

# 17th PAPUA NEW GUINEA RESOURCES & ENERGY INVESTMENT CONFERENCE SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA 12th December 2023



## INDUSTRY & REGULATORS UPDATES Regulators Outlook - Minerals





## Promoter and Regulator - Mining Industry





**Custodian** of the mineral resources of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea

**Promoter** of mineral exploration and development

**Regulator** of the mineral exploration and mining industry





## Regulatory Framework



- 1. A sound regulatory framework is one that attempts to cover entire the Mining Life Cycle and without being prescriptive.
- 2. Are the existing government policies, legislation and regulations governing mineral exploration, development, mining and mine closure adequate?
- 3. Are they responsive to changing global landscape, that demands greater responsibility to **Environment Social Governance (ESG)**, climate change and license to operate.





## Permitting of three Large-Scale Projects



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- Benefits: 51% State Equity including 10% Landowners + 5% Enga Provincial Government (EPG)
- Resettlement, **Social Licence fee**, 3% royalty
- Re-opening anticipated by Q4/2023



#### WAFI- GOLPU PERMITTING

- 19 million ounces gold and 8.6Mt copper resource; 200,000 ounces gold & 200-300,000 tons copper per annum;
- Environment Permit was Issued on December 18, 2020;
- Negotiations for Mining Development Contract in final stages; and
- Special Mining Lease Application before Mining Advisory Council Q4/2022 Permitting



#### FRIEDA RIVER PERMITTING

- Contained metals 12 Mt Copper and 19 Million ounces Gold
- US\$ 6 billion CAPEX to commercial production
- 4 inter-related entities, Infrastructure, power generation & reticulation, mining





## New Porgera mine



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✓ Q4/2023 - PROCESSING OF CONSENT COMPENSATION AGREEMENT

## Q1/Q2 – 2024 COMPLETION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT (CDA)

- Position Papers received
- One to one consultation with State Team had commenced;
- Stakeholders final Consultations and signing of CDA

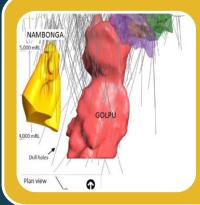
Q1 2025 - REVIEW OF CONSENT COMPENSATION AGREEMENT

Q1 2026 - RESETTLEMENT/RELOCATION PLAN AND DELIVERY OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS



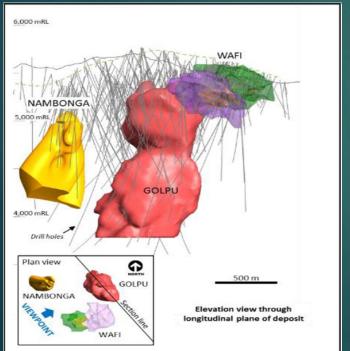


## Wafi-Golpu Project



#### WAFI- GOLPU PERMITTING

- 19 million ounces gold and 8.6 Mt copper resource; average of 200,000 ounces gold & 200-300,000 tons copper per annum;
- Environment Permit was Issued on 18th December 2020;
- First Block-cave underground mine development for bulk mining in PNG
- US\$5.8 total CAPEX + US\$2.8 billion CAPEX to commercial production



- Q1/2024 SIGNING OF MINING DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT
- Q2/2024 NEGOTIATION & SIGNING OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT
- Q2/2024 GRANT OF SPECIAL MINING LEASE
- Q4/2024 COMMENCEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION?





### Wafi-Golpu - Project Timeline







## Frieda River Project



#### FRIEDA RIVER PERMITTING

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- US\$ 6 billion CAPEX to commercial production
- 4 interdependent components:
- Frieda River Copper-Gold Project (FRCGP),
- 2) Frieda River Hydro-power Electric Project (FRHEP),
- 3) Sepik Infrastructure Project (SIP) and
- 4) Sepik Power Grid Project (SPGP);





## Frieda River Project



#### FRIEDA RIVER PERMITTING



Q1 2024 - COMPLETION OF TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT

√ Peer Review of Integrated Storage dam facility design

√Technical Assessment in progress

Q3/2024 MINING DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT NEGOTIATION

Q4 /2024 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGREEEMENT

Q1/2025 GRANT OF SPECIAL MINING LEASE

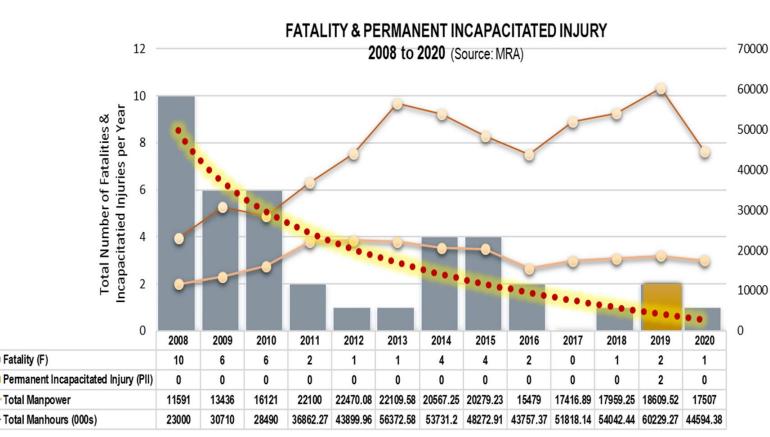




## Regulatory Function

#### SAFETY RECORDS

Mining (Safety) Act 1977: This Act focuses on the safety aspects of mining operations. It sets standards for the safety of workers and the public and includes provisions for mine inspections and accident reporting.



Aspua New Guines



#### Ok Tedi -West Wall Collapse

#### WEST WALL FAILURE



#### POST - WEST WALL FAILURE



West wall failure re-opened in 2019 after 2 years of closure of the central pit.





#### Absence of Guidelines – Woodlark Story

#### **Pre- MRA Construction**









## Villagers reject new 'homes'

#### Post - MRA Intervention



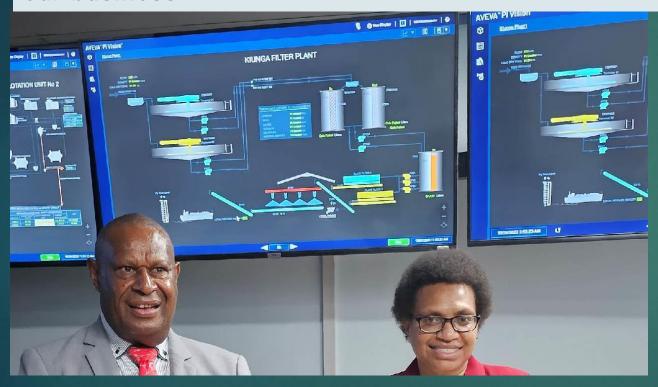






#### PNG Live Mineral Production Data Repository Hub

Real-time monitoring of mineral production from crushing, mill throughput, mineral recoveries, tailings and volume of shipment. Improving transparency and accountability in our business.



- √ 2020 Mining (Amendment) Act
- ✓ 2021-2022 Consultations with PNGCMP & Tenement Holders
- √ 2021 Ok Tedi commissioned
- ✓ 2022 Simberi and Lihir, Ramu and Kainantu
- 2024 Hidden Valley & Porgera

Ability to monitor recoveries and metal production in real time from all our operating mines.





## Challenges







Challenges in State delivering MoA (CDA) obligations - Shift Social Licence obligations to the project.



Minor Amendments to accommodate Gaps in law – such as resettlement and relocation of landholders.





