Mines Ltd).
- A Mining Engineer and Investment Banker by profession,
- Previously worked for Nedbank and currently with Auramet responsible for all African Continent gold purchases

#### Richie Yang - Non-Executive Director

- Former ED of Bligh Resources Ltd (ASX: BGH) recently taken-over by Saracens (ASX: SAR).
- >15 years experience in mining financing & executive positions and currently MD of Vs Capital (Sydney based family office)

#### **Brett Tang - Non-Executive Director**

- Former fund manager at Tasman Funds with > 15 years of gold/base metal experience.
- A significant investor in TGM indirectly holds >7% equity.

#### Simon Liu - Non-Executive Director

• Fund manager previously a co-founder of Hanhong PE (Beijing based) with significant exposure to gold and oil & gas projects globally.

## **Company Snapshot**

~437m

Ordinary Shares

Dual-listed on ASX: TGM, TGMO | OTCQB: TGMGF

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31.4m

Listed options (ASX: TGMO), expiration Oct 2020, A\$ 0.30 exercise price

26.2m

Unlisted options and management performance rights

~A\$92m (Eqv. ~US\$58m)

Market capitalisation
(April 17<sup>th</sup> 2020, undiluted)

74%

Top 10 shareholding

10%

**Directors & management** 

# **Project Company Board of Directors**



### **Transvaal Gold Mining Estates Ltd (TGME)**



Bill Guy
Chairman
Chairman - Theta Board
(Ex-Jupiter Mines)



Rob Thomson

Managing Director

Project Delivery

Director - Theta Board

(Ex-Climax Resources)



George Jenkins
CEO
Permitting/Operations /Plant
Extraction Metallurgist
(Ex-Vale operations)



Terrence Mokale

Director

Government & Community
Affairs

Lawyer & Government
Consultant

(Clients incl. Glencore,
Sibanye in South Africa)



Hanlie Grobler
Director
Accounting/Finance
Accountant
(Ex-Kraft Foods RSA)



Natasha ThomasKasangana
Director
Legal/Commercial
Lawyer
(Ex-Tshipi - Jupiter Mines)

## Favourable Macro/Micro-economics for Theta Gold







- Rand (ZAR) denominated gold price (per ounce) continuously breaking above historic highs.
- ❖ AUD/USD exchange rate below 10-year lows.
- ❖ ZAR/AUD exchange rate trading relatively flat between ~9 11.5 since 2013.

### **Key Takeaways (Micro):**

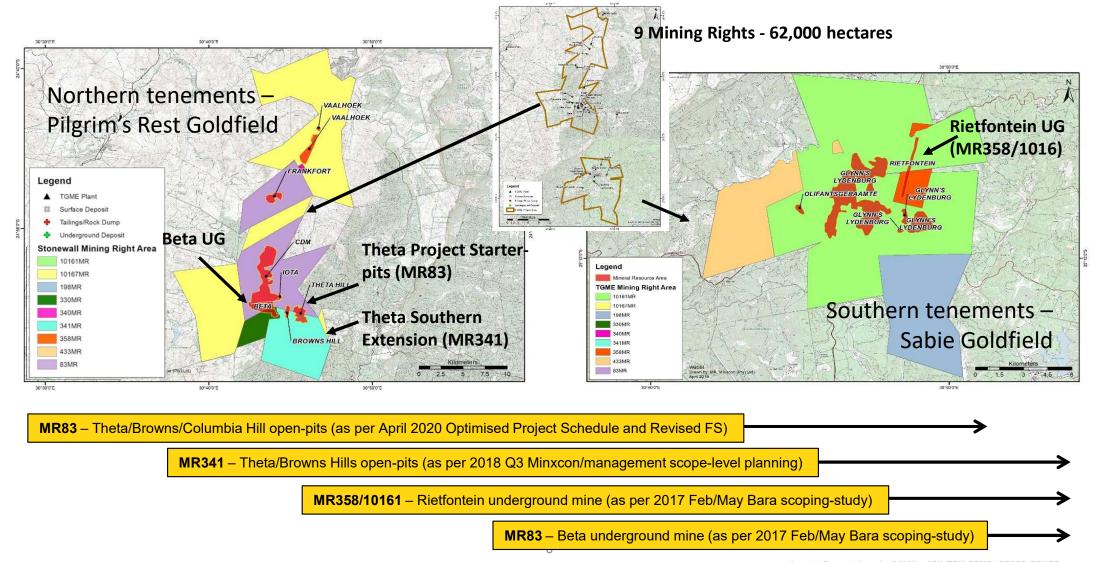
- Pre-production, Theta raises equity in AUD or potential debt in USD, to be converted into ZAR to deploy; and
- During-production:
  - cost of production in ZAR; and
  - Theta's choice to receive Rand or USD upon delivery of gold (mine-gate).





## Roadmap for initial 5 years – 4 mines into production





## Theta Project Starter-pits (MR83) Optimised



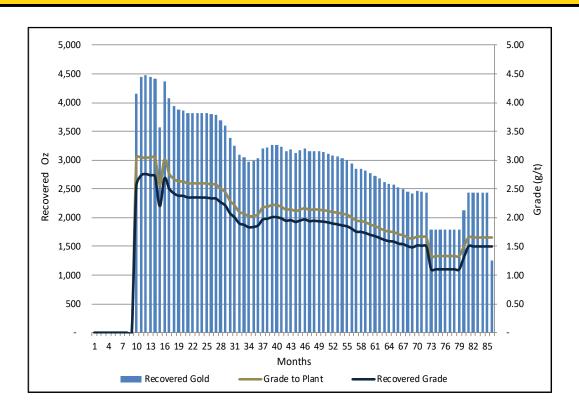
Major changes since Feasibility Study (May 2019):

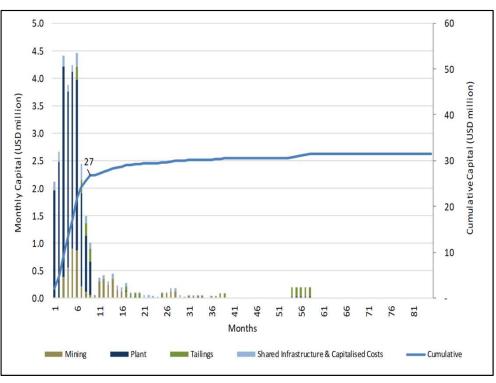
- ❖ Increased annual throughput from 500Ktpa to 600Ktpa, mine life from 5 to 6.5 years (decision made due to the recent purchase of Ball Mill capable of processing up to 1.2Mtpa)
- ❖ Mining schedule amended to begin mining from Columbia Hill (lota), pits design optimised
- Mining schedule amended due to adjusted ore sources within MR83 boundaries; multiple historic dumps added as bonus pay-dirt

Real Discount Rate	Unit	Lower Case US\$1369	Base Case US\$1500/oz	Stretch Case US\$1600/oz	Feasibility
NPV @ 5%	USDm	61	85	104	50
Internal Rate of Return (IRR)	%	92.7%	123.0%	157.2%	65.1%
Total ounces in Mine plan	OZ	259,607	259,607	259,607	219,425
Total Oz Recovered	oz	234,063	234,063	234,063	200,905
Average Payback Period (From Start of Production)	Month	9	8	6	14
Peak Funding Requirement	USDm	28	26.7	25.1	29.2
All-in-Sustaining Cost (AISC)	USD/oz	911	855	822	760
Return on investment	USDm	206%	350%	476%	182%
EBITDA over LOM (Undiscounted)	USDm	108.5	150.2	181.4	99.6
Gold Price	USD/oz	1,369	1,500	1,600	1,257
Exchange Rate	ZAR/USD	14.64	16.00	17.00	14.01

# Theta Project Starter-pits (MR83) Optimised







Optimised Study Monthly Gold Production (oz)

- ❖ First 2 years of ore grade to plant over 2.5 g/t
- Only 9 months from start construction to first gold pour.

### Monthly Capital Schedule

- Total Capital Cost US\$31.4m
- Low upfront capital required: peak funding US\$26.7m

## Production from 4 mines with shared infrastructure



#### Theta Starter open-pits (MR83) FS Optimised

- Recover 234.06Koz Au over 6.5 years (600Ktpa production)
- At US\$1500/oz Au price the Starter-pits expected to deliver >US\$150m EBITDA with AISC US\$855/oz
- Peak Funding Requirement USD\$27m

### Theta extended open-pits (MR341

- Currently approximately 500Koz open-pit resources to be converted into Ore Reserves through in-fill drilling
  - Indicated Resources drilling cost expected to be ~US\$12/oz
  - •Shared infrastructure with Theta Project Starter-pits (MR83)
  - Low CapEx expected due to limited spending required on plant expansion (TBA)

# Approved TGME CIL Plant & TSF in place. 4 high quality near-surface mines (>2.75Moz) expected to be in production within first 5 years targeting >160Kozpa. Building and growing Shareholders' Value while managing risk!

### Rietfontein shallow underground mine (MR358/10161)

- •780Koz @ 8.5g/t JORC Resources
- Scoping Study completed May 2017 (further study planned in 2020)
- Production targeting >40Kozpa
- Underground access in progress preparing for drilling/sampling (since Jan 2020)
- Processing via existing TGME plant site

#### Beta shallow underground mine (MR83)

•1.1Moz @ 6g/t JORC Resources

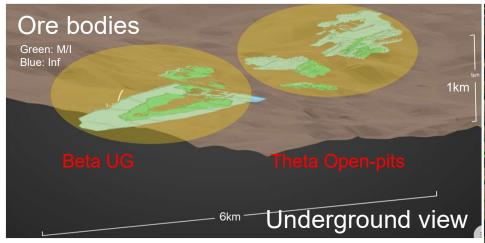
Scoping Study completed May 2017 (to be revised)

Production targeting >40Kozpa

Shared infrastructure with Theta starter pits (<1km from existing)</li>

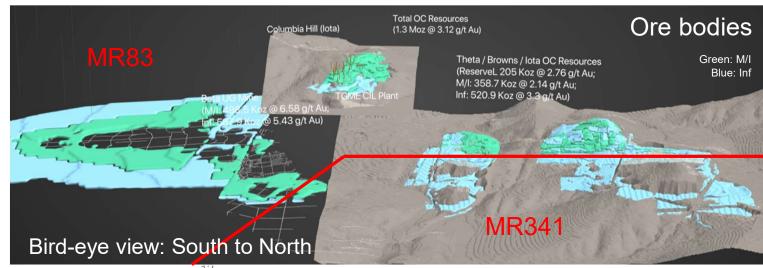
## **Theta Open-pits 3D Visual**





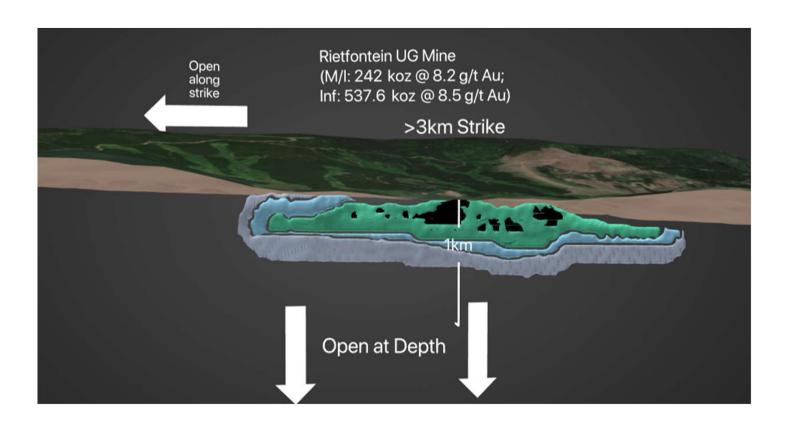


- Theta Starter Open-pits Project sits within **MR83** 
  - Current completed FS includes three pits: Columbia Hill (lota) + Theta Hill North + Browns Hill North
- Theta Open-pits Southern Extension sits within MR341
  - o Formed by Theta Hill South and **Browns Hill South**
- Combined Theta Resources 879.6Koz @ 2.70g/t (I/Inf)



## **Rietfontein Underground Mine 3D Visual**





- ❖ Rietfontein underground Mineral Resource - 2.88 Mt at 8.42g/t Au (for 0.8Moz)¹, 31% indicated
- Rietfontein located 40km from processing plant
- Open at depth and along strike
- Underground access into Level 4 began February 2020, planning for resource sampling/drilling initiate targeting for initial reserve for initial mine planning

## **ASX Peer #1 – Ramelius Resources Ltd (ASX: RMS)**



# A 2-mining centers, multiple-mines operator:

- 2 Plants in Western Australia processing from over 5 mines (underground + openpits)
- Production growth over past 5 years through both M&As and production ramp up
- ❖ Annual Production: ~196.7Kozpa (2019 FY)
- Market Capitalization (April 9<sup>th</sup> 2020): ~A\$800m (~US\$510m)



**Share Price** 5-7 years, 700% - 2000% increase 0.500 0.375 2021 **RAMELIUS – 5 YEAR PRODUCTION PROFILE** 225,000 100 (M&A growth -200,000 80 175,000 78kozpa ramp up to 70 150,000 ~200kozpa) 60 125,000 50 50 100.000 36 75,000 50,000 17

**FY17** 

Map (left) & Figure (right) source: Ramelius 2019 September Denver Presentation

FY16

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25,000

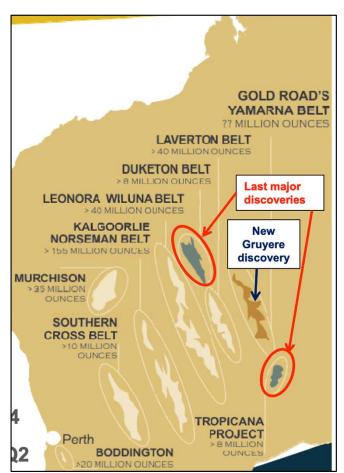
**FY19** 

**FY18** 

## ASX Peer #2 – Gold Road Resources Ltd (ASX: GOR)



## A billion-dollar company cornerstoned by controlling 50% of an entire gold belt:



- ♦ 6 years development since discovery in 2013 (50% JV with Goldfields Ltd)
- ❖ First gold pour in June 2019 with annual production targeting ~300Kozpa (2019-2020 target)
  - Market Capitalization (April 9th 2020): ~A\$1.3B (~US\$820mil)
- Ongoing Organic Growth



Figure source: Gold Road 2014 September Investor Presentation

## **2020 Growth Catalysts**



## **Upcoming Milestones:**

- Completion of tenders for plant construction and mining
- Final MR83 amendment approval
- Complete Project Finance;
- Plant Construction
- Increase Reserve

## Why Invest Theta Gold:

- Discovery cost less than 1% (US\$12/oz) of current gold price
- Production costs (AISC) will be less than half current gold price
- Multi Million Ounce Goldfield



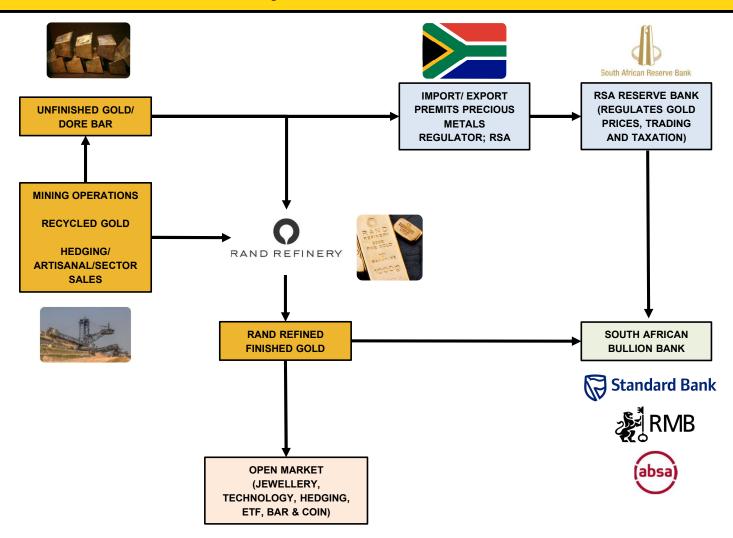
# **Appendices**





## **Mature And Developed Gold Market**







Largest refinery in Africa.

Registered under the London Bullion Market Association who sets the refining standards.

Used by many South African gold operations including Harmony, Sibanye-Stillwater, AngloGold Ashanti, Gold Fields and DRD Gold.

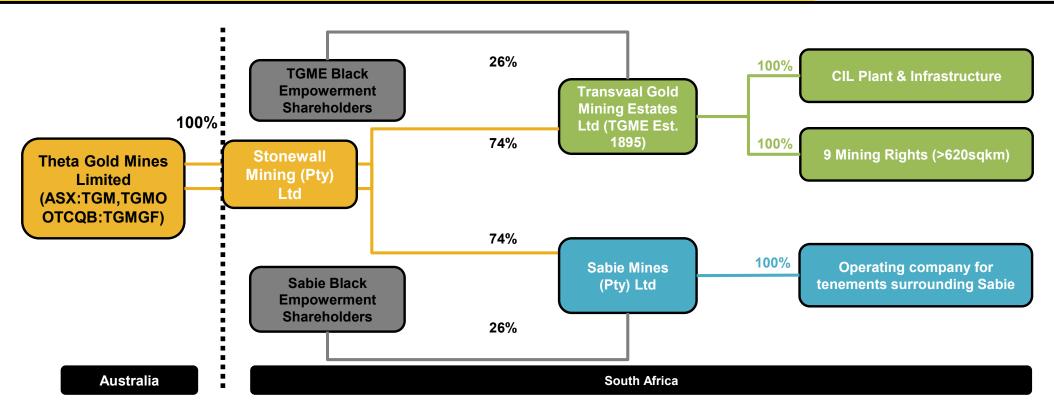
Rand Refinery also markets and sells the finished gold, and has custody of gold for South African bullion banks.

Provides a variety of ancillary services, including:

- 24-hour turnaround of assaying, payment in USD and/or Rand,
- state-of-the-art vaulting, and
- international logistics services.

## **Corporate Structure**





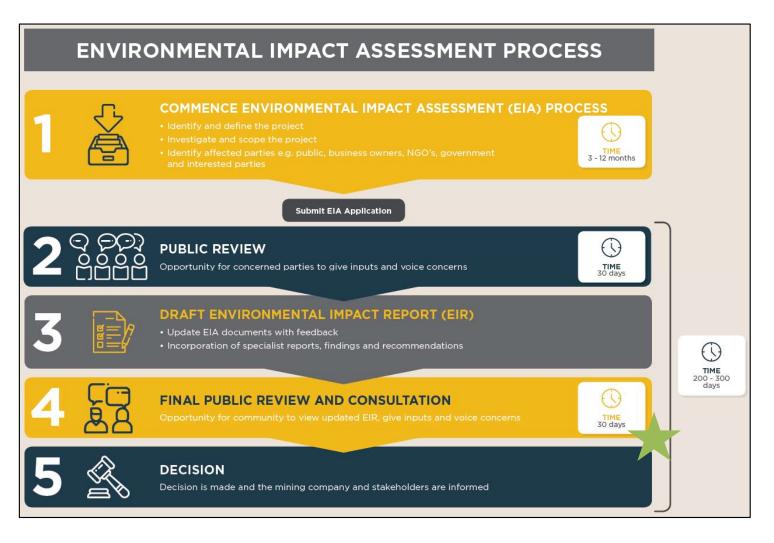
The Black Economic Empowerment ("BEE") shareholding in general comprise of:

- Employees Trust (Employee/labour Incentives),
- Landholders.
- Local entrepreneurs

The BEE shareholding is not a free-carry interest, it is a contributing equity interest (BEE structure can be read from page 17 of the Company's Annual Report 2018 released on 1st October 2018). 19

## **MR83 Environmental Impact Assessment Process**





- Environmental Impact Study (EIS) for Mining Right 83 (The amendment for MR83 from underground to open pit) "Starter Theta Open-pit Project" submitted in early February for approval by the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE). Decision expected by DMRE mid Q2/Q3 2020.
- The permitting process is ongoing until Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE) make final decision.
- In South Africa engagement is required with all stake holders and DMRE will make independent assessment based on EIS and stake holders views.
- Post DMRE Approval, there is a 20 working day appeal window to Interested and affected parties

## **Resources Tables**



Combined Mineral Resources as at 16 May 2019

Mineral Resource Classification	Type of Operation	Tonnage	Gold Grade	Gold Content	
Classification		Mt	g/t	Kg	koz
Measured	Underground	0.091	5.37	489	15.7
Total Measured		0.091	5.37	489	15.7
	Underground	4.774	6.21	29,661	953.7
Indicated	Open Pit	7.161	2.11	15,091	485.2
	Tailings	5.244	0.83	4,373	140.6
Total Indicated	Total Indicated		2.86	49,126	1,579.4
	Underground	21.452	5.22	111,880	3,597.0
lofowed	Open pit	5.922	4.35	25,730	827.3
Inferred	Tailings	0.023	0.57	13	0.40
	Rock Dump	0.121	1.64	199	6.40
Total Inferred		27.518	5.01	137,823	4,431.0
Grand Total		44.788	4.18	187,438	6,026.2

#### Notes:

- Columns may not add up due to rounding.
- Gold price used for the cut-off calculations is USD1,500/oz.
- UG Mineral Resources are reported at a cut-off of 160 cm.g/t, open pit at 0.5 g/t and 0.35 g/t, tailings and rock dumps at 0.35 g/t.
- Fault losses of 5% for Measured and Indicated, 10% for Inferred Mineral Resources.
- Mineral Resources are stated as inclusive of Ore Reserves.
- Mineral Resources are reported as total Mineral Resources and are not attributed.

## **Resources Tables**



#### Total Theta Project - Mineral Resources, 16 May 2019

Mineral Resource	Open Pit Mine	Reef	Reef Grade	Reef Width	Content	Reef Tonnes	Au Co	ntent
Classification			g/t	cm	cmgt	Mt	Kg	koz
	Theta & Browns Hill	Shale	1.02	200	204	0.439	402	12.9
	Theta & Browns Hill	Bevetts	1.10	221	244	0.891	886	28.5
	Theta & Browns Hill	Upper Theta	2.41	100	241	0.724	1,568	50.4
	Theta & Browns Hill	Lower Theta	3.70	100	370	0.888	2,956	95.0
Indicated	Theta & Browns Hill	Beta	2.49	100	249	0.383	859	27.6
	Columbia Hill	Bevetts	2.89	114	330	0.105	303	9.7
	Columbia Hill	Upper Rho	2.43	393	956	0.808	1,965	63.2
	Columbia Hill	Lower Rho	2.51	550	1381	0.815	2,047	65.8
	Columbia Hill	Upper Theta	1.08	114	123	0.158	171	5.5
Total Indicated			2.14	246	526	5.211	11,157	358.7

Mineral Resource	Open Pit Mine	Reef	Reef Grade	Reef Width	Content	Reef Tonnes	Au Co	ntent
Classification			g/t	cm	cmgt	Mt	Kg	koz
	Theta & Browns Hill	Shale	1.11	216	240	0.703	666	21.4
	Theta & Browns Hill	Bevetts	1.07	213	227	0.648	589	19.0
Inferred	Theta & Browns Hill	Upper Theta	1.86	100	186	1.071	1,692	54.4
Interred	Theta & Browns Hill	Lower Theta	8.11	100	811	1.643	11,329	364.3
	Theta & Browns Hill	Beta	2.23	100	223	0.748	1,417	45.6
	Columbia Hill	Upper Rho	5.13	106	544	0.099	507	16.3
Total Inferred		3.30	132	434	4.912	16,202	520.9	

Mineral Resource	Open Pit Mine	Reef	Reef Grade	Reef Width	Content	Reef Tonnes	Au Co	ntent
Classification			g/t	cm	cmgt	Mt	Kg	koz
Indicated	Total Theta Project	All	2.14	246	526	5.2	11,157	358.7
Inferred	Total Theta Project	All	3.30	132	435	4.9	16,202	520.9
Total Indicated and Inferred			2.70	190	514	10.1	27,359	879.6

#### Notes:

- Theta Project (Theta Hill, Browns Hill and Iota) cut-off is 0.35 g/t.
- The gold price used for the cutoff calculations is USD 1,500 / oz.
- Geological losses applied are 10% for inferred and 5% for Indicated and Measured.
- Theta Hill and Browns Hill -Upper Theta Reef, Lower Theta Reef and Beta Reef are diluted grades over 100cm.
- Historical mine voids have been depleted from the Mineral Resource.
- The inferred Mineral Resources have a high degree of uncertainty and it should not be assumed that all or a portion thereof will be converted to Ore Reserves.
- Mineral Resources fall within the mining right MR83 and MR341.

## **Resources Tables**



#### Theta Project Ore Reserves for MR83 only, 16 May 2019 (The Ore Reserves exclude Inferred Mineral Resources).

Mineral Resource	D:4	Grade	Reef Tonnes	Au Content		
Category in LoM Plan	Pit	g/t	kt	kg	oz	
Probable	Browns Hill	3.24	564	1,826	58,699	
Probable	lota	2.54	1,253	3,189	102,513	
Probable	Theta Hill	2.76	493	1,362	43,798	
Total		2.76	2,310	6,377	205,010	

#### Notes:

- Totals in the Ore Reserve may not add-up due to rounding.
- Mineral Resources are for MR83 only and excludes MR341.
- No Inferred Mineral Resources are included in the Ore Reserve.



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