

# Mining Briefs: Pantoro, Blackstone and more

In today's *Mining Briefs*: Updates from Pantoro, Blackstone, Oklo, Vital, QMines, Bulletin, and Maximus.



*Blackstone is hoping to develop its project in Vietnam*

## Finance > Capital-markets

Comments

Share

**Haydn Black**

Reporter

Drilling below **Pantoro's** Wedgetail underground mine, near Halls Creek, WA, has delivered more high-grade intersections to some 120m below the deepest portions of the mine, such as 6.34m at 29.2 grams per tonne, 1.45m at 61gpt, and 3.4m at 32gpt.

The company said the mineralisation has been intersected in line with the current interpretation of the geology and structure. Wedgetail remains open at depth and along strike.

**Blackstone Minerals** has approved construction of the first phase of pilot plant work for its planned Ta Khoa refinery in Vietnam and undertaking a definitive feasibility study.

The first phase of piloting will process 20 kilograms per hour of nickel concentrate feed and will produce approximately 1.75kg/hr of various nickel-cobalt-manganese graded products.

The plant is expected to fire up in early 2022.

Testing at **Oklo Resources'** 668,500oz Seko resource, within the Dandoko project, Mali, has shown further growth with step-out drilling extending the SK1-Koko mineralised trend by 500m to over 3.4km with significant intervals of near surface gold mineralisation intersected south of Koko, such as 18m at 2gpt from 9m, including 3m at 11gpt; and 12m at 2.3gpt from 48m, ending in mineralisation, including 3m at 5.1gpt.

Additionally, shallow reconnaissance drilling a further 750m to the south returned 3m at 5.45gpt gold from 6m, and there have been encouraging results from Selingouma, such as 3m at 4.6gpt from 12m.

**Vital Metals** has intersected high-grade rare earths in its drilling of Tardiff Zones, including outside its existing resource at Nechalacho, Canada, as it works to define a stage two mine plan, with all 10 holes intersecting mineralisation grading above 2% total rare earth oxides

Drilling of Tardiff Zone 2 intersected the REEs within 75m from surface, with the best results in the west, including 25m at 3% TREO and 19m at 2% TREO, while work in Zone 4 confirmed prior drilling with 51m at 2.1% and 37m at 1.96%.

Tardiff remains open in all zones.

A review of historical soil data has defined a number of lookalikes to **QMiner's** Mt Chalmers copper-zinc deposit within the same Berserker Beds that host the historical mining operation, Queensland.

The new prospects, within the well-documented system, are described as similar in scale and tenor to the distinctive geochemical signature of the Mt Chalmers VHMS deposit, particularly the Tracker T1, T2 and T3 copper soil anomalies. VHMS deposits typically cluster.

**Bulletin Resources** has been paid a net A\$599,872 in royalty payments from the Geko mine, near Coolgardie in Western Australia. It has a 10% royalty over the first 25,000oz, 4% over the next 60,000oz, and 2% of all production above 85,039oz.

It brings Bulletin's income from the gold mine so far to \$2.4 million.

Finally, **Maximus Resources** has been paid \$390,000 following an insurance claim over a plant and equipment failure at its since-sold Burbanks mill, WA, in early 2019.



**Aspermont**

*Information for Industry*

Copyright © 2000-2021 Aspermont Ltd. All rights reserved. Aspermont Limited (ABN 66 000 375 048), PO Box 78, Leederville, Western Australia 6902