



# **Annual Results Conference Call and Investor Update 28 August 2015**

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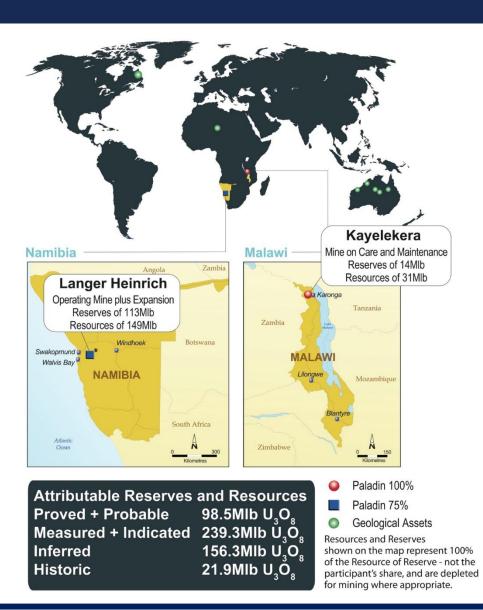
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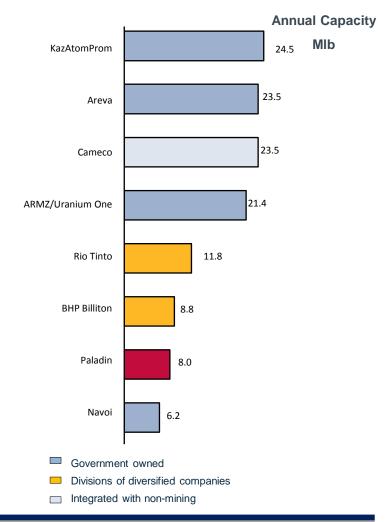
PROVIDES BEST SENIOR LEVERAGE TO URANIUM UPSIDE

### Global Uranium Leader





## Paladin is the world's only independent pure play uranium miner



# Langer Heinrich A Strategic Tier One Mine



Lowest cost open pit uranium mine in the world

**US\$1.4Bn** 

Cumulative sales revenue

+20 Year Mine Life<sup>1</sup>

**31.6Mlbs** 

Cumulative production

<sup>1</sup> At current processing rates



## Key Achievements for FY2015



#### **Production 5.037Mlbs**

Recovery 87.6%

**US\$37.0/lb ASP** 

3.4% above average spot

C1 Cash Cost US\$29/lb

US\$26.03/lb June Quarter 2015

**US\$1.8M Gross Profit** 

US\$94.9M increase in cash on hand to US\$183.7M

- ✓ Bicarbonate Recovery Plant (BRP) implemented and operating 118% of design¹
- ✓ Completion of 25% equity sale in LHM to CNNC for US\$190M
- √ 15% strategic investment by HOPU
- √ 2020 CB Issue and repayment of 2015 CB

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on Q4, the first full quarter of production

### FY2015 Profit & Loss





## Sales revenue US\$198.6M

5.367Mlb sold at average realised price of US\$37.0/lb



# **Gross Profit US\$1.8M**

Turnaround from FY2014 Gross Loss of US\$65.1M



# Impairments of US\$193.1M (after tax)

US\$180.8M write down of Queensland exploration assets



# Finance costs US\$57.0M



**Down 12%** 

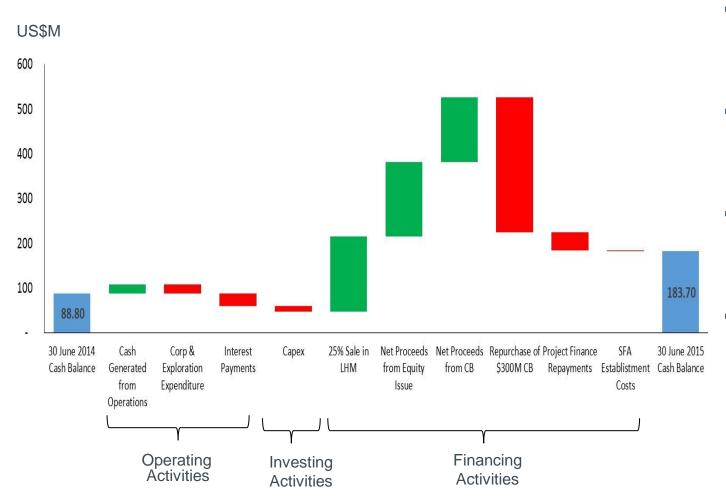
Admin, marketing and non-production costs of US\$19.3M



Exploration expenditure US\$5.7M

### FY2015 Cash Flow





- Cash and cash equivalents of US\$183.7M
- Cash outflow from operating activities of US\$24.7M
- Cash outflow from investing activities of US\$15.6M
- Cash inflow from financing activities of **US\$137.6M**

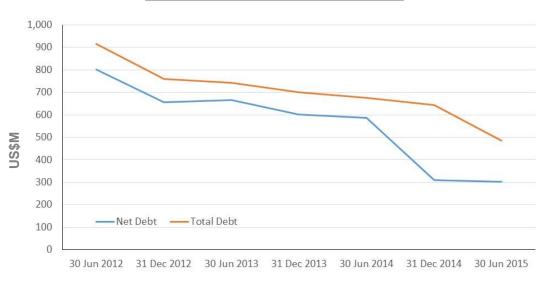
## Capital Management



#### Total debt reduction<sup>1</sup>

- US\$429.6M since June 2012
- US\$189.9M during FY2015
- Next maturity is Q4 FY2017
- Outlook for improved operating cash flows
- Strategic initiatives to be considered

#### **Debt Reduction FY2012 to FY2015**

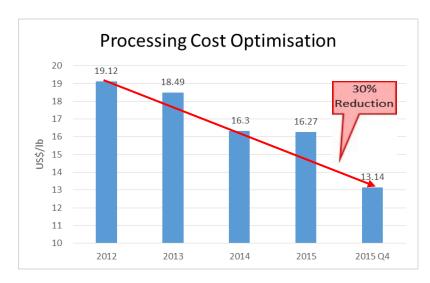


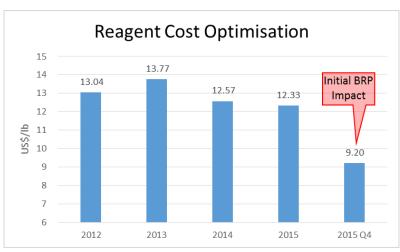
Breakdown of Key Debt Instruments <sup>1</sup>	US\$M
LHM Syndicated Facility Agreement	61
Convertible Bonds due April 2017	274
Convertible Bonds due March 2020	150
Total Debt	485

<sup>1</sup>Reductions based on face value of debt

## Optimisation a Core Competency







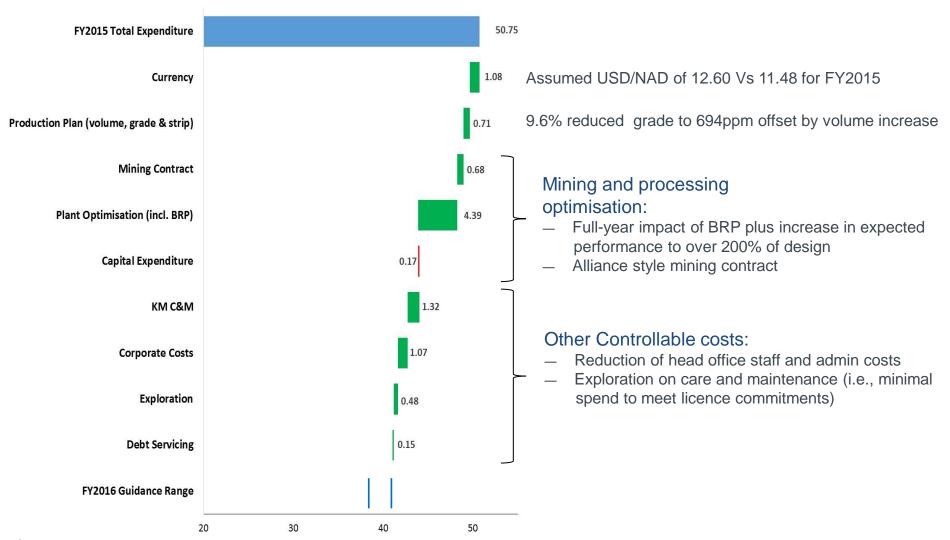
- Paladin maintains a world class technical services team focused on cash flow optimisation
- FY2015 key project delivered was BRP
  - ✓ Capital Cost of US\$6.8M
  - ✓ 93% utilisation in first full quarter of operation – likely to achieve >95%
  - Recovery of sodium bicarbonate
     118% of design by end of first
     quarter
  - ✓ Total direct cost saving projected to be >US\$3/lb (>US\$15Mpa)
  - ✓ Additional secondary benefits

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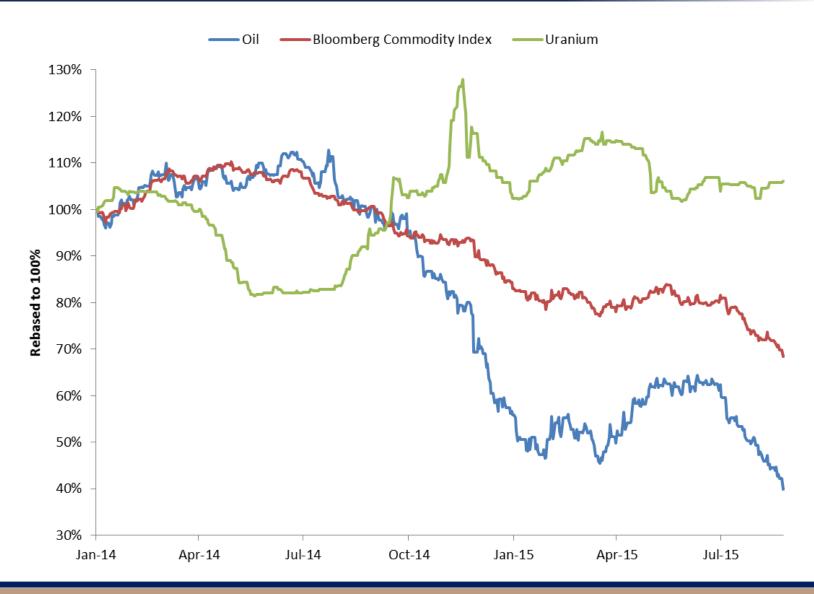
All in total expenditure including annualised impact and optimisation initiatives<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup>Includes: Operating cash flows; investing cash flows; and debt servicing (including principal and interest payments on the LHM syndicated facility agreement)

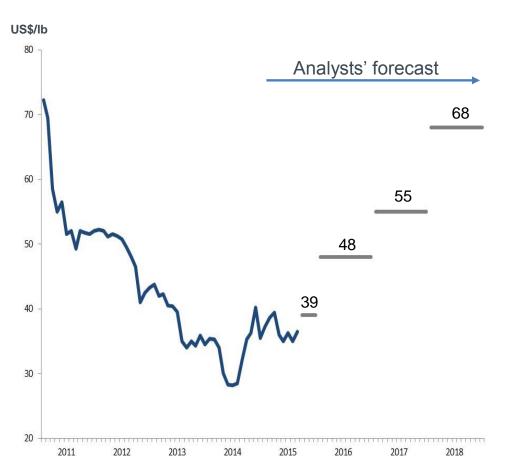
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# Best Leverage to Uranium Upside Uranium has a positive outlook and Paladin has leverage





Source: TradeTech for historical spot. Analysts' forecast is based on average of 16 analyst forecasts as shown in latest available reports (analysts include: BAML; BMO; Cantor; CIBC; CIMB; Comark; CS; Dundee; JPM; Raymond James; RBC; RFC Ambrian; Salman; Scotiabank; TD; and UBS).

#### Current situation is positive

- Japan restart commenced 10
   August
- 2017 will see record nuclear power generation
- 65 reactors under construction59% in Asia
- Mined supply reduced 10% in 2014
- Higher prices are needed

#### Paladin is leveraged

- Publicly-listed uranium pure play exposure
- FY2016 85% spot-related exposure
- FY2017 & FY2018 almost 100% spot related

## Strategy



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- Maximise LHM operating cash flows through optimisation initiatives that preserve the integrity of the long-term life of mine plan
- 2. Maintain KM and exploration on a "minimal expenditure, care and maintenance basis"
- 3. Minimise corporate and administrative costs
- 4. Consider strategic initiatives with respect to partnerships, strategic investment, funding and corporate transactions

### FY2016 Guidance



### 5.0 - 5.4Mlbs Production

## US\$4/lb

ASP Premium to spot

### LHM C1 US\$25-27/lb

7-14% lower than FY2015

### **US\$19M**

Corporate costs, KM care and maintenance and exploration – US\$14M lower than FY2015

# **US\$6M One-off Restructuring Charges**

In Q1 FY2016

Sales delivery timing, mine plan and restructuring costs forecast group cash balance US\$120-130M 30 September 2015 before rebuilding to finish neutral for FY2016



# **Appendix**

## Langer Heinrich Project Update



#### Production FY2015

- 5.037Mlb
- recovery 87.6%
- Bicarbonate Recovery Project (BRP) commenced April 2015 operating 120% of design
  - positive change to plant performance immediate
  - significant reduction in reagent usage
  - positive impacts in other areas of the plant provide consequential benefits
- C1 Cost US\$29.0/lb

	Actual FY2015	Actual Jun'15 Qtr
Ore processed	3.4Mt	0.89Mt
Ore feed grade	768ppm	778ppm
Recovery	87.6%	87.8%
U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> production	5.04Mlb	1.34Mlb

#### C1 Cost being reduced in FY2016

C1 cash cost \$25-27/lb

# Optimisation and innovation for further unit cost reduction

- further benefits from the BRP project expected
- other focal areas:
  - process recovery
  - operator training and operating systems
  - process plant utilisation





## Pipeline Projects



#### Kayelekera Mine

- C&M routines established and costs coming down
- restart feasibility study near completion
- discharge of water continued successfully during the year

### Michelin Deposit Canada

- successfully upgraded Michelin deposit Measured & Indicated mineral resource by 25% to 84Mlb U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>, with 23Mlb U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> remaining in Inferred
   historic NROP (Non Resident Ownership Policy)
- historic NROP (Non Resident Ownership Policy) exemption granted to Paladin to majority own and develop operation at Michelin

### Manyingee WA

- advancing toward Field Leach Trial (FLT)
- significant project enhancement with new acquisition of Carley Bore





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